

## **EUXTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES** of a full Council Meeting held 17 August 2006 at 7.15 pm in Euxton PC Community Centre, Wigan Road, Euxton.

**Present** Cllrs W Ashton, C Cocking, M Gray, T Gray, J Matson, S Newell, A Platt, D Wallbank, K Wallbank (Chair), S Wellerd, G Witts.

**Resolved:** Cllr K Wallbank would take Chairmanship for this meeting in the absence of the Chair and Vice Chair.

**Resolved:** Council approved the reasons for Cllr Matson not signing his declaration of acceptance of office prior to this date, it was signed and accepted.

1. Apologies Cllrs D Bateman, A Dilworth, E Jones, A Mercer, M Mercer, E Sutton
2. Declarations of Interest

Cllr Platt declared a prejudicial interest in item 6i. Cllr Newell declared a prejudicial interest in an application to be covered under item 4. Both would leave the room for the decisions.

3. Minutes of Council Meetings - Matters Arising

**Resolved:** Minutes of the General Meeting on 15 June 2006 were agreed to be an accurate record of the meeting and signed by the Chairman.

4. Planning

Sgt Walton had informed the Clerk that a temporary replacement Community Beat Manager would be taking up post on 1 September.

**Resolved:** Councillors considered the planning applications notified to the Council made an objection to application 912, felling of a tree.

The Clerk updated the Council on the Tarmac Quarry application process and informed that it will be considered by LCC Planning on 21 September. Clerk to ask if either the Chairman or Cllr Mercer if they are attending.

**Resolved:** Council approved the reasons for Cllr D Wallbank not signing her declaration of acceptance of office prior to this date, it was signed and accepted.

5. Public Participation - Resident and Police Matters

**Resolved:** Council agreed to suspend the meeting to allow members of the public to speak.

Borough Cllr Goldsworthy complemented Euxton Parish Council on the work it does and offered his assistance for the future. He is keen to see, even with the changes within CBC, that relationships are as good as can be.

**Resolved:** Council agreed to restore the meeting.

6. Financial Matters

- i) Requests for Payment

**Resolved:** Council agreed the following payments be approved, the invoices and receipts were inspected by a nominated Councillor.

£	162.63	Chorley BC	Dog waste bin Greenside & MG
£	14.89	Chorley BC	Stores - boots
£	175.00	J Lawson	Auditor
£	940.00	Lightmain Co Ltd	Dismantling youth shelter
£	14837.90	I M Brown	Fencing and gates for Primrose
£	256.00	Sprintprint	Printing of June newsletter
£	173.09	Newsquest	Distribution of June newsletter

£	875.00	West View Nursery	Summer planters & plants
£	9.75	1st Euxton Scouts	Distribution of June newsletter
£	52.88	I M Brown	Re-fix MG bench
£	1630.67	Danvic Turf	Football pitch vertidrain
£	9012.25	Rock Surfacing	Re-new of footpath at Primrose
£	81.84	Powergen	Electricity at pavilion
£	45.00	J W Twentyman	Plumber - fix sink at pavilion
£	387.49	Cash	Reimbursements (Jul & Aug)
£	757.44	Employee 2	Salary August
£	595.60	Employee 3	Salary August
£	620.99	Employee 4	Salary August
£	397.03	Employee 5	Salary August
	37.50	Employee 3	Mileage
	62.10	Employee 4	Mileage
	49.20	Employee 5	Mileage
	629.87	Inland Revenue	Tax & NI August
	175.00	Cash	Employee 5 wage advance

ii) Monitoring Statement

**Resolved:** Council agreed the statement be received.

iii) Internal Auditors Report

**Resolved:** Council welcomed the report and agreed

- i) The Clerk is authorised to sign off employee timesheets and mileage claims
- ii) The Clerk write to CBC to request a reduction in the number of invoices for nominal amounts.

7. Reports by Standing Committees and Working Groups

- i) Safety, Highways & Footpaths Committee - No meeting held, no reports.
- ii) Leisure Committee - No meeting held, no reports.
- iii) General Purposes Committee - No meeting held, no reports.
- iv) Personnel Committee - No meeting held, no reports.
- v) Pear Tree Greens Working Group - No meeting held, no reports.

8. Youth Shelter

Council discussed the proposal in some detail.

**Resolved:** It was proposed the Council would await the outcome of the public consultation and this will be carried forward to the September agenda.

9. Training

Council discussed the proposal.

**Resolved:** Councillor(s) volunteered for the training and others wishing to attend the first training date are to contact the Clerk.

10. Youth Shelter

Council discussed the information provided and discussed in detail.

**Resolved:** Council agreed to confirm existence and obtain a copy of a policy of CBCs which specified the use of s106 monies within the Borough; to relinquish interest in the shelter but, following receipt of the copy policy to request a substitute piece of equipment for one of the play areas.

11. Heskin Parish Council Request

Council discussed this request to form a discussion group. It was pointed out that there is no planning application yet submitted for alterations to housing for the Camelot site and that because of the period of the local it would be quite a while in the future before it would be possible.

**Resolved:** Council will respond to the request from Heskin Parish Council that Euxton Parish Council agrees with some of Heskin's misgivings but as there is no planning application due in the near future thinks that discussions on the subject should not take place until a much later date.

12. Mawdesley Parish Council Request

Council discussed the proposal from Mawdesley Parish Council to become a partner in the purchase of a Speed Indicator machine.

**Resolved:** Council will respond to Mawdesley Parish Council that it would not be interested to take up their offer as it may be looking in the future to purchasing its own.

13. Lancashire Local - Chorley

Council considered the information circulated.

**Resolved:** Council nominated the Chairman and Vice Chairman to attend the Lancashire Local - Chorley meetings in the future and agreed with the contents of the suggested protocol document.

14. Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies

Parish/Borough Liaison meeting - Cllr Gray reported that she sent her apologies for the last on 19 July.

Civic Society meetings - Cllr Gray informed that the Civic Society Awards would be taking place soon at the Town Hall.

15. Matters for information

A resident had sent in a number of messages to various Councillors regarding traffic speed on the A49 near to the Methodist Church. This is referred to the All Purposes Committee.

Councillors raised concerns over the flowers in the planters at the Bay Horse corner and by the motorway on Runshaw Lane, as they had suffered with the weather and did not look good.

It was reported to Council that Granada TV will visit Euxton for a live broadcast on Wednesday, 6 September on the Millennium Green.

It was noted that the problems with parked vehicles on Milestone Meadow had been raised at the recent PACT meetings.

Following the invitation from the Parking Enforcement officer at CBC to nominate areas of concern, the area around the shops on Highways Avenue and Talbot Row was highlighted.

Cllr M Gray reported that the new gardens at Primrose Hill School have been completed and looked very nice, the funding came from Barclays Bank.

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

8.30 pm