

## **EUXTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES** of the ALL PURPOSES COMMITTEE held 1 November 2007 at 7.00 pm, Euxton PC Community Centre, Euxton.

Present Cllrs M Gray, E Jones, C Hindle, K Wallbank, D Bateman, S Newell

Attending: Cllr E Sutton

1. Election of Vice Chairman

**Resolved:** The Committee agreed Cllr M Gray would be vice chair.

2. Apologies Cllr Matson, Leyden

3. Minutes of last Meeting

**Resolved:** Minutes of the All Purposes Committee held 31 May 2007 were agreed to be accurate record of the meeting, signed by the Chairman.

4. Flowers around the village and Competitions

Councillors congratulated the three village caretakers for their efforts as the village won the Best Newcomer award in the North West In Bloom.

Clerk to ask if certificates from this and last year could go on the wall in the Annexe.

The Committee discussed setting up a working group of Councillors, residents, businesses, school representatives to work on the competition entries.

**Resolved:** The Committee agreed that a Working Group will be set up to work on the competition entries.

The Committee agreed to enter the Best Kept Village and the North West in Bloom competitions in 2008.

5. Grants

The Committee considered applications from five organisations:

**Resolved:** The Committee agreed:

£300 to Churches Together in Euxton

£200 to Careline (Churches Together in Euxton)

£100 to North West Air Ambulance

£100 to Funktion FC

£700 to Euxton PC Community Centre

6. Boundary Signs

The Committee considered the example sign made by Lancashire Sign Shop and the costs. A single sign is £125, with legs £183. The budget allowed for all four positions to be done this year.

**Resolved:** The Committee agreed to order signs for all four positions previously agreed.

7. Website

The Committee discussed the developments made with the website and thanked the Clerk for her hard work.

8. Quality Parish Council Status

Councillors discussed the contents of the report. They did not want to have the Council reduced from 18 members. 2010 is the next election time and Council must from now until then try to raise the image of being a Parish Councillor.

**Resolved:** The Committee agreed it wished to go for Quality Status and will work towards it until application in 2010, following the election when it hopes it will get a higher electoral mandate figure.

9. Litter Bins in the Village

The Police had requested the Parish Council to look into supplying a litter bin on the top car park at Greenside. Clerk informed this was not Parish Council land.

**Resolved:** The Clerk will request Chorley Borough puts in a litter bin at this location.

10. Christmas Tree Position and Concert arrangements for 2007

The Committee considered arrangements for the Christmas Carol Concert this year. Cllr Newell offered to arrange a flood light and an awning for the band if it is raining. Volunteer Councillors had been asked for to help traffic in to the car parks and not to park on the road. The Police will be invited to attend.

11. Memorial for Geoff Witts

Euxton Cricket Club had informed it wanted to build a scoring building and call it after Geoff. The Clerk is to request the Club sent in some details of costs, timescales for the building to consider how much to donate.

Councillors discussed renaming the Millennium Green or Pear Tree Greens.

**Resolved:** The Committee agreed to contribute to Euxton Cricket Club score hut and rename the Millennium Green by erecting a nice sign board at the side of the entrance arch to say "Welcome to the Geoff Witts Millennium Green".

12. No Cold Calling Zones

This item was referred from full Council. The Committee decided an article should go in the next newsletter to request residents input and suggestions of areas for this scheme.

13. Precept consideration for 2008/2009

**Resolved:** The Committee agreed to request a precept of £14,000.

14. Updates of any other items covered by this Committee

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