

ADLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting held on Monday 18th October 2010
in the Community Centre, Railway Road, Adlington commencing at 7.15pm

Members Present:

Chair Cllr A Wilson

Councillors B Cliffe, K Ellison, C Hart, J Lowe, E Sumner.

In Attendance: L Crouch, County Councillor Mike Otter (Parish Champion), Mrs Carol Otter, County Councillor Pat Case and Mrs D Cordwell.

1 Open Forum

Mrs Cordwell explained the problems being caused by water leaking onto the pavement on Bolton Road. The Clerk explained that she had been in contact with Chorley Environmental Health Department who will shortly be conducting dye tests to establish the cause. Cllr Pat Case asked to be kept informed of progress with this problem as there has been an unresolved leak in the same place for many years.

Cllr Mike Otter addressed the meeting in his role as Lancashire County Council Parish Champion. He thanked the Council for the invitation, and for what they do in the local area. He explained that Parishes are high on the agenda for LCC, and that he was given a fund of £10,000 in 2009-10 to support local projects. This money has all been allocated for the current year, with some of it given to the Adlington Millennium Committee. He also explained that the Parish & Town Council Charter is still evolving and that its aim is to allow services to be delivered by the best-placed Council. Cllr Wilson thanked Cllr Otter for attending the meeting.

2 **Apologies for Absence** were received from Cllr D Hoyle, Cllr D Snape, Cllr K Snape, Cllr F Molyneux and Cllr J Molyneux

3 **Minutes of the Meeting of 20th September 2010** were moved by Cllr Lowe and seconded by Cllr Hart. These were accepted as a true record.

3.1 **Matters Arising.** A letter has been received from Chorley Council which confirms its intention to withdraw the provision of funding to provide alleygates for residents of unadopted back streets and alleys

4 **Declarations of Interest** None

5 Finance

5.2 The following payments were approved:

L Crouch	Salary	
Petty Cash	Imprest	£35.20
Rivington & Adlington Brass Band	Remembrance Sunday and Carol Concert	£600.00
Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal	Wreath	£16.50

5.3 It was agreed to transfer £1000 from the savings account to the business account

6 Planning

6.1 New Applications

The recommendations of the Chairman and the Chair of the Planning Sub-Committee were accepted regarding the following:

10/00771/FUL Land immediately East of 43-51 Acresfield – demolition of existing garages and erection of 5 2-bed bungalows. Cllr Cliffe has contacted Chorley Development Control to express concern re consultation, access, parking and environmental risk.

10/00810/FUL Allanson Hall Farm, Westthoughton Road – erection of 50 photovoltaic solar panels. It was recommended that comments should be left to neighbours.

In addition the following applications were discussed:

Blue NG proposed development in Dark Lane, Blackrod. As no application has yet been submitted, the Clerk will write to Bolton Council to make sure the Town Council will be informed and consulted when it is. It was suggested that the representative of Blue NG should be asked to attend a Planning sub-committee meeting, the date to be arranged by Cllr Wilson.

10/00812/FUL White Bear Marina - Change of use of existing leisure moorings to 48 residential moorings. To be left for neighbours to comment.

10/00857/FUL The Adlington Tandoori 32 - 34 Market Street - Erection of a single storey rear extension. To be left for neighbours to comment.

10/00862/FUL 43 Harrison Road - Demolition of the existing conservatory and the erection of a single storey rear extension to create additional living space. To be left for neighbours to comment.

10/00872/FUL 18 Windermere Drive - Erection of a single storey side and rear extension to create additional living accommodation. The Chairman and Chair of Planning will discuss this further as the plans are complex, and inform the Clerk of any comments or objections before 27/10/10.

10/00863/DIS Land Adj Fairview Farm (incl Land Bounded By Chorley Rd Eller Brook And Railway) Chorley Road - Application to discharge conditions 4, 5, 8, 10, 15, 21, 22, 23 and 28 attached to planning approval 09/00714/FULMAJ. This is a standard part of the planning process and requires no comment.

10/00859/FUL 177A Chorley Road - Change of use from first floor office to two bedroom apartment. To be left for neighbours to comment.

It was agreed that the two applications received too late for the meeting would be discussed by the Chairman and Chair of Planning. These are 10/00898/FUL 3 Greenfield Road - Erection of a two storey side extension to create additional living accommodation and 10/00907/FUL 3 Fairview Drive - Erection of a single storey rear extension to create an orangery.

6.2 **Applications Permitted** were noted as follows:

10/00388/FUL 11 Outterside Street – conversion of attached garage to kitchen/diner

10/00459/FUL St John Ambulance Hall, Granville St – 2 storey development of 8 apartments

10/00543/FUL Unit 10-11 Adlington South Business Park – change of use to ski/snowboard boot fitting

10/00716/FUL Church View, Vicarage Close – change of use from garage to bungalow. Concern was expressed that the comments submitted by the Town Council regarding the drainage arrangements for this site form no part of the conditions attached to the permission.

7 **Items For Discussion**

7.1 The Clerk will contact Chorley Council to obtain more details regarding the process and possible recharges for the Parish Council elections next year. A meeting of the Finance sub-committee will be arranged to allow fuller discussion of the potential charges.

7.2 The water leaking onto the pavement on Bolton Road was discussed in the Open Forum.

7.3 Concern was expressed at the loss of the Welfare Rights sessions at the Adlington & District Community Centre, particularly as this does not represent a cost saving to the service. The Clerk was asked to contact the Welfare Rights Service and County Cllr Mike Calvert, and to copy in County Cllr Pat Case and Lindsay Hoyle MP.

7.4 It was agreed that Councillors should be at the back of the Remembrance Sunday procession coming out of the Church, and remain at the back for the return from the War Memorial. The Clerk will buy the refreshments for after the event. Cllr Ellison will provide a list of what she bought last year.

7.5 The Clerk distributed printed copies of the 2006 Adlington Parish Plan. It was agreed that a sub-committee should be set up at the next meeting to look at updating this.

7.6 The Clerk is receiving a lot of junk email to the published Town Council address. Councillors reported that they are not generally experiencing the problem on the same scale. The Clerk was advised to contact Chorley Council IT section for advice.

7.7 It was suggested that the Clerk should contact new businesses in the village to find out if they wish to advertise in the newsletter.

7.8 Councillors agreed that they wished to continue receiving the full text of the press releases distributed by email from Pam Sutton at Lancashire County Council.

7.9 The Clerk explained that the backing boards on the notice board in Lower Adlington are loose and curling. Councillors will make enquiries and the Clerk will contact local building companies for advice.

7.10 The Clerk has been contacted by First Direct Property, a company who are talking to possible clients about the potential use of the Ridgway building.

8 **Items for Information**

8.1 SLCC newsletter & NALC newsletter

8.2 Agenda for the Parish Council Liaison meeting on 20/10/10

8.3 LCC Parish & Town Council Conference on 6/11/10. As it is likely that the subject of local elections will be covered, Cllr Hart expressed an interest in attending.

8.4 The Children's Centre has been renamed the "Library Children's Centre" and is having an Open Day to publicise this on 21/10/10. Cllr Sumner will attend this event.

The meeting closed at 8.40pm