ANDERTON WITH MARBURY PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

Anderton with Marbury Parish Council Meeting held at 6pm on Monday 11th December 2023 at Anderton Memorial Hall

1. Attendance

Parish Councillors Helen Brewin (HB), Mike Green (MG), Cathy Walmsley (CW) June Thomas (JT) Alisha Williamson (AW) Helen Grant (HG) Cllr Lynn Gibbon (LG) Mandi Wells (MW)

Guest Speaker: Mike Dugine, Cheshire West and Chester Council

2. Apologies:

Cllr Phil Marshall

3. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest in respect of anything on the agenda.

4. Open Forum/ Submissions from the public

5. Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 30th October 2023

Minutes were reviewed and agreed

6. Cllr Lynn Gibbon Update

• See Separate document from Cllr Gibbon

7. Special Item - Mobile Signal in the village

Part 1 of the meeting was dedicated to a public meeting with residents to hear from Mike Dugine CWAC's Digital Lead.

Key points were:

- 1) A survey has been carried out of the village in relation to the mobile signal which has shown that no providers have a good level of coverage. The best is with EE but even that is quite patchy. Residents all confirmed that they had significant difficulties with mobile signal.
- 2) The village is not eligible to apply to the shared rural network fund as data is taken from Ofcom, who obtain their data directly from the providers and their data is not accurate.
- 3) In order to try and improve the situation the following process was agreed as a way forward:
 - a. Prepare a business case to take to providers. This will involve presenting data setting out numbers of residents affected, impact, and which services are currently being used.
 - b. A proposal to remedy the situation. The meeting discussed a mast in the village. A resident landowner said that the site that he owns which houses the sub-station could be an option and he was willing for that land to be used for this purpose if feasible.
 - c. The Parish Council to conduct a survey of all residents to obtain data to inform the business case. Cllr Gibbon added that she had funding which could be used for this purpose. MD said that he could assist with survey questions so that the right data is collected.

8. Financial report - Council

HB updated on the PC's financial reports

9. Correspondence

One from a resident in relation to a public right of way – New Public Rights of Way Officer to be contacted.

10.Planning

None

11.Report of PCSO – Diana Wiggins

a. Low levels of crime reported in Anderton with Marbury. Cheshire Police have created a newsletter which can be added to the website. PC Terry Boyle added context in relation to the report which is now easier to understand.

12. Any Other Business

a. Family Quiz Night

i. Booked for Friday before Xmas

b. Compost

Tree surgeons advised position of compost heap will be harmful to trees. HB asked if could be spread on the field. Permission to be sought from farmer.

c. Village sign is ordered.

Due to be installed.

Next meeting to be moved to <u>Tuesday 30th January 2024</u> and ongoing on a Tuesday due to booking at the hall.