

Chelford Parish Council

Notice of Parish Council Meeting

Date: Thursday 14th August, 2025

Time: 7:30p.m.

Venue: The Hub, Elmstead Road, Chelford.



Dr. E. M. Maddock PSLCC, Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer.

Dated 9th August, 2025

In order to keep councillors and other members of the public safe, please do not attend the meeting if you are feeling unwell for any reason or if you have been in contact with anyone who has Covid, flu or Covid/flu symptoms.

All attendees will be expected to respect social distancing preferences of other attendees.

Agenda

To Members of Chelford Parish Council,

You are hereby summoned to attend the Parish Council Meeting, as shown above, to consider and determine the following business:

- 1. Apologies for absence**
- 2. Declarations of Interest**
 - (a) To receive Declarations of Interest in any items on the agenda.
- 3. Public Forum for Questions**
 - (a) To receive questions from members of the public.
 - (b) To receive a summary of issues raised via the Parish Council social media account.
- 4. Cheshire East Ward Member: Cllr. A. Harrison**
 - (a) To receive a report on items of interest to the Parish Council.
- 5. Minutes**
 - (a) To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held 10th July, 2025 as a correct record and approve signing by the Chairman.
- 6. Finance**
 - (a) To receive and consider the Financial Statement 2025/26 as at 14th August, 2025 (Appendix A)
 - (b) To note receipts as listed at Appendix B.
 - (c) To approve the payments listed at Appendix C.
 - (d) To confirm the transfer of £5,000 from the Business Reserve Account to the Liquidity Manager (95 day notice) Account.
 - (e) To approve the 2025 quotation for the annual cableway inspection in the sum of £975. (No change from 2024.)
 - (f) To receive and note the issue of the updated Local Government Pay scales 2025/26.
 - (g) To approve the updating of the standing order to Cheshire Pension Fund as follows:
 - i. Payment due September 2025: £446.68
 - ii. Payments due from October 2025 onwards: £396.98

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- (h) To receive updates relating to s.106 funds available to Chelford parish.

7. Planning & Licensing Matters

- (a) To receive and consider recent planning decisions issued by Cheshire East Council in respect of development within the Parish and any updates relating to outstanding applications. (Appendix D)
- (b) To consider the following planning applications:
 - i. 25/1234/FUL: Land off Knutsford Road, Knutsford Road, Chelford.
Construction of 20 dwellings and associated works.
[Additional documents submitted 30/07/25]
 - ii. 25/2475/ADV: Westminster House, Knutsford Road, Chelford. SK11 9AS
Advertisement consent for 1 No. hanging sign, 1 No. wall mounted sign and 1 No. fence mounted sign.
 - iii. 25/2476/HOUS: 24 Robin Lane, Chelford. SK11 9AZ
Erection of single storey extension to rear elevation, erection of two storey extension with porch to front elevation, widening of driveway and associated landscaping works.
 - iv. Any planning applications received following the issue of the agenda may be included for discussion if required.

8. Chelford Activity Park

- (a) To receive a summary of issues identified during routine inspections of the site.
- (b) To receive an update following the recent operational inspection of Chelford Activity Park.
- (c) To receive and consider updates relating to the delivery of the refurbishment work and associated phase one remedial work.
- (d) To receive and consider updates relating to proposed improvement work to the bike track.

9. Assets and Parish Council projects

- (a) To consider options for the future use of the red telephone kiosk near Chelford roundabout and options for the refurbishment of the kiosk.
- (b) To receive and consider a suggestion relating to future planter maintenance.
- (c) To note updates relating to other ongoing Parish Council projects. (Appendix E)

10. Highway matters

- (a) To receive new highway defects for attention from Members.
- (b) To receive updates relating to previously reported highway defects. (Appendix F)
- (c) To receive an update in respect of the yellow line review at Dixon Drive.
- (d) To receive and consider updates in respect of proposed village gateways within the Parish.
- (e) To receive and consider updates in respect of proposed safety monitoring at the zebra on Knutsford Road.
- (f) To note updates relating to other ongoing highway priority issues. (Appendix G)

11. Correspondence

- (a) To consider specific correspondence received by the Parish Council since the date of the last ordinary meeting and determine such actions as Members consider appropriate thereto:
 - i. Cheshire East Council: [Active Travel Consultation](#). (Closing date 31/08/25)
 - ii. Cheshire East Council: [New contract for the running of the Borough's Household Waste Recycling centres](#).

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- iii. Manchester Airport: [Community Flyer](#).
- iv. Cheshire East Council: Road closure notification for Holmes Chapel Road from St. John's Church to Chelford roundabout on 3rd September, 2025 to enable works by Electricity North West Ltd.
- v. Cheshire East Council: Road closure notification for Barclays Knutsford 10k on 28th September, 2025. The following roads will be closed from 07:30 to 13:00.
 - Pepper Street from junction with Common Lane to junction with Chelford Lane.
 - Full extents of: Stocks Lane; Grotto Lane; Mill Lane; Common Lane, Chelford Lane.

12. External Meetings

- (a) To receive a report from the Cheshire East Council Town and Parish Council Network meeting (15/07/25).

13. Community Matters

- (a) To receive a report from the Chelford Ward Policing Team on matters of interest or concern within the Parish.
- (b) To receive an update on community speed watch activities.
- (c) To receive and consider updates relating to broadband upgrades within Parish.
- (d) To receive and consider updates relating to activities to mark Railway 200 (200th anniversary of the railways).

14. Co-option of Parish Councillor

- (a) To consider the co-option of a new parish councillor.

15. Matters for inclusion on next/future meeting agenda

- (a) Review of council reserves.

16. Date of next meeting: Thursday 11th September, 2025 at 7:30p.m. at The Hub.

17. Exclusion of public and press

- (a) To consider passing a resolution under Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 to exclude the public and press from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it could involve the likely disclosure of exempt information.
- (b) Matters for consideration including those transferred from above items (as required).
 - i. To receive information from Chelford Parish Hall.
 - ii. To review matters relating to Parish Council land ownership.

E.M. Maddock

Dr. E. M. Maddock PSLCC, Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer. Dated 9th August, 2025

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Appendix A: Financial statement

Financial Statement – 2025/26 as at 14 th August 2025					
Actual 2024/25 £	Details	2025/26 Budget £	Actual to Jul. 25 £	Agenda Aug. 25 £	Budget Balance £
	Receipts				
50,949.00	Precept	53,587.00	26,793.50		26,793.50
0.00	Balances	5,000.00	0.00		0.00
3,951.23	Investment interest	0.00	545.58	548.35	0.00
0.00	Sale of assets	0.00	0.00		0.00
5,196.92	Grants, donations & refunds	0.00	0.00		0.00
1,768.75	Newsletter advertising	1,625.00	0.00		0.00
1,250.00	Unpresented cheque (2023/24)	0.00	0.00		0.00
2,009.79	VAT refund	0.00	4,265.44		846.97
65,125.69	Total receipts	60,212.00	31,604.52	548.35	27,640.47
	Payments				
15,263.88	Salary (Clerk)	16,931.00	5,697.12	1,654.38	9,579.50
891.45	National Insurance (Employer)	1,655.00	622.88	190.23	841.89
3,373.29	Pension contributions (Employer)	3,462.00	1,224.88	355.69	1,881.43
785.41	Allowances (Clerk)	1,000.00	299.86	75.60	624.54
227.34	Administration	350.00	0.00		350.00
0.00	Chairman/Member allowances	0.00	0.00		0.00
579.00	Audit fees (internal & external)	590.00	278.00		312.00
731.92	Insurance	1,000.00	0.00		1,000.00
70.00	Donations (inc. s.137)	370.00	1,088.22		-718.22
710.00	Grants	3,000.00	0.00		3,000.00
1,602.65	Newsletter	1,678.00	122.45		1,555.55
103.29	Street lighting	380.00	0.00		380.00
98.00	Website	146.00	39.00	8.50	98.50
293.00	Professional services	2,155.00	0.00		2,155.00
0.00	Advertising	100.00	0.00		100.00
636.72	Subscriptions/affiliation fees	670.00	614.66		55.34
355.00	Room hire	420.00	335.00		85.00
195.00	Training	550.00	0.00		550.00
7,685.96	Chelford Activity Park maintenance	9,420.00	2,077.49	625.00	6,717.51
2,697.50	Chelford Village maintenance	6,035.00	885.50	442.50	4,707.00
10,932.92	Assets – purchase	5,000.00	0.00		5,000.00
440.34	Assets – maintenance	3,800.00	91.35		3,708.65
0.00	Community Events	500.00	0.00		500.00
0.00	Contingency	1,000.00	0.00		1,000.00
4,265.44	VAT		631.77	215.20	
51,938.11	Total payments	60,212.00	14,008.18	3,567.10	43,483.69

Cash/Bank reconciliation	01/04/25	10/07/25	14/08/25	31/03/26
Balance B/Fwd	132,592.53	132,592.53	150,188.87	147,170.12
Add total receipts	60,212.00	31,604.52	548.35	27,640.47
Less total payments	60,212.00	14,008.18	3,567.10	43,483.69
Balance C/Fwd	132,592.53	150,188.87	147,170.12	131,326.90
Cumulative balances	Balance	Balance	Balance	Balance
	01/04/25	10/07/25	14/08/25	31/03/26
General funds	61,949.57	79,545.91	76,527.16	60,683.94
Earmarked reserves	70,642.96	70,642.96	70,642.96	70,642.96
	132,592.53	150,188.87	147,170.12	131,326.90

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Cash/Bank Reconciliation as at 14th August, 2025

Cash

Balance brought forward 01/04/25	
Current Account	-419.29
Business Reserve Account	20,174.23
Liquidity Manager Account	31,237.36
Skipton Building Society	81,600.23
	<u>132,592.53</u>

Plus receipts	32,152.87
Less payments	17,575.28
Balance carried forward 14/08/25	<u>147,170.12</u>

Bank (NatWest)

Current Account	17,721.47	05/08/25
Add receipts/transfer since above statement		
	<u>0.00</u>	
	0.00	

Less unrepresented cheques		
Approved	-90.00	
For approval	<u>-3,567.10</u>	
	<u>-3,657.10</u>	
	14,064.37	14/08/25

Business Reserve Account

Add receipts/transfer since above statement	20,001.03	04/07/25
	<u>-5,000.00</u>	
	-5,000.00	
Less unrepresented cheques		
	<u>0.00</u>	
	0.00	
	15,001.03	14/08/25

Liquidity Manager Account (35 day)

Add receipts/transfer since above statement	31,498.12	05/08/25
	<u>0.00</u>	
	0.00	
Less unrepresented cheques		
	<u>0.00</u>	
	0.00	
	31,498.12	14/08/25

Liquidity Manager Account (95 day)

Add receipts/transfer since above statement	5,006.37	06/08/25
	<u>0.00</u>	
	0.00	
Less unrepresented cheques		
	<u>0.00</u>	
	0.00	
	5,006.37	14/08/25

Skipton Building Society

Community Saver Account	81,600.23	31/03/25
Add receipts/transfer since above statement		
	<u>0.00</u>	
	0.00	
Less unrepresented cheques		
	<u>0.00</u>	
	0.00	
	81,600.23	14/08/25

Total bank balances 14/08/25	<u>147,170.12</u>
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Appendix B: Receipts

NatWest Bank plc	£17.70	Gross interest – May, 2025 (BR)
Skipton Building Society	£198.21	Gross interest – May, 2025
NatWest Bank plc	£18.48	Gross interest – June, 2025 (BR)
NatWest Bank plc	£65.81	Gross interest – June, 2025 (LM35)
NatWest Bank plc	£62.84	Gross interest – July, 2025 (LM35)
NatWest Bank plc	£6.37	Gross interest – July, 2025 (LM95)
Skipton Building Society	£178.94	Gross interest – June, 2025

Appendix C: Payments for approval

Cheque No 001685	E. M. Maddock	£1,471.41	Salary, backpay and allowances: August 25 [A]
Cheque No 001686	H.M. Revenue & Customs	£357.81	PAYE payments [B]
Cheque No 001687	Northwich Town Council	£1,071.00	Grounds maintenance, floral displays and watering: July 25 [C]
Cheque No 001688	The Play Inspection Company	£210.00	Operational inspection: July 2025 [D]
Direct Debit	1&1 IONOS	£6.00	Web hosting: July-August 2025 [E]
Direct Debit	1&1 IONOS	£4.20	Email accounts: August 2025 [E]
Standing Order	Cheshire Pension Fund	£446.68	Pension contributions: Aug. 2025 [F]

[A] Local Government Act 1972 s.112

[B] The Income Tax (Pay As You Earn) Regulations 2003 s.67G

[C] Public Health Act 1875 s.164; Local Government Act 1972 Sch. 14 para.27; Local Government Act 1972 s.144

[D] Public Health Act 1875 s.164; Local Government Act 1972 Sch. 14 para.27

[E] Local Government Act 1972 s.142

[F] Pension Act 2008 s.3

Appendix D: Planning updates

Recent planning decisions

25/1432/FUL	Willow Glade, Peover Lane, Chelford. SK11 9AJ Single dwelling to replace existing outbuilding. 25/1432/FUL Notice of decision
25/1354/HOUS	The Police House, Oak Road, Chelford. SK11 9AY Erection of two storey extension to side and rear elevations, erection of single storey extension to front elevation, replacement of existing flat roofs on single storey elements with pitched roofs and render to single storey element on front elevation. 25/1354/HOUS Notice of decision

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25/2131/TPO	<p>4 Grangewood Drive, Chelford. SK11 9BY</p> <p>Lawson Cypress - (T1) Removal of large limb growing towards the road/vegetable patch area to rebalance canopy. Reduction in height by circa 6 metres, removing the exposed central leader. Longer lateral growth to be reduced by 1.5metres all round. Canopy to be cleaned removing dead branches throughout and thinned by 10-20%. Canopy to be crown lifted where applicable reducing the lower hanging limbs by 1-1.5 metres. Works aiming to reduce the trees susceptibility to wind loading. Holly (T2) - Fell, tree is in decline with a sizeable percentage of the canopy now dead. Removal down to ground level. Oak (T3) - Reduction of lateral limb overhanging No. 3 Grangewood Drive by 0.5 - 1metres. Holly (T4) - Fell, almost entirely dead and heavily suppressed with climber. Removal down to ground level.</p> <p>25/2131/TPO Notice of decision</p>
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Outstanding planning applications

25/0792/DSC	<p>Cheshire East Leisure Amenity Land North of the Cattle Market, Dixon Drive, Chelford. SK11 9AX</p> <p>Discharge of condition 16 on approved application 18/0171M - Demolition of all existing structures and buildings, remediation of the site and the erection of a residential led mixed use development comprising 89 no residential dwellings (use class C3) and 140 sq m (1,500 sq ft) of business floorspace (use class B1) together with landscaping, access points from Dixon Drive, car parking, an acoustic fence and associated infrastructure.</p>
25/1234/FUL	<p>Land off Knutsford Road, Knutsford Road, Chelford.</p> <p>Construction of 20 dwellings and associated works.</p>
25/1575/FUL	<p>Woodhouse Stables, Carter Lane, Chelford. SK11 9BD</p> <p>Part demolition of existing building and replacement with a new build dwelling and attached garage. (Note property not within Parish.)</p>
25/1584/FUL	<p>Land East of Chelford Station, Chelford.</p> <p>Full planning application for the erection of 104 dwellings with landscaping and sustainable drainage, vehicular access of Knutsford Road, public open space including play space, and a non-vehicular link to Dixon Drive.</p>
25/2125/TPO	<p>Chelford Activity Park, Knutsford Road, Chelford. SK11 9AS</p> <p>T001 Common Beech Remove limb overhanging road back to stem; T002 Common Beech - Sever and remove ivy to 2m; T003 Common Oak - Sever and remove ivy to 2m; T004 Common Beech - Sever and remove ivy to 2m; T005 Common Oak - Sever and remove ivy to 2m remove major deadwood from within crown and T018 Common Beech - Sever and remove ivy to 2m.</p>

Outstanding planning appeal

24/4781/HOUS	<p>1 Yewtree Cottage, Alderley Road, Chelford. SK11 9AP</p> <p>Proposed two-storey side and single storey rear extension. Alterations to existing access to widen driveway.</p>
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Appendix E: Updates relating to projects identified by Parish Council

1. Ensure walking provision is considered when strategic plans for Green Spaces are developed.
UPDATE: New pathway at Chelford Activity Park under review with respect to position and design.
ACTION: Awaiting final design and site meeting to confirm route and position.
2. Consider inclusion of fitness trail when preparing plans for the refurbishment of Chelford Activity Park.
UPDATE: Position of proposed fitness trail and outdoor gym equipment at Chelford Activity Park under review.
ACTION: Awaiting final plans and site meeting to confirm locations.
3. Consider provision of additional benches within Green Spaces.
UPDATE: Picnic benches to be installed at Mere Court Park (date unknown).
Bench provision at Chelford Activity Park to be reviewed following finalisation of pathway route. (One bench may need to be relocated to accommodate the pathway.)
ACTION: Clerk continue to follow up progress for installation work at Mere Court Park.
4. Repair and refurbish brick bus passenger shelter at Knutsford Road
UPDATE: Initial maintenance work completed. Detailed survey planned to identify any repairs required to the shelter and consider options to improve the appearance and amenity of the shelter (e.g. installation of information boards, review of internal furniture, etc.).
ACTION: Invitation for contractors to provide quotation for the structural survey and any remedial work to be issued in late August, 2025.
5. Renovate and re-purpose red telephone kiosk at Chelford Roundabout.
UPDATE: Quotations being sought for renovation work. Consideration to be given to possible future uses of the kiosk.
ACTION: Item to be discussed at agenda item 9(a).
6. Replace and re-purpose red telephone kiosk at Knutsford Road.
UPDATE: Replacement kiosk being sourced together with quotations and permissions for installation. Consideration to be given to possible future uses of the kiosk particularly given the location and limited access to the potential asset.
ACTION: Clerk to follow up on liaison with landowner.
7. Review of floral displays (content)
UPDATE: Routine weeding added to the 2025/26 floral display contract.
ACTION: Review of floral display contract to be carried out at a future meeting.
8. Review of floral displays (provision of additional displays)
UPDATE: Consideration to be given to viability and sustainability of possible additional floral display locations.
ACTION: Review of floral displays to be carried out at a future meeting.
9. Identification and review of problematic areas for dog poo
UPDATE: Dog poo bag dispensers installed at four locations and filled with bags. A period of monitoring, to identify usage and impact, is being undertaken. Public feedback following the installation of the dispensers has been very positive.
ACTION: Clerk to continue to monitor dog poo bag usage and report to Council.
10. Support The Hub in carrying out work to make the venue more useable for whole community
UPDATE: [Note: The Hub is not within the management of the Parish Council.]
Funding opportunities for energy efficiency projects and digital connectivity projects

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brought to the attention of The Hub. Grant of £710 provided for replacement shed. The Parish Council will continue to forward relevant funding opportunities to The Hub and to respond to requests for support as required.

ACTION: To be considered as required.

11. Support Friends of Chelford Station Group to recruit more volunteers to help maintain the green space around the station
UPDATE: Friends of Chelford Station Group invited to submit articles to the newsletter to encourage residents to join the group. Parish Council has supported work by providing floral displays for the southbound platform and annual hedge cutting services.
ACTION: To be considered as required.
12. Consider holding an event to address vegetation overhanging footways and encourage a sense of collective community responsibility
UPDATE: Articles periodically included within the newsletter reminding residents to ensure their boundary hedges and other vegetation are not obstructing the footways. Consider the viability of the suggested event, if still required, in the autumn.
ACTION: To be considered at a future meeting.
13. Consider supporting the 20s Plenty campaign
ACTION: No further action.
14. Consider options for reviewing accessibility of public rights of way within Parish
UPDATE: [Note: Public Rights of Way are the shared responsibility of landowners and Cheshire East Council (as the Highway Authority).] Chelford FP1 included within the annual strimming schedule (770m). Chelford FP5 included within the annual strimming schedule (370m).
ACTION: Clerk to add public rights of way information to the Parish Council website. Report public rights of way issues to Cheshire East Council when received.
15. Consider holding litter picking events throughout the year
UPDATE: Previously planned event abandoned due to leader of initiative resigning. Small, informal litter picking activities carried out by volunteers. Undertake periodic reviews to establish whether there are significant litter issues requiring attention.
ACTION: To be considered at a future meeting.
16. Raise awareness of Neighbourhood Watch schemes
UPDATE: Information relating to Neighbourhood Watch included within newsletter. Four localised Neighbourhood Watch groups listed within the scheme (Dixon Drive, Knutsford Road, Broomfield Close, Burnt Acre). Consider including reminder information in future newsletter.
ACTION: To be considered at a future meeting.
17. Explore ways to engage with residents
UPDATE: Parish Council newsletter article endeavours, where appropriate, to include details of consultations on issues which may affect or be of interest to residents. Consultations, invitations to meetings and other information published on the Parish Council website and Facebook page. Residents are invited to attend Parish Council meetings. A new notice board at Dixon Drive provides a further information point within the community. List of Parish Councillors is displayed on notice boards. Residents invited to the Annual Parish Meeting to share local issues.
ACTION: To be considered at a future meeting.
18. Consider entering Britain in Bloom competition
UPDATE: Information relating to competition discussed by Parish Council. Consideration given to the non-competitive scheme 'It's Your Neighbourhood'. Article in the newsletter invited residents to express interest in participating in the scheme – only one expression

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of interest received.

ACTION: To be determined following review of floral displays (see projects 7 and 8).

19. Consider creating a welcome pack for new residents with lists of local trades, latest newsletter and perhaps vouchers from local businesses to encourage people to support local shops

UPDATE: Discussed by Parish Council, however, it was considered that the regular newsletter may supersede the 'welcome pack'. Challenges identified regarding effective administration of such a scheme given the increasing number of properties within the Parish and the lack of a comprehensive method to minimise 'missing' new residents. Discussion concluded to take no further action at this time.

ACTION: None at this time.

20. Management of unmown areas at Mere Court Park

UPDATE: Cheshire East Council advise that the area acts as a buffer between the open space and neighbouring properties. The area is cut back every few years to prevent it encroaching into the open space. There will be no nettle or bramble control other than strimming back to keep them from the edge of the footpath.

ACTION: Parish Council will continue to monitor and report issues as they arise.

21. New notice board at Dixon Drive (near to Galloway Grange)

UPDATE: Notice board has been installed.

ACTION: None.

22. Renovation of notice board at Station Road.

UPDATE: Maintenance work completed.

ACTION: None.

Appendix F: Updates relating to reported highway defects

1. Overgrown hedge at Knutsford Road

UPDATE: Awaiting response from resident regarding trimming works. Borough Councillor A. Harrison following up.

2. Request for low level lighting at Dixon Drive

UPDATE: No update.

3. Damaged bollard at Peover Lane (near junction with roundabout)

UPDATE: "A job has been raised and scheduled to be carried out by Cheshire East Highways"

4. Damaged sign at Pepper Street (near junction with Knutsford Road)

UPDATE: "We are pleased to confirm that the work in relation to the enquiry is now complete and the report has been closed."

5. Banner at junction of Oak Road with Knutsford Road.

UPDATE: No update.

6. Crack on Knutsford Road (eastbound carriageway) at railway bridge

UPDATE: "The enquiry has been assessed and does not present a risk to highway users at this time."

7. Conflicting traffic lights at railway bridge on Alderley Road

UPDATE: Awaiting update from Borough Councillor A. Harrison.

8. Nettles along Chelford FP1

UPDATE: Awaiting assessment.

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9. Nettles along Chelford FP4
UPDATE: Awaiting assessment.
10. Fallen tree at Chelford FP1
UPDATE: Tree debris removed.
11. Pothole at Dixon Drive (between junction with Millbank Close and junction with Woodland Close)
UPDATE: "The enquiry has been assessed and does not present a risk to highway users at this time."
12. Pothole at Dixon Drive (near to junction with Millbank Close)
UPDATE: "The enquiry has been assessed and does not present a risk to highway users at this time."
13. Crumbling tarmac around manhole at Dixon Drive (near to junction with Millbank Close)
UPDATE: "The enquiry has been assessed and does not present a risk to highway users at this time."

Other previously made highway reports awaiting assessment and further action by Cheshire East Council:

1. Request for loading bay outside Chelford Surgery, Elmstead Road.
2. Request for 20mph speed limit outside Chelford Primary School, Oak Road.

Appendix G: Highway Priorities

Immediate priorities:

1. Review of zebra crossing at Knutsford Road
UPDATE: Continue to log incidents at the crossing and lobby for crossing improvements.
ACTION: Continue to lobby for improved lighting at the crossing to increase the visibility of pedestrians. Monitor outcome of planning application 25/1234/FUL which proposes to provide a puffin crossing.
ACTION: Issue to be discussed at agenda item 10(e).
2. Review of yellow lines at junction of Oak Road and Knutsford Road
UPDATE: Response from Cheshire East Council: Cheshire Constabulary data shows that over the last five years there has been one reported injury collision at this location. The data does not include damage-only collisions or near misses. The request has been added to the list of locations for consideration during prioritisation assessments which inform future work programmes.
ACTION: The Parish Council will continue to lobby for action in order to reduce the number of 'near-miss' incidents at the junction and reduce the impact on traffic flow along Knutsford Road and Oak Road.

High priority issues:

3. Review of options to tackle speeding issues within the Parish
UPDATE: Community speed watch now resumed. Potential for average speed cameras to be assessed when initial pilot scheme at Plumley has been completed.
ACTION: New speed indicator devices to be installed in near future.

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4. Footway surface condition along Knutsford Road from junction with Station Road to railway platform access
UPDATE: Issue logged with Cheshire East Council for attention. Issue referred to Cheshire East Council Walking Champion for attention. Access to footway much improved following removal of debris and overgrown vegetation.
ACTION: To monitor the condition of the footway and report arising defects to Cheshire East Council for attention.
5. Siding out of footways along Knutsford Road
UPDATE: Issue logged with Cheshire East Council for attention. Siding out work completed along Knutsford Road from junction with Station Road to Chelford Parish Hall by Chelford Edging Group.
ACTION: To monitor the condition of the footway and report arising defects to Cheshire East Council for attention.
6. Review of gullies and drainage issues
UPDATE: Gully emptying data being analysed and correlated to any current flooding issues. Drainage issue at Peover Lane addressed (early October, 2024).
ACTION: Continues to monitor flooding issues and report as necessary.
7. Signage (or other measures) to deter parking on footways (e.g. Elmstead Road, Knutsford Road (near shops))
UPDATE: Knutsford Road: Road Safety Team reviewing impact of commercial businesses on parking issues.
Elmstead Road: The request has been added to the list of locations for consideration during prioritisation assessments which inform future work programmes. Where parked vehicles are causing an obstruction or preventing egress from properties they can be reported to the police. Where parking restrictions exist, enforcement is undertaken by the Cheshire East Council parking services team.
ACTION: Continue to monitor and raise issues to Cheshire East Council as necessary.

Other highway priorities to be pursued:

8. Re-instatement of worn yellow lines on Dixon Drive
UPDATE: Cheshire East Council has assessed the issue and added it to the improvement programme for repair over the longer term. This means that it is unlikely that any improvement work will take place during the current financial year.
The Parish Council continues to press for re-instatement work to be carried out. The issue has also been raised with David Wilson Homes.
ACTION: Awaiting outcome of lining review.
9. Review of street lighting provision within the Parish (particularly along Knutsford Road)
UPDATE: Existing defective columns reported to Cheshire East Council for attention. Street lights out at Chelford Roundabout, between Alderley Road and Chelford Road exits are awaiting repair (Repairs have been delayed due to safety concerns and the loss of electricity supply to the columns.).
ACTION: To monitor progress to repair defective columns.
10. Installation of village gateways
UPDATE: Cheshire East Council plans to refresh the slow markings through the village, install some dragon's teeth lining at the start of the speed limit change into the village and also install a 30mph roundel at the speed limit change, however, the proposed gateway signs do not fall within the scope of items for which Ward Member budgets can be spent. These, therefore, are not being completed as part of the above work. Village gateway proposals being developed.
ACTION: Issue to be discussed at agenda item 10(d).

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11. Removal of redundant signage

UPDATE: David Wilson Homes has apologised for the oversight in leaving the signage in place and has removed the signage. National Garden Scheme apologised for signs not being removed and is making relevant individuals aware of need to remove signage following events. Awaiting response from Pear Tree Barns developer.

ACTION: Report redundant signage to the relevant organisation.

12. Install more robust bollards at Dixon Drive (no through road point near Galloway Grange)

UPDATE: The Parish Council continues to press for improvements to the bollards and for signage to alert motorists for need for access for emergency vehicles.

ACTION: Follow up on requests for improvements to bollards and request for no-parking signs.

13. Enforcement of hedge/shrub/tree cutting adjacent to footways

UPDATE: Individual issues reported to Cheshire East Council as required.

ACTION: Continue to monitor and report issues as necessary.

14. Installation of rumble strips

UPDATE: Parish Council to consider possible locations and desirability of rumble strips.

ACTION: Issue to be considered at a future meeting.