

## **EUXTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES** of a full Council Meeting held 21 September 2006 at 7.15 pm in Euxton PC Community Centre, Wigan Road, Euxton.

Present Cllrs M Mercer (Chairman), D Bateman, A Dilworth, E Jones, S Newell, A Platt, E Sutton, D Wallbank, K Wallbank, S Wellerd, G Witts.  
5 residents

**Resolved:** Council agreed to move item 5 Planning.

### 5. Planning

Members of ERASE attended before the meeting started to inform the Council that Lancashire County Council Development Control Committee had refused the planning application from Tarmac for a quarry at Runshaw. They had requested the Council send thank you letters to those involved in protesting against the application and invite Mr Perigo to a meeting to explain the appeal process.

**Resolved:** Council agreed to send letters of thanks to people involved in representing Euxton at the Development Control meetings and to invite Mr Perigo to speak to the Council.

Bgh Councillor R Russell agreed to speak with Chorley borough Council regarding the lack of Tree Warden training which the Council was contacted about over 12 months ago.

**Resolved:** Council will write to Chorley Borough Council to ask for full details of the recreation facilities to be placed on the land near in the Canonswood estate following the refusal of the invitation to a CBC officer to attend the Parish Council meeting.

1. Apologies Cllrs W Ashton, C Cocking, M Gray, T Gray, A Mercer

2. Declarations of Interest

Cllr Platt declared a prejudicial interest in item 7ii and will leave the room for the decision. Cllr Witts declared a personal interest in item 7i grants and will not take part in the decision.

3. Minutes of Council Meetings - Matters Arising

**Resolved:** Minutes of the General Meeting on 17 August 2006 were agreed to be an accurate record of the meeting and signed by the Chairman.

4. Co-option for Councillor Vacancy

**Resolved:** It was agreed by Council that Miss Jacqueline Carr of Laurel Avenue be co-opted to the Councillor vacancy.

6. Public Participation - Resident and Police Matters

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

Council heard that a new Community Beat Manager had been temporarily appointed to Euxton but no response from the Police Sergeant had been received regarding the appointment date, name of the person or hours they would be working.

Cllr Newell had been on a Summer Nights exercise with the police and had written a report which would be circulated.

The PACT meeting attendances have been dropping and Cllr Newell agreed to write an article in the newsletter.

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

The Clerk is to request from Chorley Borough Council information on the report in the newspaper that the Wardens may be leaving its control.

The Clerk is to invite Sergeant Walton and the new CBM Officer to the next meeting.

8. Reports by Standing Committees and Working Groups

- i) Leisure Committee - receive minutes of meeting held on 14 September 2006 - minutes were received. Cllrs Wellerd to be put on the minutes as attending.
- ii) All Purposes Committee - receive minutes of meeting held on 14 September 2006 - minutes were received. Cllr Sutton, Witts to be put on the minutes as attending.
- iii) Pear Tree Greens Working Group - no meeting report.
- iv) Personnel Committee - no meeting report.

7. Financial Matters

i) Requests for Payment

Consider the proposal from the All Purposes Committee to give a grant to Euxton PC Community Centre of £500 from the general funds

**Resolved:** Council agreed to grant a further £500 to Euxton PC Community Centre from general funds.

ii) To approve requests for payment made to the Council.

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

£	5.87	Chorley Borough Council	Lease for playing fields
£	180.00	Heaton Street Gardening Services	MG gardening services
£	256.00	Sprintprint	Printing of Sept newsletter
£	173.15	Newsquest	Delivery of Sept newsletter
£	182.00	Cash	Reimbursements
£	19.20	Employee 3	Mileage
£	35.70	Employee 4	Mileage
£	20.70	Employee 5	Mileage
£	757.66	Employee 2	Salary Sept
£	595.58	Employee 3	Salary Sept
£	620.98	Employee 4	Salary Sept
£	453.75	Employee 5	Salary Sept
£	586.03	Inland Revenue	Tax & NI Sept
£	1000.00	Euxton PC Community Centre	Grant
£	100.00	Yarrow Nursery	Grant
£	100.00	Girl Guides	Grant
£	100.00	50+ Club	Grant
£	100.00	WI	Grant
£	300.00	1st Euxton ROF	Grant

iii) To approve the financial monitoring statement.

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

9. Parish Bus Shelter Scheme

Council discussed the proposal.

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

A resident spoke regarding the possible impairment of sight lines for vehicles turning out of the side roads.

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

**Resolved:** Council agreed to decline the Parish Bus Shelter scheme in view of resident objections to the position and in consideration of future maintenance and repair costs.

#### 10. Awards

Council was updated with the results from the Best Kept Village competition and Chorley Civic Society and received the village report from the Best Kept Village judge.

**Resolved:** Council agreed to write to the businesses in Euxton and share with them the judges comment from the Best Kept Village competition. Clerk to draft letters, Chairman to see before sending.

Council agreed to write a letter to thank the lengthsman for the efforts around the village.

#### 11. Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies

No reports.

#### 12. Matters for information

A Councillor raised a point regarding a resident who has had a perimeter wall built and received notification from Planning that it does not fit in to its guidelines. As this is not an application before the Council to consider at present, it could not comment.

The Clerk informed that Chorley Borough Council had sent a consultation map regarding a new street name of Worden Brook Close. Councillors surmised from the tiny snap-shot map supplied it was in Leyland but, if it was in Euxton they didn't like the name Worden.

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

8.32 pm