**MINUTES** of the ALL PURPOSES COMMITTEE held 6 July 2017 at Euxton PC Community Centre, Euxton.

<u>Present</u> Cllrs J Bamber N Hall A Riggott

M Bamber K Reed M Thornhill (Vice Chair)

C Jones (Chair) G Rypel H Tune

E Jones

## 1. <u>Election of Committee Chair</u>

Resolved: Councillor C Jones was elected to be Chair.

#### 2. Election of Committee Vice Chair

Resolved: Councillor Thornhill was elected to be Vice Chair.

- 3. Apologies Cllrs J Matson, M Jarnell
- 4. Minutes of last Meeting

**Resolved:** Minutes of the All Purposes Committee held 2 February 2017 were agreed to be accurate record of the meeting, signed by the meeting Chairman.

It was noted that the meeting mentioned in the minutes of 27 April did not take place.

## 5. Updates on ongoing or completed projects

Two seats are in storage waiting installation; one at Runshaw Lane (on the grass next to No 10B) following the installation of the pedestrian crossing, the other is for the library.

The seat by the Library cannot be installed until some groundwork has been carried out, but the library gardening group (volunteers) cannot manage to dig out the shrubbery. The group has £360 available (£200 of which was a grant from EPC) that could be put towards paying for the work to be done.

However, a "Reading Seat" may be provided by Chorley Council, subject to a decision at the "Neighbourhood Meeting" on July 10th. If that meeting decides that Chorley will not provide the Reading Seat then a costing to have the area landscaped can be obtained and if agreed the £360 can be paid towards the cost so the seat in storage can be installed.

**Resolved:** If there is no progress on the CBC Reading Seat project, obtain a costing from a contractor to dig out the shrubs for the area; work up a plan; get Library and LCC approval; accept the £360 towards the cost, and if the cost exceeds the amount get approval for a further grant from next available Council meeting.

Ornamental signs all installed, as are plaques attached to all seats.

## 6. Flower displays

# 6.1 Update on new equipment and positions and any further action required

Meeting at Packsaddle has resulted in an offer from CBC of a Flower Tower if we remove old rotten log roll planter and speak to resident about cutting back a tree.

Meeting arranged to view Euxton Lane possibilities for planters at main lights junction (JB and Clerk).

Obtain costing for a system to hold and display flower troughs from behind the walls at junction of Wigan Road/School Lane/Bank Lane.

## 6.2 Consideration of planters needing repairs

**Resolved:** Replace planter at tile centres with one made of railways sleepers, cost £420.

#### 6.3 Flower contract review

Members discussed and adjusted the contract.

**Resolved:** Clerk to send out the tender document to obtain costings back for future meeting.

# 7. Grant applications

**Resolved:** Standing orders were suspended.

A representative from the Scout group attended to discuss the group, the grant and answer questions.

**Resolved:** Standing orders were restored.

7.1 Buckshaw Village Scout Group

**Resolved:** A grant of £250 was approved.

7.2 North West Air Ambulance

Resolved: A grant of £250 was approved.

- 8. Community Involvement projects
- 8.1 Volunteer litter picking dates for Autumn

Bulb planting event on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> October to be advertised in the newsletter – location suggested is the banking of the church car park, permission will be sought.

Mid September litter picking event around the Cricket Club area – for newsletter.

Newsletter to offer the litter picking equipment to groups for loan.

#### 8.2 Consider a request for a Circus

A small circus company had suggested the provision of a circus at Greenside (on the football pitches) sometime around June 2018. Councillors expressed concern about the possibility / probability of damage to the grass because of vehicles moving on and off the site. In addition by next June it was seen as likely that the total playing area will have been reduced along with the remaining playing area being rearranged to try to mitigate the loss of space. There was also the possibility of conflict with what is permitted by the lease between Chorley Council and Euxton Parish Council.

Council declined to proceed with this suggestion.

## 9. Committee budget report

Budget was discussed and further update will be presented at next meeting.

- 10. Other items this Committee can discuss and/or take forward
- 10.1 Bin location requests in the village

Discussed locations in Buckshaw which require more bins, and replace unsuitable "doggy bin" by the duck pond area; the cost of a bin was reported to be £250 from CBC.

Locations discussed were the Duck Pond, Pincock walk, Bank Lane bin which is damaged.

**Resolved:** Committee agreed to Cllr Riggott meeting with Clerk in Buckshaw to discuss bin locations with CBC/RMG.

**Resolved:** Committee agreed for Clerk to report dog bin at Duck pond to request replacement with a combined bin but, if they will not replace to order a bin at £250 for this location.

Clerk will report damaged bin at Bank Lane and need for a bin at Pincock.

# 10.2 Condition of Buckshaw Village Roundabouts

The roundabouts have not been tended this year; one is full of Mare's Tails.

**Resolved:** Committee agreed to investigate the possibility of taking over the maintenance of the roundabout adjacent to Buckshaw Hall, get costings for perennial plant display and for a piece of artwork with Euxton signs incorporated for the centre, if allowed.

#### 11. <u>Dates for forthcoming meetings</u>

October, February and July – Chair will suggest dates.

9.00