

**MINUTES OF 1118TH MEETING OF  
HOGHTON PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD ON 20TH MARCH 2017  
AT THE HOLY TRINITY  
PARISH CHURCH HALL.**

**PRESENT:** - COUNCILLOR N. PETER (VICE CHAIRMAN) IN THE CHAIR, COUNCILLORS J. BALDWIN, Ms Y. HARGREAVES, B. MATTOCK, AND Ms M. URRY AND MR. T. HARKNESS (CLERK).

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:** DISTRICT COUNCILLOR MRS S. LONG AND ONE MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC.

**168. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:**

Apologies for absence was submitted from The Chairman (Councillor T. Greenwood) and County Councillor A. Cullens.

**COUNCILLOR T. GREENWOOD:**

It was reported that the Chairman (Councillor T. Greenwood) had had surgery recently.

The Parish Council wished him a speedy recovery.

**169. 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.

**170. MINUTES:**

The Minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 20th February 2017 having been previously circulated were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman of the Meeting (Councillor N. Peter).

**171. ADJOURNMENT:**

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

**172. FILLING OF VACANCY:**

The Clerk reported that following advertisement of the vacancy by Chorley Council no names had been put forward for election to the Parish Council and the vacancy could now be filled by co-option.

A notice would be published inviting nominations for co-option.

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### **173. POLICE REPORT:**

#### **(A). LIAISON:**

The Police did not attend.

Councillor Ms Urry referred to three recent road traffic accidents on Hoghton Lane.

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

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

### **174. LALC REPORT:**

The Clerk circulated the current newsletter.

Councillor Ms Hargreaves reported on the Parish and Town Councils Conference on 25th February 2017.

The Clerk reported that the LALC Spring Conference would be held at the Leyland Hotel on 13th May 2017. The event would be free of charge to members of LALC.

A decision on the appointment of delegates to the Conference would be made at the next meeting.

### **175. HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS:**

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

The consultation on the reduction in the speed limit on Hoghton Lane was still awaited. The Clerk circulated comments from the Highways Authority which seemed to contradict the earlier information.

The Clerk would seek clarification on the matter.

#### **(B). FLOODING - CHAPEL LANE :**

The Chairman of the meeting (Councillor N. Peter) reported on the current situation.

The County Council would be requested to make the scheme to alleviate flooding in Chapel Lane a priority in their Highways Maintenance Programme 2017/18.

#### **(C). SPEEDING TRAFFIC - GIB LANE:**

The speed survey had confirmed that speeding was evident and the police would now undertake monitoring of the situation.

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

It was reported that a new sign had been erected.

#### **(E). CARRIAGEWAY A675 RILEY GREEN:**

At the last meeting Councillor Ms Urry referred to the condition of the road surface on the stretch of this road from the speed limit sign to the traffic lights at Moulden Brow.

The road had been earmarked for repair but nothing had been done and the condition of the road was deteriorating.

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It was reported that the County Council had included a project in the Maintenance of Highways Assets Programme 2017/18.

### **(F). GULLIES:**

Councillor Ms Urry expressed concern about the state of the gullies on Hoghton Lane and felt there should be a regular maintenance programme.

The County Council had produced a map of gullies in the Parish and a maintenance schedule.

The Clerk would obtain a copy of the map and schedule to send to all Members.

### **176. CHORLEY COUNCIL REPORT:**

District Councillor Mrs Long reported on matters affecting the Parish Council and referred to the problems with making payments for waste collection bins by phone. Arrangements had been made to resolve the issue.

### **177. PLANNING REPORT:**

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

The Clerk reported the following decisions had been made since the last meeting of the Parish Council.

1. Erection of shed, demolition and removal of three existing sheds used for the same purpose which have reached the end of life Trinity Cottage Valley Road (App no 16/01019/FUL) Applicant Mr. Price. - Granted.
2. Proposed construction of fish pass to allow fish to migrate in both directions past Hoghton Weir Viaduct Road (App no 16/01018/FUL) Applicant Ribble Rivers Trust. - Granted.
3. Proposed ground floor extension with open porch and the addition of two first floor dormers to north east elevation Spring Bank Viaduct Road (App no 17/00030/FUL) Applicant Mr. Quail. - Granted.
4. Proposed demolition of rear conservatory, rear external wall and rear single storey extension. Adding render and timber cladding to house. Front floor bay window alteration, installation of ground floor window and replacement of existing windows 4 Station Road (App no 17/00028/FULHH). Applicant Mr Bannon.- Granted.

#### **(B). APPLICATION:**

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

1. Certificate of lawfulness for the erection of a single storey rear extension and a single storey side extension Oak Lea Quaker Brook Lane.(App no 17/00215/CLPUD) Applicant Mr. Kilner.

Details had been circulated to all Members of the Parish Council and no comments had been made.

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The Clerk had informed Chorley Council.

The Chairman of the Meeting (Councillor N. Peter ) reported that an application had been made to South Ribble Council 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.

The Parish Council had not been consulted on this application. The Parish Council was concerned about the size of the development and felt there were access problems.

The Clerk would seek further details and circulate them to all Members for comment.

### **(C). SIRLOIN:**

It was reported that the advertising boards had been removed.

### **(D) CENTRAL LANCASHIRE EMPLOYMENT LAND STUDY - CONSULTATION:**

The Clerk submitted a consultation notification relating to the supply and demand for employment sites and premises. The Consultation Period was from 8th March to 21st April 2017.

No comments were made.

### **178. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:**

The Clerk reported there were no accounts for payment.

### **179. BANK ACCOUNTS:**

The Clerk reported the closure of the National Savings Account and the transfer of the funds to the Parish Council's current account..

### **180. CHORLEY LIAISON:**

Councillor Ms Urry reported on the meeting of the Chorley Liaison Committee held on 15th March 2017.

### **181. WAR MEMORIAL:**

The Clerk reported that Chorley Council had revisited the ponding issue and it had been resolved. The Parish Council would meet to discuss proposals for phase 2 of the work to the War Memorial. They would then discuss the proposals with Chorley Council. The Neighbourhood Meeting of the Eastern Parishes had recommended to the Cabinet that funding should be made for phase two of the project.

The Vice Chairman (Councillor N. Peter) suggested that the Parish Council consider enhancements to the area to make it more community based..

### **182. MAINTENANCE CONTRACT:**

The Clerk reported increases in the cost of the Annual Maintenance of the Pinfold, War Memorial and benches, The increases were accepted.

### **183. NEIGHBOURHOOD AREA MEETING - EASTERN PARISHES:**

The Clerk reported on the meeting of the Eastern Parishes held on Wednesday

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9th February 2017 when in addition to the funding of the Second Phase of the War Memorial the maintenance of the pond at Cripplegate Lane these had been agreed by Chorley Cabinet and officers appointed to lead the projects.

So far as the story board at the Pinfold was concerned officers from Chorley would liaise with the Parish Council to progress the project.

### **184. ROYAL VOLUNTARY SERVICE :**

The Clerk reported details of the campaign by the RVS to recruit more volunteers in Chorley and South Ribble . Notices would be displayed on the Parish Council notice boards..

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

Monday 24th April 2017 the Annual Parish Meeting at 7.30. p.m. to be followed by the normal meeting of the Parish Council at Holy Trinity Parish Church Hall.

There being no further business the Chairman of the meeting (Councillor N. Peter) declared the meeting closed at 8.45. p.m.

**SIGNED  
CHAIRMAN**

**24TH APRIL 2017.**