

ADLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting held on Monday 15th April 2013
in the Community Centre, Railway Road, Adlington commencing at 7.15pm

Members Present:

Mayor J Lowe

Councillors D Croft, C Hart, S Higgins, B Lee, J Smethurst, E Sumner, A Wilson

In Attendance: L Crouch (Clerk) and V Hughes

1 Open Forum

None

2 **Apologies for Absence** were received from Cllr D Hoyle who was in London and Cllr G Dunn who was attending a Chorley Council meeting and accepted by the Council.

3 **Minutes of the Meeting of 18th March 2013** were accepted as a true record and signed by the Mayor.

3.1 **Matters Arising.** Responses regarding the railway electrification work and its effect on the village have been received from Network Rail and representatives have offered to attend a future meeting of the Council. Responses regarding the delay in adoption of Fairview Drive will be forwarded to the residents who contacted the Council. A Website Working Group meeting has not yet been arranged

4 **Declarations of Interest** Cllr Lowe declared a pecuniary interest in item 5.2 because of her position with the Adlington & District in Bloom Group.

5 Finance

5.1 It was resolved to approve the statement of accounts and budget review for March 2013. It was also resolved to approve the balance sheet for the financial year 2012/13.

5.3 It was resolved to approve the following payments:

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| L Crouch | Salary | |
| Orange | Phone charges 24/03/13 to 23/04/13 | £9.31 |
| Lancashire Association of Local Councils | Annual Subscription | £544.27 |
| PWD Printing | Update printing | £280.00 |
| L Snape | Update delivery | £200.00 |
| Rivington & Adlington Brass Band | Community Award | £350.00 |
| Adlington Luncheon Club | Community Award | £100.00 |
| Adlington & District Community Association | Community Award | £300.00 |
| Adlington & District in Bloom Action Group | Community Award | £250.00 |

5.4 It was resolved to transfer £2500 from the savings to the business current account

6 Planning

6.1 New Applications

13/00153/COU 152 Chorley Road - Change of use from residential (C3 use) to a beauty salon (sui generis use). It was resolved to object to the application as the property has insufficient adjacent parking, is in a residential area and not the designated "retail area", the proposal includes late night opening, and there are commercial premises currently available in other parts of the village.

13/00282/FUL Clayton Arms Hotel 2 Market Street - Change of use from Public House with flat above, to offices at ground floor with two self-contained flats above. It was resolved to welcome the development of a currently disused building and any employment opportunities this may bring.

13/00285/FUL Rigby House Farm The Common Adlington - Proposed detached office building in lieu of detached garage permitted under permission 10/00449/FUL. It was resolved to object to this application on the grounds that this should be considered as a completely new application as the proposal to build office accommodation is very different from the provision of a garage and the site is located in the Green Belt. It was also resolved to include the objections originally submitted for the previous application 10/00449/FUL

6.2 Applications Refused

12/00895/FULMAJ Land 80M South West Of Appenzell Babylon Lane Heath Charnock - Residential development of 14no. two-storey 4 and 5 bedroom detached houses. The refusal of planning permission was noted, but also that the Chorley Council website indicates that an appeal application has been submitted to Chorley Planning Department.

7 Items for Discussion

- 7.1 It was resolved to defer the review of the Financial Regulations to a future meeting
- 7.2 It was agreed to present this year's Citizens' Awards to Bill Roberts (White Bear Scouts) and Ann Hart (Railway Road school crossing patrol). The Clerk will invite them to the Annual Town meeting.
- 7.3 It was resolved to arrange refreshments for 30 people at the Spinners Arms to follow the Annual Meeting for the new Mayor and invited guests.
- 7.4 A list of meeting dates for 2013/14 was agreed. It was resolved to publicise these at the Annual Town Meeting
- 7.5 A provisional date for Civic Sunday of 7th July 2013 was agreed. Final arrangements will need to take into account another event planned at the St Pauls Social Club on the same day. Cllr Lee will find out about this before a Road Closure is applied for.
- 7.6 It was resolved to nominate Cllr Croft as Deputy Mayor for 2013/14. Other nominations may be submitted before the Annual Meeting
- 7.7 It was resolved that no further action is required regarding the Housing Survey sent to local residents by a private company as it has been widely publicised that this was not an official Chorley Council questionnaire
- 7.8 It was resolved that the Streetscene working group would look into the options for the provision of one or more Community Notice Boards. Cllrs Lowe, Croft, Sumner and Higgins will attend, all Councillors are welcome. The group will consider location, cost, responsibility, guidance and planning
- 7.9 It was resolved that the Mayor & Deputy Mayor will meet with the Clerk shortly for an Appraisal/Development Review
- 7.10 The Clerk was asked to check on the current position regarding the handover by Bellway of the Park and Ride facility

8 Items for Information

The Council congratulated the Clerk on achieving the Certificate in Local Council Administration
The meeting closed at 8.40pm