

# ADLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting held on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2016  
in the Community Centre, Railway Road, Adlington commencing at 7.15pm

## Members Present:

**Councillors** J Banks, A Evans, C Hart, B Lee, J Lowe, F Molyneaux, J Molyneaux, T Summers, P Walkden, A Wilson

**In Attendance:** L Crouch (Clerk), PCSO Alex Holloway

**1 Open Forum** Simon Clarke, Head of Health, Environment and Neighbourhoods at Chorley Council was unable to attend the meeting as planned and sent his apologies.

PCSO Holloway explained that the local police team was now up to full strength with the appointment of PC Burgess as the new Community Beat Manager. He summarised the recent crimes in the area which included burglaries, speeding, obstruction and motorbike nuisance. Police And Communities Together meetings will be held at Adlington Community Centre on the first Thursday of every other month, with the next two arranged for 2/6/16 and 4/8/16. PCSO Holloway was asked about the process for monitoring social media, for example comments made by residents on the "Adlington Then and Now" facebook page. He explained that this can only be monitored by specialist officers, and that residents should be encouraged to report any intelligence directly to the police, as there are now three local PCSOs and the CBM who can be emailed directly as an alternative to using the 101 telephone service.

*The Deputy Mayor thanked him for attending and he left the meeting.*

**2 Apologies for Absence** were received from Cllr Higgins who was unwell and Cllr Robinson who was working and accepted by the Council. It was resolved that Cllr Evans (Deputy Mayor) would chair the meeting in the absence of the Mayor.

**3 Minutes of the Meeting** held on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2016 were accepted as a true record and signed by the Deputy Mayor.

**3.1 Matters Arising** Cllr Lee reported on progress with the Automated External Defibrillator provision. The positioning of the AED in Higher Adlington on the outer wall of the public conveniences has been approved by Chorley Council and it will be assisting with the installation of this and providing the electricity supply. No contribution towards the cost has yet been approved by Anderton or Heath Charnock Parish Councils, or any other local organisation. It is intended to submit an order shortly for the purchase of one complete package (AED unit + cabinet) and one cabinet to hold the unit to be supplied by the North West Ambulance Service

## 4 Declarations of Interest

Cllr J Molyneaux declared an interest in item 6 as she is a member of Chorley Council Development Control Committee. Cllr Lowe declared her interest in item 5.4 as she is involved with the Adlington & District In Bloom organisation.

## 5 Finance

**5.1** It was resolved to approve the revised budget for 2016/17 which includes the additional category for the provision of two AEDs as approved at the March 2016 meeting.

**5.2** It was resolved to approve the revised asset register to include the changes agreed in March 2016.

**5.3** It was resolved to approve the statement of accounts and budget review for March 2016. It was also resolved to approve the balance sheet and income and expenditure reports for the year which will be sent to the auditor.

**5.4** It was resolved to approve the following payments:

L Crouch	Salary	
Petty cash - imprest	Printer ink cartridges	£20.48
Orange	Phone charges 24/03/16 to 23/04/16	£9.38
Lancashire Association of Local Councils	NALC and LALC Subscription 2016/17	£602.67
Adlington in Bloom	Community Award	£230.00
Adlington Luncheon Club	Community Award	£100.00
Adlington, Heath Charnock and Anderton Senior Citizens	Community Award	£80.00
Adlington & District Heritage Society	Community Award	£250.00

**5.5** It was resolved to transfer £1700 from the RBS savings account to the current account

## 6 Planning

**6.1 New applications** It was resolved to submit no objection to the planning application **16/00213/FULMAJ Adlington Hall Farm The Common** Erection of two new poultry sheds on existing farm (measuring 94m x 24m each) along with two feed silos (7.4m high).

**7 Items for Discussion**

- 7.1 It was resolved to consult the resident who contacted the Town Council during the recent flooding, so that local people who were affected can give their views on the best way to prepare for any future event, how to identify vulnerable people and whether sandbags stored locally would be a useful line of defence
- 7.2 It was resolved that consultation with residents is vital before any decision is made regarding the use of the current Grafton Street play area, and that this should take the form of leaflet drops and events, and possibly the involvement of Adlington Primary School
- 7.3 It was resolved that the issue of sandbag provision should be included on the LALC local area committee agenda for its next meeting on 9/6/16 so that other parishes experiences can be noted.
- 7.4 It was resolved to approach a local handyperson to make repairs to the Town Council notice boards as identified in Cllr Hart's report on their condition. Councillors will initially consult their own contacts to obtain estimates for consideration and if this is unsuccessful a notice will be placed in each of the boards and on the website. The Deputy Mayor thanked Cllr Hart for compiling the report.
- 7.5 The invitation from LCC to opt in to the Public Rights of Way Local Delivery Scheme was noted. It was resolved to contact LCC with the suggestion that Community Payback resources could be used to help with the clearing of footpaths
- 7.6 It was resolved to find out information about accessing the carrier bag funding for local organisations by contacting the local MP and the local supermarkets.
- 7.7 It was resolved to suggest to the Senior Citizens and Luncheon Club organisations that they approach the Adlington Carnival committee for additional funding.
- 7.8 Three names were agreed as recipients of Adlington Citizen Awards for 2016 for voluntary and charitable work in the local area. They will be invited to the Annual Meetings to receive a certificate.
- 7.9 It was considered urgent by the Council to express its concern at the recent loss of A & E facilities at Chorley Hospital, in view of the fact that as one of the most Southerly areas of the County the detrimental effect on residents is greater than in other areas of Chorley as the distance to Preston Hospital is almost 20 miles. It was resolved to contact the Health Secretary, the Shadow Health Secretary, the Chief Executive of the Lancashire Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust and the local MP to express the Council's concerns and to express its lack of confidence in the management.

**8 Items for Information** Cllr Walkden and Cllr Evans will attend the meeting arranged to discuss the Chorley Youth Zone at 6pm on 12/5/16 at The Arts Partnership*The meeting closed at 9.00pm***Budget 2016-17**

Mayor's Allowance	<b>750.00</b>
Clerk's Salary	<b>5000.00</b>
Administrative & Telephone Costs	<b>300.00</b>
Training Costs	<b>250.00</b>
Insurance	<b>800.00</b>
Audit	<b>200.00</b>
Mayor's Inauguration	<b>150.00</b>
Civic Sunday	<b>400.00</b>
Remembrance Sunday	<b>300.00</b>
Carol Service	<b>450.00</b>
Streetscene Enhancement - Hanging Baskets	<b>4000.00</b>
Plants for planters	<b>150.00</b>
Other (inc Notice Boards)	<b>850.00</b>
AEDs – <i>added March 2016</i>	<b>4000.00</b>
RBL Wreath	<b>20.00</b>
Subscriptions	<b>620.00</b>
Newsletter – Printing & Production	<b>1000.00</b>
Newsletter - Distribution	<b>600.00</b>
Community Awards Scheme	<b>2000.00</b>
Other Projects & Contingencies	<b>1000.00</b>
Election Expenses	<b>300.00</b>
Room Hire	<b>300.00</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>23440.00</b>