

EUXTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of meeting held 21 April 2005 at 7.15 pm in Euxton PC Community Centre, Wigan Road, Euxton.

Present Cllrs M Gray (Chair), W Ashton, D Bateman, M Bateman, C Cocking, E Jones, J Matson, A Mercer, M Mercer, E Montgomery, E Sutton, K Wallbank, S Wellerd, G Witts.

1. Apologies Cllrs D Gee, T Gray.

2. Police Matters

Cllr Gray reported that there had been problems reported to the Police around the Indian takeaway shop on Runshaw Lane. Also, that Greenside had been reported to the Police because of a fire at the side of the pavilion.

3. Minutes of Council Meetings - Matters Arising

Resolved: Full Council meeting 17 March 2004, proposed Cllr Witts, seconded Cllr Jones and agreed to be an accurate record of the meeting and signed by the Chairman.

4. Annual Parish Meeting, Reports

Cllr Wellerd reported that residents had attending regarding the youth shelter on Greenside and it had been suggested they attend the next Leisure Committee meeting. Cllr Gray was disappointed that no representatives from any of the local organisations had attended to give reports on their work. Members of ERASE attended to update residents of their campaign.

5. Planning Matters

Clerk reported four additional applications since the agenda had been distributed:

05/00385/FUL Application to increase an O2 mast from 15m to 22.5m. Proposed Cllr Witts, seconded Cllr Wallbank and voted 11 for, 1 against and 1 abstention to object to this planning application.

05/00318/LCC Application for a sand extraction quarry at Runshaw. Councillors discussed this application and one asked the Council to obtain clarification, if the application were accepted, and after the site has finished quarrying, whether it became Brownfield land which could be sold for housing. Clerk will write to CBC and LCC to try to obtain a response.

Proposed Cllr Matson, seconded Cllr Sutton and voted for unanimously to object to this planning application.



05/00364/TPO Application for pruning and crown lifting healthy trees, proposed Cllr Wallbank, seconded Cllr Matson and agreed Council objects to unnecessary work.

A Councillor asked if the Parish Council had been notified that United Utilities were to do major road works on Balshaw Lane. Clerk informed they had not been notified. Clerk will write to ask why the Council is not notified of major works such as these.

It was noted by Councillors that the application number 05/00017/CTY was accepted by Chorley Borough Council but with a condition that the waste be limited to asbestos.

6. Financial Matters

The Clerk notified the Council that ERASE had used the Councils account with Newsquest to distribute an urgent leaflet to residents of the village. The invoice was below for paying and would be invoiced on to ERASE. Councillors requested this be an agenda item on the next meeting.

Resolved: Proposed Cllr Wallbank, seconded Cllr Witts and agreed the following cheques be approved for payment.

£	3314.32	Allianz Cornhill	Insurance
£	160.00	Lisieux Hall	Maintenance of M.Green
£	61.10	Robert Acton	BAGO litter pickers
£	3779.08	Chorley Borough	Play Inspects and grass cutting
£	587.50	Chorley Borough	Vandalism repairs
£	229.12	Chorley Borough	Vandalism repairs
£	7.30	Scouts	Delivering Euxton Web
£	246.75	I M Brown	Repair to sweeper
£	869.50	I M Brown	New gate at Greenside
£	72.85	Newsquest	Delivery of ERASE leaflet
£	731.97	Employee 2	Salary for April 2005
£	575.21	Employee 3	Salary for April 2005
£	600.89	Employee 4	Salary for April 2005
£	334.75	Employee 5	Salary for April 2005
£	559.14	Inland revenue	Tax & NI April 2005
£	378.85	Cash	Reimbursements
£	39.60	Employee 3	Mileage
£	51.30	Employee 4	Mileage

7. Borough or County Plans, Consultations, Meetings

The Clerk updated the Council regarding the following papers.

- ☞ Chorley Community Safety Partnership newsletter and an anti-social behaviour policy and procedure
- ☞ Cllr Ashton reported on the invitation to view the CCTV viewing room at Chorley. CCTV would be referred again to Committee for discussion at the next meeting.

8. Reports by Standing Committees and Working Groups

i Safety, Highways & Footpaths Committee



Cllr Ashton reported that he had attended the PACT meeting recently and the speed of vehicles on Runshaw Lane had been reported and the mobile radar speed trap was going to be used.

Cllr Matson reported the breaking up of the A49 road surface, near the tile centers.

ii Leisure Committee

Meeting arranged for 4 May 2005 and the Clerk is to write to the residents who attended the Annual Parish Meeting to inform them of the date.

iii General Purposes Committee

Meeting arranged for 2 June. If the finger post has not been done by this date the Clerk will have available quotations from other contractors to choose from to get the work done.

iv Personnel Committee

No issue to report and no recent meetings.

v Pear Tree Greens Working Group

Cllr Jones updated on the last reports received from CBC. English Partnerships cannot put in notice to the tenants and neither can CBC until they have been passed the land so the deadline in May will be missed. This could mean a two year wait to occupy the land, but further news on a development is awaited.

9. Correspondence

A Councillor informed of a scheme to create a 'walking bus' so traffic at the primary schools could be reduced. Councillors who were Governors on the local primary schools informed the schools knew of the scheme and had been looking into it, presently with no success.

Euxton Girls Football Club had invited the Chairman to attend its presentation evening on 1 May, Cllr Sutton will also attend.

The Community Centre had submitted a request for assistance to get parking restrictions on School Lane, this was passed to the Safety, Highways and Footpaths Committee.

A list of correspondence was distributed. Councillors were given clarification on items.

10. Matters for further discussion

The Chairman wished Cllr Montgomery well for the future as this was her last Council meeting following her retirement from being a Councillor.

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

8.20 pm

