

**MINUTES OF 1122ND MEETING OF  
HOGHTON PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD ON 19TH JUNE 2017  
AT THE HOLY TRINITY  
PARISH CHURCH HALL.**

**PRESENT:** - COUNCILLOR T. GREENWOOD (CHAIRMAN) COUNCILLORS J.BALDWIN, MRS S. LONG, AND Ms M. URRY AND MR. T. HARKNESS (CLERK).

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:** ONE MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC.

**225. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:**

Apologies for absence were submitted from The Vice Chairman (Councillor N. Peter) Councillors Ms Y Hargreaves and B. Mattock.

**226. 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.

**227. MINUTES:**

The Minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 15th May 2017 having been previously circulated were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman (Councillor T.Greenwood).

**228. ADJOURNMENT:**

**THERE THEN FOLLOWED AN ADJOURNMENT TO ALLOW THE PUBLIC TO RAISE ISSUES AND QUESTION THE PARISH COUNCIL REGARDING MATTERS DEALT WITH. THE MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC PRESENT DID NOT RAISE ANY MATTERS AND THE PARISH COUNCIL CONTINUED WITH THE BUSINESS ON THE AGENDA.**

**229. POLICE REPORT:**

**(A). LIAISON:**

The Police did not attend. The Chairman (Councillor T.Greenwood) referred to the recent robbery at the Post Office and the spate of thefts in the area.

At a previous meeting Councillor Ms Urry reported a number of static caravans were located at Finnington Lane. The Clerk had contacted Chorley Council about this. The matter was still under investigation by the Planning Enforcement Officer.

**(B). CONSUMER ALERTS – TRADING STANDARDS:**

The Clerk circulated a copy of the latest consumer alerts from the County Council's Trading Standards Officer.

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### **230. LALC REPORT:**

The Clerk reported that no newsletter had been issued since the last meeting of the Parish Council.

### **231. HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS:**

#### **(A) HOGHTON LANE TRAFFIC SPEEDS:**

The Clerk reported that the County Council had indicated that following Police concerns regarding the initial 30mph proposal an alternative 40mph limit extending from the existing 30mph section was recommended. Initially this was proposed to be forwarded to consultation during early 2017 however the continuing progression of a number of major town centre schemes and priority regulation orders within the county has resulted in delays in the current Traffic Regulation Order programme and it was now envisaged that the consultation would take place in June 2017 and be completed as part of the 2017/18 financial year.

These proposals for a Speed Limit Order would be advertised in local newspapers and formally consulted on. Anyone could object to, or support, any of the proposed traffic orders. Comments must be submitted before the end of the consultation period, which would be clearly stated in each order. At the end of the consultation period, all feedback would be considered for a decision on the implementation of the order.

The precise date of the consultation was not known. The Clerk would publish notices when available.

Councillor Ms Urry referred to the proximity of the different speed signs on Houghton Lane.

#### **(B). MOULDEN BROW:**

The Clerk reported details of a proposed temporary road closure on Moulden Brow on the 10th July 2017 until 28th July 2017 to enable carriageway surface dressing works to take place.

#### **(C). GIB LANE - NAMEPLATE:**

The Clerk reported that the nameplate had been removed from one of the street signs at Gib Lane. He had reported this to Chorley Council.

#### **(D). VILLAGE HALL SIGN:**

The Chairman (Councillor T. Greenwood) reported that the Village Hall sign had once again been dislodged and was on the grass verge.

The Clerk would notify the County Council.

#### **(E). GIANT HOGWEED:**

Councillor Ms Urry reported that giant hogweed was growing in the grass verge on Houghton Lane and in Brindle Lodge.

The Clerk would request the County Council to arrange for its removal.

### **232. CHORLEY COUNCIL REPORT:**

A report was presented on matters affecting the Parish Council.

### **233. PLANNING REPORT:**

#### **(A). DECISIONS.**

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The Clerk reported that no decisions had been made since the last meeting of the Parish Council.

### **(B). APPLICATIONS:**

The Clerk reported that the following applications had been received since the last meeting of the Parish Council.

1. Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of new one Woodview 63 Chapel Lane. (App no 17/00571/FUL) Applicant Mr and Mrs Hill.

2. Neighbouring Local Planning Authority Application Section 73 application to vary conditions 14 (surface water drainage strategy) and 16 (phasing of drainage works) attached to planning application 15/00475/OUTMAJ to include reference to the flood risk assessment. Star Paper Mill Moulden Brow.(App no 17/00520/OUTMAJ) Applicant Blackburn Waterside Regeneration Ltd.

3. Agricultural determination for the erection of agricultural building and formation of agricultural track Brookhouse Farm Hoghton Lane (App no 17/00558/AGR) Applicant Mr Walmsley.

Details of these applications had been circulated to all Members and no observations were made .

The Clerk would inform Chorley Council.

### **(C). ADJOINING LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY APPLICATION:**

The Clerk reported that the application for the erection of 78 dwellings (including 39 affordable homes) with associated access and landscaping land at Olive Farm and land north of Methuen Drive would be considered by South Ribble Council Planning Committee on 20th June 2017. The application was recommended for approval. A copy of the report to the Planning Committee was circulated. .

### **234. ACCOUNT FOR PAYMENT:**

The Clerk submitted the following account for payment.

1.Brindle Parish Council	Annual Apportioned Stationery and Equipment Costs..	£193.98
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### **235. VAT REPAYMENT:-**

The Clerk reported that VAT for 2016/17 had been reclaimed amounting to £90.96.

### **236. REVIEW OF INTERNAL AUDIT SYSTEM:**

The Clerk circulated a report dealing with a review of the Parish Councils Internal Audit System.

The review was accepted

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### **237. RISK ASSESSMENT:**

The Chairman (Councillor T.Greenwood) and the Clerk had made a health and safety risk assessment inspection of the notice boards, benches and the Pinfold on 8th June 2016.

The notice boards were generally in good condition but some of the benches required attention.

The Clerk also submitted a risk assessment report in respect of the Council's Financial Systems which was accepted.

The Clerk would arrange for maintenance work to the benches.

### **238. WAR MEMORIAL:**

The Chairman (Councillor T.Greenwood) reported on the discussions at the site meeting held on 2nd June 2017 with the Chorley Council project officer.

The Parish Council's proposals for the phase 2 restoration of the project were submitted and would now be considered by Chorley Council.

The Clerk indicated the anticipated level of funding. Councillor Mrs Long queried this and offered to discuss this with the officers at Chorley.

He also reported that Armed Forces Day would be held on 24th June 2017.

### **239. CRIPPLEGATE LANE - POND:**

The Chairman (Councillor T. Greenwood) reminded the Parish Council that Chorley Council's Eastern Parishes Neighbourhood Committee had approved a project in the current years improvement programme. He considered that the site was in a neglected condition and there was an infestation of rats and flies which had been reported to the Environmental Health Officer.

The project officer had been contacted and had suggested a site meeting in late July. It was felt that an earlier meeting should be held. Councillor Mrs Long would speak to Chorley Council about an earlier meeting.

### **240. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**

Monday 17th July 2017 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 8.05. p.m.

**SIGNED  
CHAIRMAN**

**17TH JULY 2017.**