MINUTES OF THE POTT SHRIGLEY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON Monday 5th October 2026 at 8pm

PRESENT

Chair: Cllr. D Basford (Chair)

Councillors: P Boulton
M Wray
J Hadfield
A Greenwood
K Chong (Vice chair)
R Lancaster
J Saunders (CEC)

Parish Clerk: J Deahl

OBSERVERS: Two parishioners were in attendance

APOLOGIES

1. **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**
   The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 7th September 2026 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

2. **MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
   Members are asked to declare any disclosable pecuniary, personal or prejudicial interests they may have in relation to items on the agenda for the meeting. No interests were declared

3. **ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION BY WARD COUNCILLORS**
   - The Chair of the Village Hall updated Councillors on continuing incidents with lorries hitting the School/Village Hall building, including the latest which has been reported to the police, as well as to Jonathan Copnall at Cheshire East Council (CEC). Cllr. Saunders updated that CEC are proposing to put up a height restriction warning sign and add road markings to guide lorries. Designs have been sent by Jonathan Copnall (CEC Highways), and costings are being gathered. The timing for the work is TBC. Cllr. Saunders continues to chase this.
   - Bakestonedale Road repairs and co-ordination with road closure for wall repairs. This work has now been postponed until Feb 27.
   - Cllr. Saunders confirmed that the funding of a new fingerpost direction sign at Norman's Hall bend (£1500-2k estimate) will be paid for from the Ward Councillor budget. She will contact CEC Highways.
   - Ward Councillors had no information regards the new cameras on Long Lane, Shrigley Road and Sugar Lane, and the cameras have now vanished. Clerk is awaiting response from Simon Barker at CEC Traffic.
   - **ACTION: Clerk to circulate the designs sent by Jonathan Copnall to the Council.**

4. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

   4.1. Highways

   - **SR510043006:** Bakestonedale Road resurfacing work. (*various reports 2026*). Clerk had requested to co-ordinate resurfacing with the scheduled road closure in September for the 'Brickworks Culvert' wall repair. However, the wall repair has now been postponed to February

27'. Concerns escalated to Tim Roca. CEC's Andy Simpson has responded to Tim Roca. Clerk awaits official response from Mr Roca. Joyce Burton and Cllr. Hadfield have added a link to TRACE to the website to encourage individuals to report highways issues themselves.

- **SR510034984:** Temporary lights and wall repairs at Bakestonedale Rd. (*Originally reported 26 May*). See Bakestonedale Road agenda item. It is clarified that the definition of dry-stone wall repairs that fall to CEC Highways, is that where the wall "*substantially"* supports the road and would usually include a parapet of over 900mm. Repairs outside this definition are down to landowners. If those walls present an immediate safety risk, and CEC has to repair, it would seek to recover the costs from landowner.

- **SR510037980:** Originally under **SR510034986:** (Chevrons "a job has been raised dependent on weather and budget availability"), **SR510011724:** (Fingerpost - "job completed"), and **SR510036664:** (Street sign - "work completed")
  Chased CEC for a list of hardware removed with the chevron, in order to trace the missing directions sign. The items were in place on 3rd June. Their absence noticed on 11th. Andy Simpson (CEC) confirms Highways did not take the fingerpost and a list is not available. The chevron is not deemed safety critical, so is not on the list for replacement now. Ward Councillors agreed they will fund the new fingerpost with an estimated cost of £1500-2k.
  ACTION: Cllr. Saunders to chase costing and sourcing a new fingerpost.

- **Enquiry number 3476412**. New and improved signage on Brookbank Bend.
  Work may be on the list for 2027. Cllr. Lancaster requested item be kept on the agenda.

- **POYNTON RELIEF ROAD**
  The new cameras reported by Cllr. Chong on Long Lane, Shrigley Road and Sugar Lane, which she understands are to monitor traffic flow, have now disappeared. CEC Highways and Ward Councillors had no knowledge. Clerk is awaiting response from Simon Barker in the CEC traffic team.

5. ADLINGTON NEW TOWN

Cllr. Boulton updated on a meeting he attended on 8th September. There is continued concern that Adlington remains on the New Town list, as well as concern over the Belport-led Adlington Park proposed development of 1200+ homes. SANT confirmed their objection to Adlington Park, and will continue to monitor both situations. It was decided the Task and Finish Group should continue to exist until an outcome is decided on Adlington New Town, but the group will be suspended. A new 'Cluster Group' is proposed which will allow Parish and Town Council clerks and representatives to come together to discuss relevant issues including Adlington Park and the Peak Cluster Pipeline. It was unanimously agreed that Pott Shrigley Parish Council should be part of the new Cluster Group. The terms of reference circulated by the Cluster Group were unanimously agreed by the Council.
ACTION: Clerk to formally request for Pott Shrigley Parish Council to be part of Cluster Group, and agree on the Council's behalf to the Terms of Reference. Clerk to attend the upcoming initial Teams meeting on 6th October.

6. PEAK PARK DRAFT LOCAL PLAN

The Council registered and responded to the Peak Park Draft Local Plan consultation with the wording *"the Council is not in a position to be able to say whether the Draft Local Plan is legally compliant and sound or not - (as set out in the National Planning Policy Framework"*. Also included was Cllr. Boulton's report which includes relevant queries and observations, and the previous parish statement.

7. PEAK CLUSTER PIPELINE

Cllr. Wray and Cllr. Chong updated and circulated a map. The route has changed and now avoids Pott Shrigley, going north round Lyme Park and 100m rather than 300m wide. Cllr. Wray made a personal representation to the consultation. Cllr. Boulton reiterated local concern. The April minutes confirm a report registering the Council's formal opposition to the scheme was sent. The pipeline is on the agenda for a CEC meeting on 14th October. There is also a protest outside No 10 North on 16th October.

8. DEFIBRILLATORS

Gareth Winstanley has bought a new battery for the Green Chapel location. Cost £279 including VAT. It was previously agreed to pay this and Mr Winstanley has been reimbursed. The Council has received a letter from a parishioner asking for the defibrillator to be removed.

ACTION: Clerk to write to the parishioner explaining that the Methodist Church is happy for the defibrillator to remain in place, and therefore the Council sees no need to relocate the device. If the new owners of the chapel request it be moved the Council will of course oblige.

9. GIFTS AND HOSPITALITY FROM CHALC

The Clerk has confirmed with ChALC that an annual return is only required if gifts etc are received or rejected.

10. COUNCILLORS ADDRESSES

Joyce Burton has updated the website to remove Councillors addresses in the register of interests. The clerk has a full unredacted version.

11. EXCESSIVE VEHICLE NOISE AND ANTISOCIAL DRIVING PSPO

CEC has launched a consultation which will close on 14th October 2026. Details circulated to all.

ACTION: Councillors to send any thoughts to the clerk by midday on 14th October so a Parish response can be sent.

12. FINANCE

12.1. Financial Statement

NatWest Current Account	£ 6,797.18
Vernon Building Society Deposit Acc	£ 20,856.28
Petty Cash	£ 18.18
Total	**£ 27,671.64**

Income

CEC Precept	£ 2,650.00
HMRC VAT Refund	£ 69.40
Total	**£ 2719.40**

Accounts to Pay

Clerk's salary	£ 712.40
Clerk backpay	£ 22.88
Clerk's expenses	£ 30.00
Clerk's training	£ 35.00
GJ Winstanley (Defibrillator battery)	£ 239.00 (paid as agreed, inc. £39.83 VAT)

12.2. Vernon Building Society

Account transfer from Joyce Burton to the new clerk – Mrs Johanna Deahl - has completed. Current rate 1.6%. The best available rate is The Hampshire Trust Bank (HTB) Easy Access at 3.91% or One-year Fixed Rate at 4.36 %. HTB is due to start accepting new accounts imminently. An alternative was CCLA Local Authority Public Sector Deposit Fund at 3.77%. It was unanimously agreed to open the one-year fixed account at HTB as soon as it is available, and transfer all money from the Vernon.
ACTION: Clerk to chase HTB and open and transfer monies as soon as possible.

13.PLANNING

13.1. Applications

Pending

- **NP/CEC/0826/0845:** Location: Cophurst, Shrigley Road, Pott Shrigley (Sep 26). Listed Building consent - Low pressure abrasive paint removal from external brickwork.

- **NP/CEC/0826/0846:** Location: Cophurst, Shrigley Road, Pott Shrigley (Sep 26). Listed Building consent - Proposed internal renovation and services upgrade.

- **NP/CEC/0826/0847:** Location: Cophurst, Shrigley Road, Pott Shrigley (Sep 26). Listed Building consent - Proposed remedial works intended to arrest internal timber deterioration in the roof. The Council has sent in their support for all three Cophurst applications.

13.2. Enforcement

- **26/0064ENF Brookbank Farm, Shrigley Road:**
  Clerk has chased Charlotte Stacey at CEC. A phone update was received on 2nd October.
  1. The swimming pool requires planning permission as Permitted Development was previously lost. The owner has been asked to apply retrospectively.
  2. The floodlight's require planning permission unless the owner can show they've been up more than 10 years. The owner has been given the opportunity to provide evidence.
  3. The surface track is still being investigate to see if PP is required.

14.CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED BY THE CLERK

- Communications regarding the ongoing issues of lorries hitting or near hitting the school, including from Ward Councillors, Dave Garton - Chairman of the Pott Shrigley Village Hall Committee, CEC Highways Andrew Simpson and Tim Roca MP.
- Email from Theo James, CEC Structures and Bridges Team, advising the scheduled repair to Brickworks Culvert has been cancelled and the new road closure permit has not been granted until Feb 27. The work is anticipated to take 10 days. They also clarify that if they determine private landowner wall repairs are a safety risk, they will seek to recover the costs.
- Various correspondence regarding the defibrillator location at Green Chapel.
- Response from MP Tim Roca re Bakestonedale Road repairs:
  Dear Jo, As I'm sure the council is aware, I've raised this a number of times with CEC over the past 18 months, and I appreciate how frustrating it is for everyone that heading into winter we're still without a resurfacing date. I'll contact CEC and ask about the possibility of repairs being co-ordinated with the Brickwork's Culvert repairs, and the other key points you've raised.
- Invite to Cheshire East Bus Enhanced Partnership meeting on 19th November, 1330-1530.

- Invite to meeting with Cheshire Police Crime Commissioner Dan Price to discuss the last 12 months work. The meeting is 14th October 2026, 1800-1930 at CW4 8AA.
- Email from Break Free From CEC campaign lead with information. Circulated for info.
- Invitation received and declined for Chair to attend Bollington Town Council Civic Sunday Parade and Civic Service on Sunday 27th September. Cllr. Lancaster attended in personal capacity.

15.ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Cllr. Wray raised the CEC Satisfaction survey is live.
- Cllr. Boulton advised that he had written to CEC with dismay at their offer of a £60 incentive to encourage people to attend a public meeting, when it cannot fund basic signage in Pott Shrigley. Cllr. Saunders has forwarded this to Nick Mannion and a response is awaited.
- Cllr. Basford has purchased a tool from Toolstation to dig fence post holes for the Village Green costing £19.99 inc. reclaimable VAT of £3.99. The Council agreed to refund Cllr. Basford the £19.99.

16.PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- The Chair of the Village Hall advised that a roofing contractor will potentially be utilising fixed scaffolding for repairs to the building. Three-way traffic lights and a road closure would be required for approximately one week. Time TBC
- He also advised there was a position on the Village Hall Committee. The Parish Council appreciated the information but chose not to nominate anyone.
- A parishioner raised a loose manhole cover on Norman's Hall Bend which has been reported.

17.NEXT MEETING

The next Council meeting will take place at **8pm on Monday 2nd November 2026**.

The meeting closed at **21.39pm**