

**MINUTES OF 1134TH MEETING
OF HOGHTON PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON 16TH JULY 2018
AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH HALL.**

**PRESENT: - COUNCILLOR T. GREENWOOD (CHAIRMAN) COUNCILLORS
J.BALDWIN,Ms Y. HARGREAVES, MRS S. LONG, AND B. MATTOCK AND
MR. T. HARKNESS (CLERK).**

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE SPECIAL SERGEANT S.BULLOCK AND THREE
MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:**

430. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Apologies for absence were submitted from the Vice Chairman (Councillor N. Peter) and Councillor Ms M.Urry.

431. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL/PREJUDICIAL INTEREST:

The Clerk reminded Members of their responsibility to declare any personal interest in respect of matters on the agenda in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 2000, the Council's Constitution and the Members Code of Conduct. No one made a declaration at this stage.

432. MINUTES:

The Minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 18th June 2018 having been previously circulated were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

433. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION:

**THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PRESENT REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING
MATTER.**

WAR MEMORIAL:

Chorley Council had confirmed that planning permission was not required for either the flagpole and silhouette and did not impact on the heritage of the site. Arrangements were being made to erect.

The Land Agent for the de Hoghton Estate had been informed.

Representatives from Hoghton WI attended the meeting to discuss the proposed commemoration of their 90th Anniversary.

They agreed to sponsor the Silent Soldier Silhouette to be erected at the War Memorial to mark the event which coincided with the end of First World War..

Chorley Council had contacted the Vice Chairman (Councillor N. Peter) regarding the pending issue.

Some further minor work to complete the refurbishment work was still to be carried out, the Vice Chairman was arranging for this to be done. However, he had not been able to contact the Contractors. Members felt that in view of the delay alternative

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contractors should be approached. The Clerk would discuss this with the Vice Chairman.

AS THERE WAS NO FURTHER ISSUES RAISED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THE PARISH COUNCIL CONTINUED WITH THE BUSINESS ON THE AGENDA.

434. POLICE REPORT:

(A). LIAISON:

Special Sergeant Bullock reported on policing in the area including monitoring of the revised speed limit on Hoghton Lane.

The Chairman (Councillor T. Greenwood) asked if there had been any progress on the police request for a dog bin on the side of the canal near the Boatyard Inn.

Sergeant Bullock indicated that despite requests to Chorley Council he had not received any response. He would contact them again.

(B). CONSUMER ALERTS – TRADING STANDARDS:

The Clerk submitted the latest consumer alerts from the County Council's Trading Standards Officer.

435. LALC REPORT:

The Clerk submitted the current newsletter.

He also reported that the LALC AGM would be held on 17th November 2018 at Howick House Penwortham.

Notification of delegates was required by 26th October 2018 and details of any resolutions to be considered at the Annual Meeting were required by 5th October 2018.

The appointment of delegates and the consideration of any resolutions to the AGM was deferred to the next meeting.

436. HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS:

(A) HOGHTON LANE TRAFFIC SPEEDS:

The signs relating to the revised speed limit had been erected. However one of the signs was obscured by a tree branch and this had been reported to the County Council. The Chairman (Councillor T. Greenwood) informed the Parish Council that some cutting back of the tree had taken place.

(B). POTHoles:

It was reported that the potholes at the potholes at the Village Hall and at Riley Green were still to be repaired.

(C). BUS SHELTER - BOARS HEAD:

The County Council had been requested to cut back of the trees in the grass verge near the bus shelter and the Village Hall Management Committee had been asked to relocate the Cricket Sight Screens.

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(D). DRAINS - QUAKER BROOK LANE:

The County Council had carried out further work to the drains and would continue to monitor the situation.

437. CHORLEY COUNCIL REPORT:

There were no matters affecting the Parish Council.

438. PLANNING REPORT:

(A). DECISIONS.

The Clerk reported that planning permission had been granted for a development in Quaker Brook Lane since the last meeting of the Parish Council.

(B). APPLICATIONS:

The Clerk reported that an application had been received to vary the conditions of a development on Hoghton Lane. Details were circulated to all Members and no observations were made. The Clerk would notify Chorley Council.

(C). FRACKING:

The Clerk circulated a copy of a letter from the CPRE regarding a petition objecting to Government proposals to allow the fast tracking of fracking.

439. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:

The Clerk submitted the following account for payment.

1.A. Harkness	Clerk - Salary and Expenses - April to June 2018 .	£676.18
2. HMRC	Tax on Salary and Expenses	£130.00
3. Holy Trinity Church	Use of Hall April May and June 2018.	£60.00

The Accounts were agreed and cheques signed.

440. GRANTS TO ORGANISATIONS:

The matter was deferred.

441. CRIPPLEGATE LANE - POND:

Chorley Council had agreed to tidy up the site, the Housing Association had been reminded of the need to repair the pavement on Cripplegate Lane.

The Chairman (Councillor T. Greenwood) had met a tree surgeon on site and discussed various alternatives.

Quotations would be submitted to the Clerk. In the meantime Chorley Council would be notified of the alternatives regarding the tree and asked for their views.

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442. GDPR:

The Clerk reported that following amendments to the legislation Parish Councils were exempt from the requirement to appoint a data protection officer.

443. FORMER COUNCILLOR DICKINSON - BENCH:

Following the decision at the last meeting to provide a bench at the Pinfold as a memorial to former Councillor David Dickinson for his services to the Parish.

It was suggested that a more appropriate alternative would be to put a suitable plaque on the bench near the War Memorial to reflect his connections with it.

444. VAT REPAYMENT:

The Clerk reported that HMRC had agreed the VAT claim for 2017/18 of £326.00 and this had been paid into the Parish Council Bank Account.

445. CHORLEY LIAISON MEETING:

The next Liaison meeting would be held on Wednesday 18th July at 6.30 p.m. at Chorley Town Hall. Councillor Ms Urry would attend.

446. ELECTORAL REVIEW:

The Clerk circulated details of the public consultation relating to the Electoral Review of Chorley Council. The consultation period would end on 3rd September 2018.

447. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Monday 17th September 2018 at 7.30. p.m. at Holy Trinity Parish Church Hall .

There being no further business the Chairman (Councillor T. Greenwood) declared the meeting closed at 8.20. p.m.

**SIGNED
CHAIRMAN**

17TH SEPTEMBER 2018.