

LONGTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT LONGTON LIBRARY ON 5TH MAY 2009

PRESENT:

Councillors Gooch, Artis, Underwood, Welch, McLoughlin, Wignall, Cunningham, Crighton and Worthington

1 member of the public was present.

39/09 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Cllr Gooch was elected as Chairman for the next 12 months

40/09 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN

Cllr Artis was elected as Vice Chairman for the next 12 months.

41/09 APOLOGIES

Cllrs Fox and Kershaw

42/09 MINUTES

It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting on the 7th May 2009 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

43/09 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Crighton declared a personal and prejudicial interest in item 13 on the agenda since it involved payment to her sons. She left the room during the debate and voting on this item.

44/09 ADJOURNMENT FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION

The meeting was adjourned for a period of public discussion.

It was mentioned that a planning application was expected with regard to the creation of rugby pitches and allied facilities on land opposite to the Dolphin.

Mention was made of the potential closure of leisure facilities to the public @ Priory High School. An item will be placed to the next agenda to discuss this issue.

The meeting was then re-convened.

45/09 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

2009/0154 – Erection of detached sun house to rear @ 2 Park Farm Close Longton PR4 5ZG

2009/0160 – Reserved Matters app. for conversion of existing post office to house and erection of 1 detached bungalow and 1 detached house to rear with associated access roads and garages @ 328 Chapel Lane New Longton PR4 4AB

2009/0161 – Erection of single storey detached building accommodation, additional surgery facility and office space @ 12 Chapel Lane Longton PR4 5EB

2009/0174 – Two storey extension to side and single storey extension to rear (resubmission) @ 5 Royalty Ave New Longton PR4 4JN

2009/0198 – Single storey extension to side and rear and dormer extension to side @ 7 Pinfold Longton PR4 5AE

It was resolved that no representation should be made in respect of the above applications.

46/09 REPRESENTATIVES

The following representatives were appointed:

- Western Parishes Area Committee – Cllr Gooch
- Brickcroft Management Committee – Cllrs Cunningham and Kershaw
- LALC Area Committee – Cllrs Artis and Fox
- South Ribble Police Authority Forum – Cllr Worthington (subject to confirmation)
- Hutton Grammar School Foundation – Cllr Gooch
- Lancashire Local – Cllr Underwood

47/09 FINANCIAL STATEMENT 31ST MARCH 2009

It was resolved that the Financial Statement to 31st March 2009 as previously circulated should be approved.

48/09 INTERNAL AUDITORS REPORT 2008/9

It was resolved that the Internal Auditors Report 2008/9 as previously circulated should be approved.

49/09 ANNUAL AUDIT RETURN 31ST MARCH 2009

It was resolved that the Annual Return Section 1 (Accounts) and Section 2 (Governance Statement) which had previously been circulated should be approved and that the Chairman and Clerk should sign both those Sections on behalf of the Council.

50/09 INSURANCE RENEWAL

It was resolved that the Council’s insurance should be renewed with Allianz Insurance Company on the basis of the report previously circulated at a premium of £674.33 and that the increased excess to £250 should be noted.

51/09 NEWSLETTER 2009

It was resolved that Cllr Crighton’s sons and the Clerk’s daughters should be authorised to deliver this year’s newsletter at a fee of £300 in total.

52/09 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

PARISH COUNCIL			
001001	P Heise	Materials – Bench Repair	23.78
001002	Printing World	Web Site	417.39
001003	LALC	Subscriptions 2009/10	636.61
001004	Len Slade	Internal Audit	100.00
001005	Young Longton Project	Donation per resolution 36/09	570.00
001006	Farington PC	Lengthsman Waste Licence (1/3 share of cost)	49.66
001007	Lengthsman Account	Lengthsman Contribution	7800.00
001008	Allianz	Insurance Premium 2009/10	674.33
001009	NLVH	Room Hire 12 months to 31 st March 2010	72.00
001010	LCC	Room Hire 12 months to 31 st March 2010	50.00
001011	W V McEnerney-Whittle	Salary and Expenses April 2009	624.84
001012	Viking Direct	Stationery	78.76
LENGTHSMAN PAYMENTS			
000155	P Heise	Lengthsman	1167.24

It was resolved that the above payments should be approved.

Chairman