LITTLE BUDWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 1 November 2016 in the Village Hall

Present: Mr P Robinson (chairman), Mr R Hall, Mr I Jackson,

Mrs K Lawson, and Mr R Morris.

In attendance: Mr G Cookson – clerk to the council

Apologies: Mrs J Marshall

1 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 4 October were confirmed as a correct record.

2 MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising from the previous meeting.

3 MEMBERSHIP

Members were advised that Gill Fairhurst had resigned from the council due to competing family and work demands. Gill was thanked for her work on behalf of the council and the community over many years both as a borough councillor and more recently as a parish councillor. The necessary steps will be taken in order to fill the vacancy.

4 PLANNING MATTERS

Applications

APP NO: 16/04406/S73

PROPOSAL: Variation of conditions 2 and 19 of planning permission 12/05303/FUL to allow improved highway safety at site entrance and alteration to road layout.

LOCATION: York Hill Farm Chester Road Little Budworth, Tarporley The council objected to this application on the grounds of traffic safety and the need for a reduction in the speed limit should the proposal be approved.

APP NO: 16/04673/FUL

PROPOSAL: Conversion of barn to dwelling.

LOCATION: Moss Hall Farm Beech Road Little Budworth.

The council had no objection to this application provided no direct access to the A54 is allowed.

Notice of Decision APP NO: 16/03891/S73

PROPOSAL: Variation of condition 2 (plans) of planning application 13/03448/FUL and 16/00055/S73 to allow increase of roof ridge height by 900mm

LOCATION: Hickhurst Barn, Hickhurst Lane, Little Budworth, Tarporley Approval of planning permission.

5 VILLAGE GREEN

There were no matters to report.

6 VILLAGE HALL

The programme of work including exterior painting window repairs had now been completed. Approximately £4000 had been spent in total.

7. CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER MATTERS

Little Budworth Common: it has now been agreed that one tree on the Coach Road/Park Lane junction will be felled to improve vehicle movements. Also a programme of thinning-out a number of small trees on the common is underway.

Cobden Farm Quarry: Ray and Tony Hall had met with representatives of Tarmac Ltd. The company will be submitting a revised planning application for permission to work the quarry for a further 5 year period. That will exhaust sand supply in the quarry. Operations will not start until 2018 but Tarmac will seek permission to drill exploratory bore holes to ascertain whether any neighbouring locations are likely to contain sand to make it commercially worthwhile quarrying elsewhere.

Highway improvements: the local authority had asked the parish council to identify some priority highway improvements for possible inclusion in next year's programme. It was agreed that Richard would co-ordinate this initiative.

8 FINANCE

The following payments were authorised:

G Cookson – salary 1-30 November and council expenses 1 September to 30 October £94.27 (cheque no 100620)

Ken Cox – maintenance October, £57 (cheque no 100621)

9 OTHER BUSINESS

Phone Box and defibrillator: it was agreed that the necessary works including painting, (to be done professionally) and provision of electricity supply would be arranged under lan's leadership in order that the defibrillator can be operational from the phone box.

10 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 6 December in the Village Hall at 7.30pm