

ADLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting held on Monday 19th September 2011
in the Community Centre, Railway Road, Adlington commencing at 7.15pm

Members Present:

Mayor Cllr C Hart

Councillors K Ellison, D Hoyle, J Lowe, F Molyneaux, J Molyneaux, J Taylor, A Wilson

In Attendance: L Crouch (Clerk), Peter McAnespie and Stephen Lamb (Chorley Council), Edna Woodrow, Judith Hendrickson and Alan Styles (Heath Charnock Parish Council) and a Police representative.

1 Open Forum

The police representative reported that changes have already been made to the areas covered by local police but that this should not adversely affect the level of response.

The police representative then left the meeting

Peter McAnespie and Stephen Lamb from Chorley Council Planning Department summarised the proposals of the Sites for Chorley Preferred Options document, and explained that this is part of the ongoing planning consultation process which should be completed by February 2012. Responses to this stage can be submitted before 28th October 2011. Each of the proposed allocations can be objected to, supported or supported conditionally in the response. In reply to a question from the Town Council, they explained that they have tried to be flexible in the plans and anticipate the imminent changes proposed to the planning framework. The Mayor thanked them for attending the meeting.

The Chorley Council representatives then left the meeting

2 **Apologies for Absence** were received from Cllrs B Lee and E Sumner who were on holiday and Cllr K Snape who could not attend due to work commitments, and accepted by the Council.

3 **Minutes of the Meeting of 15th August 2011** were accepted as a true record and signed by the Mayor.

3.1 **Matters Arising** Cllr K Snape has advised the Clerk that Stagecoach will be retaining a partial service on the number 3 bus route. The Clerk was asked to contact Stagecoach to clarify this.

4 **Declarations of Interest** Cllr J Molyneaux declared an interest in item 6. Cllr J Lowe declared a personal interest in item 7.9 as she is the Chair of the Adlington & District Millennium Committee.

5 Finance

5.1 It was resolved to approve the statement of accounts and budget review for August 2011.

5.2 The following payments were approved:

L Crouch	Salary	
P Dodd	Hanging Baskets – second payment	£2371.00
Adlington & District Community Association	Neighbourhood Watch	£12.00
Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal	Poppy wreath (payment made under Local Govt Act 1972 Section 137)	£17.00
Chorley Council	Fees for uncontested election	£984.96

5.3 It was resolved to transfer £3800 from the savings account to the business current account

6 Planning

6.1 **New Applications** - none

6.2 **Permission Granted** – the following applications granted permission were noted:

11/00575/FUL 22 Marlow Court - erection of a single storey rear extension

11/00462/FUL Land 440M North West Of Beacon House Sandy Lane - barn extension to south east gable end of existing barn.

7 Items For Discussion

- 7.1 It was resolved that Councillors will look at the proposals contained in the Chorley Planning booklet "Sites for Chorley – Preferred Options" before the next meeting when the Council's responses will be agreed. The Clerk was asked to obtain further copies of the document and to distribute these to Councillors before the next meeting.
- 7.2 It was resolved that no response to the LCC Consultation Draft Implementation Plan for Lancashire's Local Transport Plan is currently necessary, as there will be further opportunities to comment at a later stage in the consultation process.
- 7.3 Cllr J Molyneaux reported that a mistake had been made by Chorley Council in the timing of the sports pitch maintenance for Adlington, but that an assurance has now been given that this will not happen again.
- 7.4 The proposed invitation list, schedule and risk assessment for Remembrance Sunday were approved by the Council. It was resolved that the Clerk will contact the St John Ambulance organisation to arrange for volunteers to attend on the day.
- 7.5 It was resolved that no response is required to the Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service Performance Report and Action Plan 2011 Consultation.
- 7.6 A format for the advertisement for delivery of the Update was agreed. It was resolved that this will be displayed in the Town Council notice boards and in Adlington Library.
- 7.7 The list of comments received by Cllr Holt from the Adlington Youth Group was discussed. It was resolved to contact Sandra Vaughan to pass on the Town Council's thanks for the group's input, and to ask Cllr Holt if he will remain as the link between the Town Council and the Youth Group. It was agreed that a notice inviting interested parties to a meeting to raise funds for a multi-use sports pitch at Fairview Community Centre should be displayed in the Town Council notice boards, as the provision of facilities of this type was one of the suggestions from the group.
- 7.8 The response from British Waterways on the subject of mink and its opinion that they are not an exclusive threat to wildlife along the canal and that no trapping programme is planned was noted. It was resolved that a copy of this response will be sent to the resident who raised the query.
- 7.9 It was resolved that the Clerk will send a letter of support to the Adlington & District Millennium Committee for their application for funding for an Adlington Guide.
- 7.10 Cllr Nigel Holt's resignation from the Town Council was accepted. It was resolved that the Clerk will contact Chorley Council to start the process of filling the vacancy in the West Ward.
- 7.11 The Lancashire County Council proposal to introduce No Waiting at Anytime on Chorley Road for 15m NE of Harding Street and on the NW side of Harding Street was noted and welcomed by the Council. The Clerk was asked to contact Lancashire Highways to find out why the previously approved no waiting zone on Highfield Road has not yet been actioned, and to establish the arrangements for enforcement in these new areas and in other parts of the village.
- 7.12 Cllr D Hoyle asked the Clerk to report to Lancashire County Council that a lamp post bulb cover at the end of Babylon Lane was hanging loose and could pose a danger to passers-by.

8 Items for Information

- 8.1 The Lancashire Best Kept Village results were disappointing as Adlington did not receive a mention. Action to be taken following this will be discussed at the next meeting.
- 8.2 The LCC Parish & Town Council website has been updated
- 8.3 Cllr J Lowe has arranged for the Memorial Tree and Bench to be re-sited as previously agreed
- 8.4 The Mayor reported that he attended a very enjoyable 100th Birthday and Golden Wedding joint celebration at the Luncheon Club.
- The meeting closed at 8.45pm*