

## **EUXTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES** of a full Council Meeting held 19 October 2006 at 7.15 pm in Euxton PC Community Centre, Wigan Road, Euxton.

Present Cllrs M Mercer (Chairman), W Ashton, D Bateman, J Carr, A Dilworth, E Jones, S Newell, A Platt, J Matson, E Sutton, D Wallbank, S Wellerd, G Witts.

1. Apologies Cllrs C Cocking, K Wallbank, A Mercer

Council discussed, following questions being raised from Councillors who had been on a Training event, the importance, procedure and reasons for giving apologies. The Clerk was asked to prepare an explanatory report to Council about apologies, the subject would be included on the next agenda for consideration.

2. Declarations of Interest

Cllr Platt declared a prejudicial interest in item 7i and will leave the room for the decision.

3. Minutes of Council Meetings - Matters Arising

**Resolved:** Minutes of the General Meeting on 21 September 2006 were agreed to be an accurate record of the meeting and signed by the Chairman.

4. Planning

Councillors viewed the information and maps appertaining to the new street naming of Worden Hall Close, which will be in Euxton near to the Leyland border.

No comments on applications.

5. Public Participation - Resident and Police Matters

The Clerk updated that Sgt Walton and the new CBM could not attend tonight but the Sergeant has put the next meeting in his diary and updated the Clerk with some current information. The new Community Beat Manager is a full time person on temporary cover for Euxton for the two part-time positions, one of which has left and the other is on long-term sick. The new CBM is called Ally Bleasdale. Matt Gillett is not changing his role, he is remaining the PCSO for Euxton but there is now another full time PCSO covering Astley Village and these two posts cover for each other. Sgt Walton was concerned to hear of the road accident on Runshaw Lane on 17 October and would consider supporting any requests to Lancashire County Council for measures to warn drivers not to speed.

6. Financial Matters

i) 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.

£	131.84	Chorley Council	Uncontested election - South ward
£	131.84	Chorley Council	Uncontested election - NE ward
£	131.84	Chorley Council	Uncontested election - NW ward
£	130.45	Chorley Council	Equipment from stores (brush/bags)
£	16.20	Employee 3	Mileage
£	358.99	Cash	Reimbursements
£	36.60	Employee 4	Mileage

£	41.40	Employee 5	Mileage
£	757.44	Employee 2	Salary Oct
£	619.73	Employee 3	Salary Oct
£	646.55	Employee 4	Salary Oct
£	469.77	Employee 5	Salary Oct
£	626.60	Inland Revenue	Tax & NI Oct

iii) To approve the financial monitoring statement.

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

#### 7. Reports by Standing Committees and Working Groups

i) Leisure Committee - no meeting report.

ii) All Purposes Committee - no meeting report.

iii) Pear Tree Greens Committee

The Chair of the Committee reported on a meeting prior to this meeting. The Committee had agreed some steps forward following the news that the land transfer is imminent. The Committee would commission a survey which would assist the Architects to sit down with the planning department to discuss possibilities and restrictions, from this the Council would be consulted for their ideas followed by a detailed plan drawn up. The public and residents would be consulted and planning permission sought following this, then funding sources would be investigated.

iv) Personnel Committee - meeting to be arranged.

#### 8. Update on Canonswood Recreational Area

Councillors received the update information from Chorley Borough Council.

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

Cllr Platt had attended the Borough/Parish Liaison meeting and briefed members on the items discussed which included; wind turbine and solar power grants not being available from CBC, public transport accessibility survey, child/young people activities support, Lancashire Youth Services re-organization and mergence with Connexions, new Monitoring Officer (Clerk to copy the transport survey to all Councillors).

The Chair had attended the Chorley Civic Society Awards evening and collected an award for the Fingerpost restoration at Flag Lane/Runshaw Lane. Council thanked Cllr Mary Gray for highlighting this project to the Council.

#### 10. Matters for information

Milestone - all purpose.

The Remembrance Day service will be on 12 November 2006 in the CE church, time to be confirmed.

It was raised again the idea that a CCTV camera in the vicinity of Highways shops might be a project to re-explore. Council referred this item to the All Purposes Committee agenda.

The concrete bus shelter on Euxton Lane should be reported as it has a lot of litter in and around it, also the one outside Spar on Balshaw Lane has had its glass smashed. The Clerk will report these to the relevant authorities.

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

Approved on 16 November 2006

8.01 pm