

**MINUTES** of meeting held 17 November 2005 at 7.15 pm in Euxton PC Community Centre, Wigan Road, Euxton.

Present Cllrs M Mercer (Chair), W Ashton, M Gray, T Gray, E Jones, A Mercer, J Miles, E Sutton.

1. Apologies Cllrs D Bateman, M Bateman, C Cocking, A Dilworth, D Gee, K Wallbank, G Witts.

2. Police Matters

Councillors discussed problems around Aviation house of vandalism, quad bikes on the ROF land. Cllr Miles reported his windows had been shot at by an air pistol and they had made holes. Cllr T Gray reported he had seen a motorised scooter on Cedar Avenue and a beech buggy two weeks earlier, he thought was driven by the same youngsters. Clerk will pass these reports on to the Community Beat Manager.

3. Minutes of Council Meetings - Matters Arising

**Resolved:** Full Council meeting 20 October 2005, proposed Cllr Jones, seconded Cllr Ashton and agreed to be an accurate record of the meeting and signed by the Chairman.

4. Planning Matters

05/01020/COU Change of use from dwelling to Physiotherapy Clinic including single storey front extension to form new entrance at 8 St Mary's Gate, Euxton. Councillors discussed this application in detail. **Resolved:** Proposed Cllr Sutton, seconded Cllr Ashton and agreed the Council would object to this application on the grounds that it would be in a residential area, close to sheltered housing, cause increased traffic and parking problems.

Councillors considered the list of remaining applications and made no comments.

Clerk reported two road closures on Euxton Lane Sunday 27 November and 4 December, the proposed speed limit for a section of Euxton Lane increasing back up to 40 mph.

5. Financial Matters

**Resolved:** Proposed Cllr M Gray, seconded Cllr W Ashton and agreed the following cheques be approved for payment, the monitoring statement be noted, receipts were inspected by Cllr Sutton.

£	52.88	Robert Acton BAGO	Litter pickers and bag rings
£	175.00	J R Lawson	Internal audit fee
£	24.56	Eccleston Electrical	Repair/replace outside light bult
£	63.20	Powergen	Electricity for pavilion
£	20.00	Royal British Legion	Poppy wreath
£	60.00	Dry Steam Hygiene	Refund on advertisement fees
£	731.75	Employee 2	Salary Nov 05
£	564.28	Employee 3	Salary Nov 05
£	601.36	Employee 4	Salary Nov 05



£	360.50	Employee 5	Salary Nov 05
£	549.63	Inland Revenue	Tax & NI November
£	17.70	Employee 3	Mileage
£	29.10	Employee 4	Mileage
£	22.20	Employee 5	Mileage
£	731.97	Employee 2	Salary Dec 05
£	564.28	Employee 3	Salary Dec 05
£	601.57	Employee 4	Salary Dec 05
£	334.75	Employee 5	Salary Dec 05
£	550.20	Inland Revenue	Tax & NI December

Clerk reported receipt of the Internal Auditors report which would be circulated to Councillors to approve at the next meeting.

## 6. Reports by Standing Committees and Working Groups

### i Safety, Highways & Footpaths Committee - meeting arranged for 5 December

Cllr M Gray asked if the lengthsman could visit Crofters Green to clear the path as it is slippery with wet leaves.

Cllr T Gray reported that Euxton Lane was looking very untidy near the British Aerospace offices, the Clerk was still investigating who owned which parcels of land so the Council could write to them.

### ii Leisure Committee - meeting arranged for 28 November.

Cllr M Gray enquired about the state of the Millennium Green. **Resolved:** Proposed Cllr M Gray, seconded Cllr Ashton and agreed the Clerk writes to the agents for United Utilities to complain about the delays in putting the Green back in order and the state it has been left in.

### iii General Purposes Committee - meeting arranged for 5 December

Cllr Sutton asked about progress on buying a new pavement sweeping machine. The Clerk updated that it was agreed by full Council on 15 September to purchase a new machine and it would be considered at the precept meetings.

Cllr Sutton thought that the streets needed additional attention during the autumn leaf fall to keep them safe and requested that additional hours be made available for the two weeks until the Personnel Committee on 28 November. **Resolved:** Proposed Cllr Sutton, seconded Cllr Ashton and agreed to offer additional hours for leaf clearing.

### iv Personnel Committee - meeting arranged for 28 November

### v Pear Tree Greens Working Group – meeting arranged for 25 November.

## 7. Correspondence

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

## 8. Matters for further discussion

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

8.00 pm

