

## ADLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting held on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> August 2012  
in the Community Centre, Railway Road, Adlington commencing at 7.15pm

**Members Present:**

Mayor J Lowe

Councillors D Croft, G Dunn, C Hart, S Higgins, D Hoyle, B Lee, F Molyneaux, J Molyneaux

**In Attendance:** L Crouch (Clerk), a Police representative, and eleven local residents**1 Open Forum**

Eleven local residents attended the meeting to express their concerns regarding planning application **12/00741/OUTMAJ Land Surrounding Huyton Terrace Previously Baly Place Farm Bolton Road** - Outline application for residential development of up to 170 dwellings. Objections raised included the following points:

- The proposed development would be a major change to Bolton Road, as it includes a wide frontage and a plan to demolish two properties
- No parking for existing residents of Bolton Road has been included and existing parking would be reduced around the area of the new junction
- Proposed buildings are not in keeping with surrounding properties which are predominantly bungalows

The Mayor thanked the residents for their attendance.

*The local residents left the meeting*

The Police representative reported that she is addressing the problem of obstruction of the dropped kerb on Sutton Lane, which was constructed 7 years ago to enable wheelchair access. Local residents expressed concern at the recent Police and Communities Together meeting that if permission is granted for a car showroom on Railway Road cars going in and out could cause a danger for traffic using the bridge.

The Police representative confirmed that the 20mph speed limits in residential areas are currently on an "advisory and educational" basis with police stopping and warning drivers who exceed the limit. These may, however, become enforceable in future.

*The Police representative left the meeting*

**2 Apologies for Absence** were received from Cllr J Smethurst who was away on holiday and Cllr A Wilson who was attending another event and accepted by the Council.

**3 Minutes of the Meeting of 16<sup>th</sup> July 2012** were accepted as a true record and signed by the Mayor.

**3.1 Matters Arising.** None

**4 Declarations of Interest** Cllr J Lowe declared a personal interest in item 5.4 as she is the Chair of Adlington & District in Bloom Group and will accept the payment on their behalf. Cllr J Molyneaux declared a personal interest in item 6 as she is Mayor of Chorley.

**5 Finance**

**5.1** It was resolved to approve the statement of accounts and budget review for July 2012

**5.2** It was resolved to purchase the hanging basket brackets outright for £500 from Mr P Dodd rather than paying the suggested alternative of annual rental.

**5.3** It was resolved that the additional insurance premium of £25 to cover the jubilee bench would be paid by the Town Council. Cllr Lowe explained that this would not be necessary yet as the work on the bench is due to start in October.

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

L Crouch	Salary	
Orange	Phone charges 24/7/12 to 23/8/12	£9.31
LALC (Lancs & Merseyside County Training Partnership)	New Councillor Course – Cllr S Higgins	£60.00
P Dodd	Brackets for hanging baskets	£500.00
PWD Creative Solutions	Update printing	£280.00
Lucy Snape	Update delivery	£200.00
Chorley & District Building Society	Transfer to Investment Account	£7000.00
J Lowe (cheque to Adlington & District in Bloom Group)	Plants for planters	£18.00

The following payment was deferred until the start of construction of the Jubilee Bench

Came & Company	Additional insurance premium	£25.00
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5.5 It was resolved to transfer £8000 from the savings to the business current account

## 6 Planning

### 6.1 New Applications

It was resolved that the Clerk would submit the following responses:

**12/00552/FUL C G S Design & Screen Bridge House 23 Railway Road** - Change of use of former Conservative Club to 8 apartments. It was resolved to object to the application on the grounds that insufficient parking spaces have been included and any overspill parking may restrict access to Grove Ave, and the inappropriate proximity of the development to an area of older people's accommodation. It was also resolved to ask that the likely increase in traffic due to adjacent developments be taken into account

**12/00663/FUL Adlington Conservative Club Railway Road** - Proposed redevelopment of former Conservative Club to outdoor car sales and showroom. It was resolved that this is an inappropriate development on land now allocated to housing, and that the location is close to a dangerous bridge which is likely to cause highway issues with vehicle access to the premises and customer parking.

**12/00741/OUTMAJ Land Surrounding Huyton Terrace Previously Baly Place Farm Bolton Road** - Outline application for residential development of up to 170 dwellings, demolition of 74 and 76 Bolton Road, formation of new access, landscaping, open space, highways and associated works. It was resolved to resubmit objections originally made to application 12/00082/OUTMAJ with the additional points raised by residents in the Open Forum

**12/00785/FUL 85 Railway Road** Construction of Orangery to Rear. It was resolved to leave this for neighbours to comment

**12/00786/FUL 69 Carrington Road** Single storey rear / side extension. It was resolved to leave this for neighbours to comment

### 6.2 Applications Permitted

The following granted planning permissions were noted:

**12/00200/FUL Wagon And Horses 94 Market Street** - Change of use from Public House to a Children's Day Nursery

**12/00455/FUL Land In Front Of 1 - 11 Harrison Road** - Creation of 6no. parking spaces

**12/00551/FUL Pike View Daisy Hill Drive** - Erection of a two storey rear extension

**12/00608/ADV First Quench Retailing 174 Chorley Road** - Wall mounted sign of approx 2440 x 820mm advertising presence of retail bakery outlet

## 7 Items for Discussion

7.1 It was resolved that Adlington Town Council will adopt the new Chorley Borough Council Code of Conduct

7.2 It was resolved to contact Chorley Council for advice on a disability survey of the village to address problems for wheelchair users and also those with other disabilities

7.3 It was resolved to object to the reduction of the 20mph zone on Babylon Lane as the planned 30mph zone would start where the road is at its narrowest and bordered by a stone wall

7.4 It was resolved to pass on the comments of a resident regarding the lack of 20mph signs on Park Road to Lancashire Highways

7.5 It was resolved to set up a Parish Plan Working Group comprising Cllrs C Hart, S Higgins, B Lee, J Lowe and J Molyneaux. A date for the first meeting will be set shortly and all Councillors will be notified and are welcome to attend.

7.6 It was resolved to contact Chorley Police for detailed information regarding the operation of the CCTV cameras located at Market Place and outside the Ridgway

7.7 Chorley Council has confirmed that there are no plans to demolish the chapel in Adlington Cemetery. Current work on the building involves repairs to the roof.

7.8 It was resolved to respond to the Lancashire Fire & Rescue Service Performance Report and Action Plan to request assurances that current response times to Adlington will be retained once the move is made from Weldbank to Washington Hall

7.9 It was resolved to contact Chorley Council for its response to the comments received regarding the condition of the sports court on the Jubilee Playing Fields

## 8 Items for Information

8.1 Cllr C Hart explained that planning applications shown on the Chorley Council website with the suffix DIS are to acknowledge the discharge of planning conditions and therefore do not require a consultation response.

*The meeting closed at 8.57pm*