

**MINUTES OF 1123RD MEETING OF  
HOGHTON PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD ON 17TH JULY 2017  
AT THE HOLY TRINITY  
PARISH 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).

**241. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE:**

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

**242. 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.

**243. MINUTES:**

The Minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 19th June 2017 having been previously circulated were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman (Councillor T.Greenwood).

**244. ADJOURNMENT:**

**THERE THEN FOLLOWED AN ADJOURNMENT TO ALLOW THE PUBLIC TO RAISE ISSUES AND QUESTION THE PARISH COUNCIL REGARDING MATTERS DEALT WITH. AS THERE WERE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PRESENT THE PARISH COUNCIL CONTINUED WITH THE BUSINESS ON THE AGENDA.**

**245. POLICE REPORT:**

**(A). LIAISON:**

The Police did not attend.

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.

Reference was made to the presentation made to the Neighbourhood Services - Eastern Parishes Meeting on 4th July 2017 regarding the re-organisation of policing in Chorley and South Ribble.

**(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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### **246. LALC REPORT:**

The Clerk submitted the current newsletter.

He also reported that the LALC AGM would be held on 18th November 2017 at County Hall Preston.

Notification of delegates was required by 27th October 2017 and details of any resolutions to be considered at the Annual Meeting were required by 18th October 2017.

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

The next meeting of the Chorley Area Committee would be held on 19th October 2017 at Chorley Town Hall.

### **247. HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS:**

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

The Clerk reported that there was still no indication as to when the County Council would undertake the public consultation on an alternative 40mph limit extending from the existing 30mph section.

Councillor Mattock was concerned that the consultation exercise could be missed by local residents.

County Councillor Snowden would be asked to investigate the delay.

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

The Vice Chairman (Councillor N. Peter) reported the current situation following staff changes at the County Council.

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

At the last meeting the Clerk had reported that the nameplate had been removed from one of the street signs at Gib Lane. Chorley Council was arranging for it to be replaced.

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

The Chairman (Councillor T. Greenwood) had reported that the Village Hall sign had once again been dislodged and was on the grass verge. The Clerk had notified the County Council. They had indicated it would be reinstated within the next 8 weeks. It was hoped that the fittings would be more secure.

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

It was reported that the dates for the proposed temporary road closure on Moulden Brow scheduled for 10th to 28th July 2017 to enable carriageway surface dressing works to take place would now start on 29th July and end on 18th August 2017.

Councillor Ms Urry was concerned that the alternative routes were also affected by road works and there did not appear to be any co-ordination of them.

#### **(F). BENCHES:**

The Parish Council were reminded that the benches were being repainted.

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### **(G). OVERGROWN HEDGES:**

The Chairman (Councillor T. Greenwood) and Councillor Mattock reported overgrown hedges at Gib Lane and Hoghton Lane respectively.

The Clerk would contact ask the County Council and Chorley Council to arrange for the hedges to be cut back at the appropriate time.

### **248. CHORLEY COUNCIL REPORT:**

A report was presented on matters affecting the Parish Council.

### **249. PLANNING REPORT:**

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

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

1. Extension of detached garage Trinity Cottage Valley Road.(App no 17/00402/FUL) Applicant Mr Price - Granted.

2. Agricultural determination for erection of agricultural building and formation of agricultural track Brookhouse Farm Hoghton Lane.(App no 17/00558/AGR) Applicant Mr. Walmsley. - Prior application not required.

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

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

1. Application to discharge condition 28 (Intrusive investigative reports) attached to planning permission 15/00475/OUTMAJ - Outline application with all matters reserved,save for access, for a mixed use development comprising of up to 500 dwellings, B1 employment use,commercial use,community building,including structural planting,landscaping informal open space and associated ancillary works.

(the majority of the development is located within the boundary of Blackburn) Star Paper Mill Moulden Brow. (App no 17/00681/DIS) Applicant Blackburn Water Side Regeneration Ltd.

Details of the application had been circulated to all Members and no observations were made .

The Clerk would inform Chorley Council.

#### **(C). LICENSING APPLICATION:**

Temporary Event Notice 28th to 29th July 2017 Tallantine Farm Valley Road.

Details of the application had been circulated to all Members and no observations were made .

The Clerk would inform Chorley Council.

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

The Parish Council had considered this application at their last meeting and made no observations.

Correspondence was submitted from residents in Chapel Lane concerning the application and the comments made by the Parish Council.

The Parish Council had received plans of the development and were aware of its location.

They also noted references to speeding traffic on Chapel Lane and at the time had requested action by the County Council and the police regarding the matter.

### **(E). 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 considered by South Ribble Council Planning Committee on 20th June 2017 was refused. .

### **250. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:**

The Clerk submitted the following accounts for payment.

1.A. Harkness	Clerk - Salary and Expenses - April to June 2017 Costs..	£548.96
2. HMRC	Tax on Salary and Expenses	£105.00
3. Holy Trinity Church	Use of Hall April May and June 2017.	£60.00
4. CPRE	Annual Subscription	£36.00

The payments were authorised and cheques signed

### **251. APPLICATIONS FOR GRANT**

#### **(A). CHORLEY IN THE GREAT WAR ORGANISATION:.**

The Clerk submitted a request from the Secretary of this organisation for a grant towards the staging of an exhibition about the involvement of the two villages in the First World War at the Sirloin Inn Station Road Hoghton on Saturday 11th and Sunday 12th Remembrance Sunday, entry was free.

The Parish Council felt that this would create a precedent and decided not to make a donation on this occasion.

#### **(B) NEWSLETTERS**

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The Clerk reminded the Parish Council of its policy of making grants to Holy Trinity Parish Church and Brindle St. Joseph`s RC Church towards the cost of printing the Parish Council newsletter.

The Parish Council were reminded that Brindle St. Joseph`s no longer printed but that copies of the Parish Council Newsletter was made available to church members.

The Parish Council agreed to make grants of £100.00 to Holy Trinity Parish Church and £25.00 to Brindle St. Joseph`s RC Church and cheques were signed.

*The Chairman (Councillor T. Greenwood) and Councillors J. Baldwin and Ms M.Urry declared interests in the application from Brindle St. Joseph`s Church.*

### **252. WAR MEMORIAL:**

Councillor Mrs Long reported on the discussions held at the Neighbourhood Area Meeting - Eastern Parishes on 4th July 2017 when Chorley Council indicated they would be prepared to undertake the removal of the cobbles and provide a skip. She also reported that further consideration was to be given to the amount of grant to be made to the Parish Council for the phase 2 restoration of the project .

The Project officer was looking into the the provision of stone setts.

The Vice Chairman (Councillor N. Peter) reported on the current situation regarding the ponding and estimates for Phase 2. He reported the commemorative plaques on the Memorial itself required attention.

It was suggested that a co-ordinated scheme should be carried out each part to follow the other immediately.

The Vice Chairman (Councillor N. Peter) would produce a scheme with Estimates and look into the situation regarding the plaques

He would also try to progress the work required to resolve the ponding issue.

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

The Chairman (Councillor T. Greenwood) reported on the meeting held with Chorley Council officers on 4th July 2017 when it was agreed to the following action:-

- Tidy up site - grass cutting, scrubbing, weeding, shrub maintenance, trim all boundaries.
- Woodland management i.e. tree thinning, particularly in/around pond area.
- Reinstate picket fence - move into better position or replace.
- Resurface muddy area where ducks feed. Streetscene team to advise on suitable surface.
- Clean/refurbish 2 benches.
- Consider installing a picnic bench.
- Check maintenance schedule for grass/shrubs.
- Letters to residents to advise on project, encourage volunteer action to support tidy up, and to warn against feeding ducks due to rat problem.
- get a cost estimate for drainage survey/site levels survey

The Chairman (Councillor T. Greenwood) reported that the infestation problems persisted at the site.

The Clerk would ask Chorley to take urgent action regarding the infestation problems.

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### **254. SOCIAL ISOLATION PILOT PROJECT:**

The Clerk reported an approach by Chorley Council regarding participation by the Parish Council in a pilot project looking into social isolation within Hoghton.

There would not be any cost to the Parish Council but the Council would have to show what was known about social isolation in the area.

Councillor Ms Urry agreed to participate in the project on behalf of the Parish Council.

### **255. PARISH LIAISON COMMITTEE:**

The next meeting of the Liaison Committee would be held on Wednesday 19th July at 6.30 p.m at Chorley Town Hall. Councillor Ms Urry would attend.

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

Monday 18th September 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 8.35. p.m.

**SIGNED  
CHAIRMAN**

**18TH SEPTEMBER 2017.**