

ADLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting held on Monday 10th December 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, E Sumner

In Attendance: L Crouch (Clerk) and one local resident

1 Open Forum

None

2 **Apologies for Absence** were received from Cllr B Lee who was on holiday, Cllr J Smethurst who was attending a carol concert, Cllr A Wilson who was at a hospital appointment, Cllrs F & J Molyneaux who had Chorley Mayoral duties and Cllr D Hoyle who was in London, and accepted by the Council.

3 **Minutes of the Meeting of 19th November 2012** were accepted as a true record and signed by the Mayor.

3.1 **Matters Arising.** Cllr Croft expressed his interest in taking any plans for social networking forward on behalf of the Council

4 **Declarations of Interest** None

5 Finance

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

5.2 It was resolved that the Clerk should attend the training session on the subject of the General Power of Competence on 18th December 2012 at a cost of £25

5.3 One quotation for the general maintenance of the notice boards has been received from Barlow Construction and Renovation Ltd for £795 + VAT. It was resolved to accept this quotation.

5.4 It was resolved to review the level of the Town Council's insurance cover at the next Finance Working Group meeting in January 2013.

5.5 It was resolved to approve the following payments:

L Crouch	Salary	
Orange	Phone charges 24/11/12 to 23/12/12	£9.31
PWD Creative	Newsletter printing	£280.00
L Snape	Newsletter delivery	£200.00
Lynn Holmes (Real Honest Foods)	Hotpot for carol concert	£167.50
Adlington & District Community Assn	Neighbourhood Watch	£12.00
Adlington Dry Stone Walling	Contribution to cost of Jubilee Bench	£666.66
L & M County Training	General Power of Competence course	£25.00

5.7 It was resolved to transfer £1500 from the savings to the business current account

6 Planning

6.1 New Applications

12/01060/FUL Land 20M West Of 6 Ellerbeck View Castle House Lane Demolition of existing buildings and erection of 6 no. dwellings and conversion of existing office to bungalow with on-site parking. It was resolved to submit the following objections:

- the only access to the site is via Park Road. This road is already congested and over-capacity, and this was recognised in the recent consultation document for the new Chorley Local Plan.
- the application states that the site is contaminated. The Council would like reassurance that adequate measures would be taken to remedy this.

It was resolved that the following applications would be left for neighbours' comments:

12/01100/FUL 46A Westhoughton Road - Demolition of existing single storey rear extension and erection of new single storey rear/side extension

12/01097/FUL 4 Castle House Lane - Erection of single storey extension to rear elevation and provision of pitched roof over existing flat roof garage

- 12/01108/FUL 8 Mornington Road - Erection of single storey rear extension and new garage
- 12/01102/FUL 8 Sutton Lane - Single storey rear extensions and alteration

6.3 **Applications Permitted**

- 12/00663/FUL Adlington Conservative Club Railway Road - Redevelopment of former Conservative Club to outdoor car sales and showroom
- 12/00930/FUL 42 Westhoughton Road - Retrospective permission for the erection of a detached garage
- 12/00962/FUL88A Fairview Drive Conservatory to rear of detached dwelling

7 **Items for Discussion**

- 7.1 It was resolved to submit a response to the LCC Strategy for the Provision of School Places and Schools' Capital Investment 2013/14 to 2015/16 consultation to express the concern that provision has not been made for the potentially large increase in housing in Adlington, and that this may lead to a shortage of primary school places and potentially to the use of temporary school accommodation if the developments go ahead.
- 7.2 Cllrs Croft, Hart, Lee, and Lowe are all willing to be the Council's representative at the Neighbourhood Area meetings. It was resolved that a decision would be made at the next Council meeting in January.
- 7.3 It was resolved that each Councillor would send a new format register of interest form to Chorley Council after the Annual Meeting in May as usual, unless Chorley Council indicate that this needs to be done sooner.
- 7.4 It was resolved to contact Bellway to establish the proposed opening date and maintenance of the new Park and Ride facility adjacent to Adlington railway station
- 7.5 It was resolved to continue with the new format of the Update as designed by Cllr Smethurst, as it was considered to be a clear and attractive layout
- 7.6 There were no other matters requiring consideration.

8 **Items for Information**

The Clerk summarised the subjects covered at the recent Clerks' Liaison meeting, including Social Networking, the Tax Base calculation and the need for Councillors to be granted dispensation to discuss the precept at the next Town Council meeting. The minutes will be circulated when these are available.

The meeting closed at 8.40pm