

# MINUTES OF 1135TH MEETING OF HOGHTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 17TH SEPTEMBER 2018 AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH HALL.

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

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE - TWELVE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:**

**448. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE:**

An apology for absence was submitted from Councillor Ms Y.Hargreaves.

**449. 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.

**450. MINUTES:**

The Minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 16th July 2018 having been previously circulated were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**451. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION:  
THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PRESENT REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING  
MATTER.**

**PLANNING APPLICATION:**

The members of the public present were concerned regarding the implications for the area arising from this application. They agreed to submit letters of objection along the following lines.

- > " 1. Road Safety
- > It was felt that the construction of an additional junction would add to the traffic hazards already experienced in this area. Two junctions are not sustainable.
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- > 2. Access Road.
- > It was understood this was to be constructed on Green Belt land.
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- > 3. Future Development.
- > The application if granted would set a precedent for future housing development. There is already over capacity in Chorley.
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- > 4. Wildlife
- > The development would have a significant affect on the wildlife in the area.

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5. Environment.

> There would be a loss of privacy and light for existing properties.

6. Infrastructure

The development would have a detrimental effect on the local services such as schools, and national health services.”

It was also felt that there has been a distinct lack of consultation locally.

> The planning department would be asked to confirm confirm that this application would be considered by the Planning Committee and not delegated to officers to decide.

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> The Parish Council would comment similarly on the proposal.

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

### **452. POLICE REPORT:**

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

The police were not present.

The Parish Council was informed of the current situation regarding regarding the proposed provision of a dog bin on the side of the canal near the Boatyard Inn.

A recent break in at a premises near The Boars Head was reported.

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

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

### **453. LALC REPORT:**

The Clerk submitted a copy of the Annual Accounts.

He also reminded the Parish Council that the 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 Parish Council was requested to consider the appointment of delegates and the consideration of any resolutions to the AGM.

No nominations or resolutions were made.

Notification of the County Council’s Parish and Town Council to be held on 24th November was circulated.

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### **454. HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS:**

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

The Parish Council was reminded that the revised speed limit was now in operation.

#### **(B). POTHoles:**

The pothole at the Village Hall had been earmarked for repair but the road surface at Riley Green still needed attention.

#### **(C). BUS SHELTER - BOARS HEAD:**

The sight screens had been relocated but work was still required to the trees near the bus shelter.

#### **(D). FOOTPATH 11 MODIFICATION:**

The Clerk circulated details of a proposal to amend the line of the footpath.

#### **(E). RAILWAY CROSSING - STATION ROAD:**

Local residents had indicated that following recent maintenance work at the crossing, the warning siren was extremely loud.

The Clerk would contact Network Rail to see if the noise from the siren could be lowered.

#### **(F). BRINDLE LODGE:**

It was reported that work was being carried out to the foot bridge in Brindle Lodge and that repair work was required to the footpath.

The Clerk would report this to the Countryside Service.

### **455. CHORLEY COUNCIL REPORT:**

A copy of a report to Chorley Council indicating the current situation regarding the Boundary Commission consultation was circulated. There were no other matters affecting the Parish Council.

### **456. PLANNING REPORT:**

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

Planning permission had been granted for developments at Riley Green, and in Houghton Lane since the last meeting of the Parish Council.

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

Applications had been received for developments at Brindle Bar, Moulden Brow, Quaker Brook Lane and Viaduct Road.

Details were circulated to all Members and no observations were made. The Clerk would notify Chorley Council.

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### (C). CENTRAL LANCASHIRE CALL FOR SITES:

A consultation document was submitted from the Central Lancashire Team inviting the Parish Council to identify sites in the area for possible future development.

The Central Lancashire Team would be informed that the Parish Council does not consider there are any sites for development in this area.

### 457. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:

The Clerk submitted the following accounts for payment.

1.Whitehead and Aldrich	Payroll Administration	£43.20
2. D.Metcalf	Website Renewal	£110.23
3. A. Harkness	Plaque for Bench.	£49.99.
4. CPRE	Annual Subscription 2018/19	£36.00
5.Holy Trinity Church	Hire of Room July and September 2018	£40.00

The accounts were agreed and cheques signed.

### 458. AUTUMN CLUB GRANT:

The Clerk submitted a grant application from the Autumn Club a grant of £100 was made.

### 458. WAR MEMORIAL:

The Parish Council was informed of the present position regarding the ponding issue.

The Silent Soldier Silhouette had been erected and the Houghton WI having agreed to sponsor it had paid a cheque for £100.00 to the Parish Council.

It was suggested that a dedication ceremony should take place, the Clerk would liaise with the WI regarding this.

The base for the flagpole had been inserted.

Discussions had taken place regarding the appropriate occasions when the flag should be flown. Details would be passed on to the Scouts.

Ribble Valley Stone Masons had completed the additional work to the War Memorial at a cost of £375.00.A cheque was signed for this amount.

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### **460. CRIPPLEGATE LANE SITE:**

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.

There had been a meeting with Chorley Council and the Tree Surgeon regarding work required to a tree on the site. It was also recommended that additional tree work should be carried out.

Quotations had been submitted to the Clerk.

It was agreed to discuss this matter further with Chorley Council

### **461. WREATH LAYING CEREMONY SUNDAY 11TH NOVEMBER 2018:**

The Parish Council had received an invitation from the Churchwardens of Holy Trinity Church for the Parish Council to attend the Remembrance Day Service. The arrangements for the wreath laying ceremony were as in previous years. The party would assemble on the car park of Holy Trinity Church leaving at 9.50 a.m. to walk in procession down to the cenotaph for a short service. After the Act of Remembrance the party would return to the church for the service at 10 30 a.m.

The Chairman of the Parish Council would read a lesson during the service. The Clerk would arrange for the wreath.

The Clerk would also arrange for the War Memorial to be tidied up before the Remembrance Day Service and ask Chorley Council to arrange for the road to be swept. The Police had also been asked to control the event.

Members would be reminded of the arrangements nearer the time.

As this year marked the end of the First World War members of the Parish Church congregation had knitted poppy wreaths to go in church. It was also considered that some of these could be located at the War Memorial. The Church had asked the Parish Council for its permission. This was agreed.

It was also suggested that Houghton WI should be asked if they wished to lay a wreath on Remembrance Day.

The Clerk would consult them about this.

### **462. FORMER COUNCILLOR DICKINSON - BENCH:**

A dedication ceremony would be held at the same time as the Commemoration Ceremony for the Silent Soldier.

### **463. CHORLEY LIAISON MEETING:**

A report was presented on the Liaison meeting held on Wednesday 18th July 2018 at Chorley Town Hall.

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

Monday 15th October 2018 at 7.30. p.m. at Holy Trinity Parish Church Hall .

## **HOGHTON PARISH COUNCIL – 17TH SEPTEMBER 2018**

There being no further business the Chairman (Councillor T. Greenwood) declared the meeting closed at 9.05. p.m.

**SIGNED  
CHAIRMAN**

**15TH OCTOBER 2018.**