

**MINUTES OF 1146TH MEETING
OF HOGHTON PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON 16TH SEPTEMBER 2019
AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH HALL.**

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

628. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE:

An apologies for absence were submitted from Councillor J. Baldwin.

629. 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.

630. MINUTES:

The Minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 15th July 2019 having been previously circulated were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman (Councillor T.Greenwood).

631. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION:

AS THERE WERE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PRESENT THE PARISH COUNCIL CONTINUED WITH THE BUSINESS ON THE AGENDA.

632. POLICE REPORT:

(A). LIAISON:

The police were not present. Reference was made to the recent road traffic accident.

(B). CONSUMER ALERTS – TRADING STANDARDS:

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

633. LALC REPORT:

The Clerk informed the Parish Council that the LALC AGM would be held on 23rd November 2019 at Howick House Penwortham.

Notification of delegates was required by 8th November 2019 and details of any resolutions to be considered at the Annual Meeting were required by 11th October 2019.

The Parish Council was requested to consider the appointment of delegates and the consideration of any resolutions to the AGM.

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No resolutions were made. Consideration would be given at the next meeting to the appointment of delegates.

Details of a government consultation was submitted regarding the proposed amendment of permitted development rights on extending 5G mobile provision in rural areas

634. HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS:

(A). GIB LANE:

The Chairman (Councillor T. Greenwood) reported that some work had been carried to the footways in Gib Lane but further work was required.

(B). CHAPEL LANE - FLOODING:

The Chairman (Councillor T. Greenwood) reported that flooding had occurred again in Chapel Lane. This had been reported to the County Council.

(C). FOOTPATHS:

At the last meeting it was reported that parts of the footpath in Brindle Lodge were overgrown and this had been reported to the Footpaths Officer.

The footpath at the Boars Head required attention.

It was also reported that the hedge near the former telephone box on Station Road was overgrown.

The Clerk would report these issues to the County Footpaths Officer.

(D). CHAPEL FOLD - SIGN:

A No Through Road sign had been requested at Chapel Fold and this had been referred to the County Council.

(E). QUAKER BROOK LANE:

It was reported that people were using an area of land at the corner of Quaker Brook Lane as an unauthorised footpath.

The issue would be discussed with the County Footpaths Officer.

635. CHORLEY COUNCIL REPORT:

A report was presented on matters affecting the Parish Council.

636. PLANNING REPORT:

(A). DECISIONS.

An application to discharge conditions for a development at Riley Green had been refused since the last meeting of the Parish Council and an application for development at The Straits had been approved.

With regard to the development at The Straits it was suggested street lighting be provided on the footpath to be retained under the terms of the planning permission

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and that the hedge on the corner of The Straits and Quaker Brook Lane be removed to improve the visibility for traffic.

The Clerk would approach the applicant regarding this.

(B). APPLICATIONS:

No applications for development had been received since the last meeting of the Parish Council.

637. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:

The Clerk submitted the following accounts for payment.

1. Whitehead and Aldrich	Payroll administration quarter ended 30th June 2019.	£48.00.
2. Holy Trinity Parish Church	Hire of Hall - July and September 2019	£40.00

The Accounts were agreed and cheques signed.

638. AUTUMN CLUB GRANT:

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

639. WAR MEMORIAL:

The Vice Chairman (Councillor N. Peter) reported the current position regarding the flooding problem.

The Clerk would request an update on the situation.

640. CRIPPLEGATE LANE :

The Chairman (Councillor T. Greenwood) reported the current situation regarding the rat infestation reported at the last meeting of the Parish Council.

It was felt that measures should be taken to prevent the issue arising in the future.

The Clerk would approach the Environmental Officer and the Chief Legal Officer about this.

The Chorley Council had indicated that the previous maintenance work was undertaken as a one off project under the Eastern Parishes initiative.

Following discussions with the contractor who maintained the Pinfold and the benches the Chairman (Councillor T. Greenwood) and the Vice Chairman (Councillor N. Peter) had accepted a quotation of £50.00 per cut for the maintenance of the grassed area in Cripplegate Lane.

It was felt that the overgrown trees were also a problem and required attention.

The Clerk would contact Chorley Council to see what if any action could be taken.

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The Neighbourhood Area Meeting - Eastern Parishes would be asked to consider a project to fill in the pond.

641. NOTICE BOARDS:

The Clerk informed the Parish Council that an estimate of £360.00 had been submitted for the fitting of a lockable door to one section of the Boars Head notice board and the refurbishment of the notice board at the Post Office site.

Details had been circulated to all Members prior to any work being undertaken. the cost had been agreed and Harry Fowler Joinery had been asked to carry out the work.

The Clerk submitted a request from a resident of Riley Green that doors be provided to the notice board at Riley Green. The request was agreed and the contractor would be asked to do the work subject to a satisfactory quotation.

642. DEFIBRILLATOR:

The Clerk informed the Parish Council that Holy Trinity Parish Church was proposing to install a defibrillator at the Church and had asked for information and assistance.

He had contacted the organiser of the provision of a defibrillator at Top oth Lane Brindle regarding the grants applications and the training required to operate the defibrillator and had referred him to the representatives of the Church.

It was agreed to await further developments.

643. CONSULTATIONS:

No Consultation documents were submitted.

644. CHORLEY/PARISH LIAISON MEETING:

The next meeting would be held at Chorley Town Hall on Wednesday 16th October 2019. Councillor Ms Urry would attend on behalf of the Parish Council.

645. WREATH LAYING CEREMONY SUNDAY 10TH NOVEMBER 2019:

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.

He reminded the Parish Council that it would be necessary to get a Temporary Road Closure Order and had applied to Chorley Council.

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The Police had also been asked to control the event.

Members would be reminded of the arrangements nearer the time.
It was also suggested that Hoghton WI should be asked if they wished to lay a wreath on Remembrance Day.

646. PINFOLD:

It was reported that unauthorised mowing of the Pinfold was taking place giving the appearance that part of the land belonged to the properties in Green Lane.

The matter would be investigated.

647. LEEDS - LIVERPOOL CANAL - DOG FOULING:

Severe dog fouling was reported on the canal side. The Dog Warden at Chorley had been asked to investigate.

648. TEEPEES:

The current situation regarding the teepees at Bolton Road was discussed.

The Parish Council would continue to monitor the situation.

649. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Monday 21st October 2019 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 8.35. p.m.

**SIGNED
CHAIRMAN**

21ST OCTOBER 2019.