

EUXTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Council Meeting held 16 October 2008 at 7.15 pm at Euxton PC Community Centre, Wigan Road, Euxton.

Present Cllrs J Matson (Chairman), D Bateman, C Cocking, A Dilworth, M Gray, C Hickey, C Hindle, B Leyden, A Platt, E Sutton, B Robins, K Wallbank.

1. Apologies Cllr T Gray, E Jones, A Mercer, M Mercer, S Wellerd
2. Declarations of Interest

Cllr Platt declared a prejudicial interest in item 6i as he is related to an employee, and will leave the room for this item.

3. Minutes of Council Meetings

Resolved: Minutes of the Council Meeting on 18 September 2008 were agreed to be an accurate record of the meeting and signed by the Chairman.

4. Statutory Business

- i) Planning.

08/00977/FUL	Billinge House, Euxton Lane	Conversion of detached garage into ancillary living accommodation with porch and conservatory additions
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Resolved: Council objected to this application as it constituted development in the Greenbelt and it was concerned it may be converted into a single property to be sold off in the land surrounding it, as when it was constructed it was set in its own grounds and in direct line with the road access.

08/01005/FUL	9 Carnoustie Drive	Erection of rear conservatory
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08/01002/FUL	Group 1 Euxton Lane	Erection of a bat house at group one BV
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08/01040/NLA	Land 150 West Of Central Avenue	Substitution of house types to plot 79 of Evolution Phase 6
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08/01054/DIS	Land South Of 106 Main Street BV	Discharge of conditions 3,4 and 6 of permission 08/00502/FULMAJ and conditions 3, 4 and 8 of 08/00890
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08/01052/OUTMAJ	37 Wigan Road	Outline for 12 detached houses
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Resolved: Council requested if the s106 agreement can reflect that the s106 monies coming from the 9 new builds can be worded differently than the standard agreement to try to ring fence the monies for the use in Euxton.

5. Public Participation - Residents and Police Matters - none present

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.

£	693.72	Johnston Sweepers	Repairs
£	52.65	1st Euxton ROF Scouts	Newsletter delivery
£	6805.61	Wicksteed Leisure	Play equipment and installation
£	5800.49	Record Play	Play equipment and installation
£	25.79	Galaxy Print	Work jacket
£	1076.35	Cash	Reimbursements
£	1005.34	Employee 1	Salary Oct 08
£	697.70	Employee 2	Salary Oct 08
£	607.60	Employee 3	Salary Oct 08

£	620.44	Employee 4	Salary Oct 08
£	624.05	H M Revenue & C	Tax & NI Oct 08
£	27.30	Employee 2	Mileage
£	31.15	Employee 3	Mileage
£	9.90	Employee 4	Mileage

ii) To approve the financial monitoring statement.

Resolved: Council received and approved the statement.

iii) Approve and accept the Annual Return following its return by the Auditor - not arrived.

7. Reports by Standing Committees and Working Groups - no reports.

8. Review of Effectiveness of the system of Internal Audit

Resolved: The Council received the review process and the responses. Cllr Hickey will carry out another review within the next 12 months. Council agreed Mr Lawson would be Internal Auditor for the coming year.

9. Freedom of Information

Resolved: The Council received the completed FOI template document and agreed for it to be published in line with the FOI guidance.

10. Consultation by Communities and Local Government on 'Making and Enforcing Byelaws'

Resolved: The Council reviewed the questions and agreed the responses from the Council.

11. Neighbourhood Working

Resolved: The Council received the update. Council were unhappy with the drop-in session as it was not communicated to the Council in time to attend or to the village. There was only 6 days notice and only 1000 leaflets distributed around the village. Clerk to send a letter to request a further drop-in session for the village.

12. Consultation by Chorley Council - Overview & Scrutiny Task Group into Streetscene

Resolved: The Council suggested some changes for litter bins, agreed the grass-cutting was adequate as they accepted the weather can interfere with scheduling. Clerk will submit changes.

13. Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies

PACT meeting was reported on. Clerk will write a letter to the Police regarding the lack of a Police presence on the village recently. The new CBM has been absent and the PCSO vacancy has not been filled.

Borough/Parish Liaison was reported on. S106 money will be discussed by a working group of Council officers, the LDF was presented to the meeting.

14. Matters for information

Euxton Villa Football Club is officially opening its new pavilion on 22 October at 12.30 pm - Cllrs Matson and Leyden will attend.

Chorley Council has informed the Council of a study for 'Unmet Taxi Demand' - Cllrs requested to inform the Clerk of any problems, to include in a response.

Lancashire County Council has informed of a 'Review of the Registers of Common Land' which lasts until 30/09/10 with a deadline for free applications of 30/09/09. Clerk will research implications and requirements of this review.

Lancashire County Council has informed of a Bus Shelter review - Euxton Parish Council has no bus shelters.

Chorley Council has informed that of the Central Lancashire preferred Core Strategy Consultation - Council noted.

Cllr M Gray raised an issue regarding a bus shelter at Chorley Hospital. Buses now don't go into the Hospital grounds during the day and drop off on Euxton Lane and pedestrians cross over at the wrong point, which is dangerous.

Remembrance Sunday church service is on 9 November 3pm at the Methodist Church.

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