

**WOODPLUMPTON PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT CATFORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL,**  
**SCHOOL LANE, CATFORTH**

**on MONDAY 19<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2018 at 7.00pm.**

**136 PRESENT:** Chairman Cllr M Greaves to item 7  
Cllr S Morgan from item 7 onwards  
Councillors Cllr M Entwistle, Cllr B Probin, Cllr M Stewart

4 members of the public, PC Banks, Mr D Gough & Mr N Roberts Preston City Council

**137 APOLOGIES:** Cllr B Dalglish, Cllr P Entwistle, Cllr S Yates

**138 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES of the meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018.**

It was **resolved** that the Minutes be signed as a true record.

**139 TO ACCEPT DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS AND TO CONSIDER ANY WRITTEN REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS**

There were no declaration of interests.

**140 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

It was **resolved** that the meeting be adjourned for public participation.

PC Banks confirmed that the Senior Management Team are in receipt of the Parish Council's letter expressing concern that the rural area does not currently have a police vehicle after it was written off in November. He reassured Members that a vehicle has been borrowed from Skelmersdale and the police are using pool cars until the situation is resolved. He accepted that the situation is not ideal as time is spent sourcing pool cars which are unmarked. The Clerk will contact the police for a response to the letter as the correspondence has not been acknowledged.

There has been an increase in burglaries in the Kingsley Road area. The youths involved appear to be 14-18 years old. A good CCTV image has been recorded and the police are optimistic the incidents will now stop. Residents are requested not to leave keys in patio doors as burglars can smash the window and turn the key to gain access. Other recorded crimes included damage at the Priory caused by a resident, theft from stables on Sandy Lane and incidents of flytipping on Tom Benson Way.

Mr Gough and Mr Roberts from Preston City Council attended the meeting to discuss the situation with the 5 year housing supply and provide an update on NW Developments, including S106 agreements and ongoing construction concerns particularly on Bartle Lane.

**5 Year Supply** – Mr Gough stated that the City Council believes it has a deliverable supply of land identified in the Local Plan – but at an appeal in Broughton, a case was made that the land is not ready to come forward for development. A Planning Inspector will determine the position in April, but until then, it must be assumed that the Council cannot demonstrate a 5 year supply. It was stressed that this does not automatically mean all submitted planning applications will be approved, as weight is still given to the sustainability of the site, transport, environmental issues etc.

Attention was drawn to the 'memorandum of understanding' between Preston, Chorley and South Ribble and it was questioned why Preston has not reduced its housing need from 500 properties pa to 225 pa. Mr Gough stated he will ask an officer at the City Council to provide a reply.

In light of the resubmission of an application at Tabley Lane, it was confirmed that LCC have been asked to produce a report identifying the peak point for traffic associated with the new developments, prior to the construction of the E-W link road.

**Healthcare** – Mr Roberts stated that the City Council understands the concerns expressed in relation to the lack of health care provision, however the CCG is of the opinion that clinics can be run from community centres etc without the need for a 'dedicated' building. Notwithstanding this, discussions are also taking place regarding land ownership and alterations to Ingol Health Centre.

Attention was drawn to the press article detailing a new combined surgery at the Little Sisters complex – *necessary due to the new homes in NW Preston*. Concerns were raised regarding the change in traffic flows if residents are to use the A6 to access the new complex. It was stated that this will be raised with the CCG.

Members requested a breakdown of how CIL is financing the items on the Regulation 123 list as the health centre was included in the items to be provided. Members also asked for a forecast of the CIL monies due to Woodplumpton. This information will be provided by Mr Gough.

Attention was drawn to the parking difficulties on Sandy Lane and the lack of footpaths serving the nursery. It was noted that the plans show that the applicant was prepared to pay for the footpaths and lighting but this has not happened.

Mr Gough confirmed that a meeting is due to take place with Highways to discuss the construction problems on Bartle Lane and the footpath will be raised too. Mr Gough will also advise who is responsible for reinstating the grass verges damaged by construction vehicles.

Mr Gough and Mr Roberts were thanked for their attendance

A resident stated that Blackleach Lane had been severely damaged when it was used as a diversion when Catforth Road was closed. The Clerk will ask LCC to inspect the area.

#### **141 UPDATES CONCERNING NW PRESTON**

a) Members reflected on the above points and **resolved** that the Clerk send a letter to the CCG to seek reassurances that they will address the Parish Council's concerns regarding the lack of Healthcare provision including dentists, hospital beds, etc.

b) Members noted that LCC have issued a Traffic Regulation Order for the temporary closure of Tabley Lane on the 16<sup>th</sup> April for patching works to be carried out. As the works are for one day, Members **resolved** not to express any concerns; however, the Clerk was requested to contact LCC to stress again the health and safety concerns in relation to the discontinuation of the pavement opposite Nog Tow Cottages.

c) Members **noted** that Newsham Hall Bridge was not resurfaced at the same time as Newsham Hall Road and the matter is being followed up by Broughton Parish Council.

d) Members **resolved** that the Clerk contact LCC regarding the number of accidents at Broughton crossroads and queuing delays on the by-pass, due to people still using the A6 and having right of way round the roundabout before the M6 junction.

#### **142 PLANNING APPLICATIONS – TO DETERMINE**

**Note** - Members are advised prior to the meeting that planning applications can be viewed at [www.preston.gov.uk](http://www.preston.gov.uk)

**06/2017/1408** Double height porch to front of Whitestones, Eaves Lane, Catforth, Members **resolved** to leave to planning

**06/2017/1455** Two storey side extension following demolition of conservatory at Fern Leigh, Lewth Lane, Catforth. Members **resolved** to leave to planning

**06/2018/0131** Prior notification submission for change of use from agricultural building to storage and distribution (Class B8) South of, Pointer House Farm, Preston Road. Members **resolved** to leave to planning

**06/2018/0088** First floor rear extension and alterations to roof at Intack Farm, Roots Lane Catforth. Members **resolved** to leave to planning

**06/2018/0108** Reserved matters for alterations to 8 plots on land to north of Lightfoot Lane. Members noted that the application was for a change of house type due to a housing design range being discontinued. Members **resolved** to leave to planning

#### **143 FLOODING**

Members **resolved** to support the motion by St Anne's Town Council which lobbies the Government to take action regarding flooding concerns.

#### 144 CITY COUNCIL BUDGET PROPOSALS

Members **noted** that the City Council budget proposals for 2018/19 include a 2.99% increase in Council Tax and a 5% increase in cemetery and crematorium fees.

Members **resolved** to invite the City Council to the next meeting to discuss the purchase and maintenance of the land at The Orchard.

#### 145 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The Chairman confirmed accounts and bank statements had been reconciled

#### 146 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

Members are requested to **note** the direct debit payments to Easy websites and Nest pension. Members **resolved** to approve the following accounts for payment and **noted** the receipt of £125 from the Parish Champion in respect of the CCTV.

Refreshments Woodplumpton Carol Service M Greaves	£15.00	CQ1255
Clerks Jan Salary	£1004.16	BACS
HMRC PAYE	£104.20	CQ1256
HMRC N Ins employer	£59.95	CQ1257
HMRC N Ins employer	£59.81	CQ1258
Lengthsman	£705.00	CQ1259

#### 147 UPDATE ON CIL ITEMS

Members **noted** that the City Council has advised that a Parish Council may not retain 5% of CIL for 'general administration purposes', however, the Clerk has successfully justified all administration costs to date. Members **resolved** to include an explanatory script on the 2016/17 CIL report to explain the administrative element to date.

Members **noted** the following status of CIL projects

- **Parish Traffic calming** – LCC have produced a sketch recommendation for both villages. These were briefly discussed at the Neighbourhood Plan meeting on the 13<sup>th</sup> February. It was **resolved** that the Clerk will arrange a meeting with Highways to discuss the plans in more detail.
- **Catforth Village Hall** – Members approved the new access in November. An update and progress on the garden area is currently pending.
- **The Orchard – Infrastructure improvements**. Under MIN 144, Members **resolved** to invite the City Council to the March meeting to discuss the ownership and possibility of improvements to the land
- **Dog / Litter Bins** – PCC advised they were completing a waste management audit and wouldn't be in a position to confirm if a new bin can be installed at Whinneyfield Lane until the end of January. The matter will now be chased up.
- **Boundary signs** - Members deferred the addition of new 'welcome' signs as they may be incorporated in the traffic calming plans.

#### 148 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE

Members met with the consultant on the 13<sup>th</sup> February and discussed the Character Appraisal for the area. Members **resolved** to approve the notes taken as these will be instrumental in assisting the consultant in drafting the Appraisal. Members noted that all areas of the Parish will be visited by the consultant – the first of these will take place on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2018.

#### 149 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Parish Council is scheduled for **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2018** at 7.00pm at Woodplumpton Parish Rooms