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**Councillors: Geoff Bell, Paul Crompton, Gwyneth Derbyshire, Jeanette Hardman,  
Simon Hughes, Trevor Massey, Bill Chorlton**

**You are summoned to attend the Parish Council Meeting on  
Monday 19 February 2024, 7.30pm at Holmes Chapel Community Centre**

**If members of the public are present, they may make representations, answer  
questions and give evidence at the beginning of Part 1 in respect of the business on  
the agenda**

<b>AGENDA</b>	
<b><u>Declarations of Interest</u></b>	Members are encouraged to declare pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests as soon as they are aware
<b>Part 1- Public and Press present</b>	The Chairman will invite members of the public to make representations, answer questions and give evidence in respect of the business on the agenda
<b>1) Apologies</b>	To receive apologies for any absences
<b>For Decision</b>	
<b>2) Minutes</b>	To approve the 15 January 2024 draft minutes
<b>3) Accounts</b>	<p><b>Finances as of 31 January 2024:</b></p> <p>Account Balance: <b>£50,372.65</b></p> <p><b>Income since 31 December:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• £200 – CWT for wildflower seed harvesting</li> </ul> <p><b>Payments to note since 31 December 2023:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• £90.00 – Councillor and Clerk Training</li> <li>• £49.35 – NEST Clerk Pension</li> <li>• £224.00 – A G Dale Hedge Trimming</li> <li>• £54.00 – Parish Online subscription renewal</li> <li>• £66.00 TCS Management Payroll Services</li> <li>• £2,832.00 – Equator, Rhead’s Meadows mowing and weeding</li> <li>• £360.00 – Equator, Himalayan Balsam removal at Blackfirs Wood</li> <li>• £748.80 – Scribe onboarding fee and annual subscription</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• £39.20 – Cllr J Hardman NALC training</li> <li>• £141.00 – HMRC for PAYE</li> <li>• £131.99 – Parish Legal Textbook ‘Arnold Baker’</li> <li>• £569.42 – Clerk Salary</li> </ul> <p><b>Payments to approve:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• £1093.20 - Crewe Colour Printers for Newsletter</li> </ul>
<b>Discussion/Decision</b>	
<b>4) Planning Applications</b>	<p><b>24/0244C</b> 2 Chelford Road, approval on all matters reserved for 3 dwellings on application 20/5643C <b>Extension granted til 20 February</b></p> <p><b>24/0174C</b> 40 Blackfirs Lane, change of use to provide a garden <b>Extension Granted til 20 February</b></p> <p><b>23/4512C</b> Ivy Cottage, Back Lane, demolition, relocation and change of use to equine purposes plus Pilates studio <b>Extension granted til 20 February</b></p> <p><b>23/1928W</b> Sibelco – new quarry at Somerford Farm <b>Extension Requested</b></p>
<b>5) Cheshire East Ward Councillor report</b>	To receive a report from Cllr John Wray
<b>6) Policies for review</b>	To review the Council’s Financial Regulations
<b>7) Somerford Chapel support</b>	To discuss requests for financial support from the Chapel and how the Council might respond.
<b>8) Rhead’s Meadows</b>	<p>Updates on any recent developments or issues for discussion and decision, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maintenance plans</li> <li>• Purchase of new/replacement tree whips</li> <li>• Installation of new bench</li> </ul>
<b>9) Blackfirs Wood</b>	<p>Updates on any recent developments or issues for discussion including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Possible Tree Survey</li> </ul>
<b>10) Highways</b>	To discuss any Highways issues of concern

<b>11) Housing Developments</b>	To update the meeting on housing developments within the parish.
<b>12) Councillor Vacancy</b>	To discuss whether to advertise current vacancies and seek to co-opt more candidates.
<b>13) Chairman and Members' Reports</b>	Councillors will report on follow up to items discussed at the last meeting, or matters that have arisen since
<b>14) Clerk's Report</b>	The Clerk will report on any follow up to items discussed at the last meeting or matters that have arisen since.

*Carlton Evans, Clerk of the Council: **Next meeting: 18 March 2024***