

CROSTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Meeting held on 12 September 2018 at 7.30 pm in The Old School, Croston.

Present Councillors A Peet (Chairman), K Almond, M Cowley, K Iddon and B Paillusson.

Also present 1 Member of the public.

89.18 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillors P Fenemore and G Stubbs.

90.18 Disclosure of Personal/Prejudicial Interests

Cllr Paillusson, as a committee member of Croston Community Centre, declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 6(ii) (Financial Matters).

91.18 Minutes of the Meeting held on the 11 July 2018

Resolved: the Minutes (as circulated) be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

Resolved: Standing Orders were suspended.

92.18 Public Participation

A resident raised concerns regarding the announced closure of the Royal Bank of Scotland branch. Councillors shared the concerns and the Bank is to be contacted advising of the concerns.

Lancashire County Council had confirmed that Town Bridge is to remain open to traffic.

Resolved: Standing Orders were restored.

93.18 Planning Matters

18/00676/FULHH Single storey rear extension, enlarged rear dormer and garage to rear at 27 Grape Lane

18/00679/FULHH Installation of solar panels to rear roof slope and dormer roof at Castle Bungalow, 2 Castle Walks

18/00702/FUL Erection of one dwelling following the demolition of the existing property at Highcroft, Highfield Road

18/00749/FULHH Construction of a glasshouse, tractor shed and potting shed against a new walled garden Croston Hall, Croston Hall Estate, Grape Lane

18/00834/FULHH Demolition of existing outbuildings and erection of new two storey extension at 21 Station Road

There were no objections to the above applications.

18/00773/FUL Erection of 1No. pair of semi-detached dwellings 127A Station Road

Resolved: an objection is to be submitted on the grounds of over intensity of development of the site and increased vehicle movements adding to existing problems in an already congested area.

94.18 Financial Matters

i) Councillors considered the monthly financial monitoring statement.

Resolved: the monitoring statement was received and accepted and signed by the Chairman.

ii) A grant request from Croston Community Centre towards the costs of staging a Lego Junior S.T.E.M. event was considered.

Resolved: a grant of £200 was awarded.

iii) Renewal of the Data Protection Registration is due in October. The Information Commissioner's Office offers a reduction from £40 to £35 for payment by direct debit.

Resolved: payment for Data Protection Registration via unspecified amount direct debit was approved.

iv) Resolved: the following payments were approved, the invoices having been inspected in accordance with fidelity guarantee requirements:

£ 464.19	Employee 1	Salary
£ 639.68	Employee 2	Salary and reimbursements
£ 49.60	HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE
£ 18.50	Croston Old School	Room hire
£ 395.00	DWG (NW)	Hedge cutting/car park maintenance
£ 490.00	Printwise	Newsletter printing
£ 60.00	L Ball	Newsletter delivery
£ 588.00	Countrywide Grounds Maintenance	Grass cutting
£ 200.00	Croston Community Centre	Grant
£ 35.00	Information Commissioner	Data protection registration

95.18 Recreation Ground Project

A request to set aside additional funding for the project is to cover a contributing third party payment required to access a £30000 grant was considered. Councillors also considered which budget the additional funding was to be vired from in the event of the grant being awarded.

Resolved: an additional £3300 is to be set aside and taken from the General Reserve if required.

96.18 Community Orchards

Councillors discussed a project to provide community orchards within the Borough. The verge at the Out Lane car park and an area of land on Riverside Crescent were suggested.

97.18 Central Lancashire Local Plan Review - Call for Sites consultation

A response to the Call for Sites consultation was considered. Suggestions for the retention of the Recreation Ground, Village Green, Riverside Crescent and The Croft Field as public open space were put forward.

98.18 Chorley Liaison Meeting

A request for agenda items for the next meeting was discussed. There were no suggestions.

99.18 Reports from Outside Bodies (for information only)

Representatives of Croston in Bloom have been invited to attend the Awards Ceremony for the North West in Bloom Competition. Members of the Group had taken part in clearing the river.

100.18 Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday 10 October 2018.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed.