

AUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 8 APRIL 2019, AT AUGHTON VILLAGE HALL ANNEXE, COMMENCING AT 7.30pm

CHAIRMAN: Councillor Mrs Margaret Boulton (Vice-Chairman)

MEMBERS PRESENT: As recorded in the Register of Attendance

11087 APOLOGIES were tendered on behalf of:

Councillor Jones (Chairman)	-	personal commitment
Councillor Grant	-	business commitment
Councillor Roberts	-	personal commitment

APOLOGIES were READ and APPROVED.

11088 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – members were reminded to declare their Interests before the start of each Agenda Item or when appropriate.

11089 MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 11 MARCH 2019, copies circulated prior to meeting, were APPROVED and SIGNED as a correct record.

11090 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES (for information only):

a) Ordinary Election for Aughton Parish Council 2019 – notice received that the election was Uncontested and therefore all validly nominated candidates were elected. Further information at the Annual Meeting on 13 May 2019.

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME – the Chairman adjourned the meeting at this stage and invited questions/comments from members of the public present.

An information, question and answer session took place with some Long Lane residents on the Local Plan Review, the proposed sub-station off Mickering Lane, Neighbourhood Planning, an update on the proposed signage for slowing traffic down on various roads. A recent incident of ‘drug dealing’ in the car park was raised which had not been reported to the police. The Chairman asked local residents to go directly to the local police on such matters, ring ‘101’ to report the crime (after the event) or ‘999’ if an incident was happening at the time.

There being no further comments, the Chairman resumed the meeting.

11091 PLANNING

a) Weekly List Items

Items marked\* were considered under the Parish Council Prior Notification Procedure (PNP) to meet the deadline for response.

There were NO COMMENTS in the cases of:

\*2019/0178/FUL \*0194 0014 0216 0163 0238 0137 0181 0264

In the case of:

2019/0256/FUL 2 Molyneux Road – members wished to ensure the proposal to develop the bakery and small scale workshop space, given the ‘double yellow lines’ to the front of the property, would not introduce parking issues to an already congested area.

b) Appeals/Planning Control

Notice of an Appeal made against refusal of a Householder Application at 85 Whalley Drive. NOTED  
Notice of an Appeal made following refusal of planning permission at 52 Long Lane (removal of existing wooden play area and erection of wooden summer house built in side garden measuring 5830mm x

Para.11091 (Continued)

5660mm x 2400mm (retrospective); installation of fast growing hedge along Prescott Road/Long Lane boundary. NOTED

c) West Lancashire Local Plan – all Minutes of WLBC Meetings had previously been circulated to members - an update was given on the Cabinet Meeting held 12 March. A motion on behalf of Councillor Ian Moran ‘that the Local Delivery Scheme be amended to allow time for the reconsideration of the proposed Local Plan timescale and for the preparation of and consultation on a new Local Plan Preferred Options’ was approved. NOTED

11092 CHAIRMAN/VICE-CHAIRMAN/PARISH CLERK’S APRIL MEETING WITH THE LOCAL POLICE – a brief report was given on the meeting held 5 April 2019. There had been 23 reported crimes since the last meeting including:

4 domestic type incidents; 9 burglary residential (Beech Road (3), Standhouse Lane, Prescott Road (2), Norris House Drive, Sefton Gardens, Springfield Road); 3 cases of Theft (Steak House); 2 malicious communication; 2 theft incidents (Nursing Home, Convenience Store); 2 theft of a motor vehicle (Long Lane, Shepherds Lane); 1 assault (Scarth Hill Lane). Additional information in respect of the number of incidents dealt with other than reported crimes – there had been 80 incidents in Aughton. An increase in antisocial behaviour incidents had been reported.

11093 AUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE:

a) NALC Legal Notice The Public Sector Bodies (Websites and Mobile Applications) (No.2) Accessibility Regulations 2018 for existing and new websites (circulated to members) and NOTED

b) to consider the arrangements for retaining the existing website with an upgrade or providing a brand new website (notes circulated previously to all members from the Webmaster (volunteer)) – a question and answer session took place with Councillor Gallagher including an assurance given of compliance with the Legal Notice above.

(Councillor Gallagher, who would be retiring from the Parish Council in May, then left the meeting during further discussion).

It was AGREED to a transfer to a new system to rebuild the website, in compliance with the new regulations (retaining the current website until completion of the rebuild) at a cost of £250 per annum (includes the domain fees/LCN administration and hosting).

Councillor Gallagher resumed the meeting. The Chairman thanked him for all his time and effort during his voluntary service as the Webmaster and requested him to progress the new work as soon as possible.

Councillor Gallagher said he would be very pleased to continue as the Webmaster and would initiate the change forthwith.

11094 WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH COUNCIL: CIL Funding available for Infrastructure projects in West Lancashire – bids to be submitted by 26 April 2019 (notes circulated prior to meeting) – members noted the item without comment.

11095 TIMBER BUS SHELTER AT TOWN GREEN LANE – it was noted that the peppercorn rent to the Borough Council of 25p, for the siting of the shelter for the period 1 April 2019-31 March 2024, had been approved at the March Meeting (7 day invoice).

11096 GRANVILLE PARK WAR MEMORIAL – an increase in antisocial behaviour on the site and the area in close proximity to the site was NOTED. The local police had been informed.

11097 AUGHTON SPORTS ASSOCIATION (ASA) – Councillor Walne, Chairman of ASA, gave a brief report on the meeting held 26 March 2019 with the representatives of the sports clubs. He said he would be retiring from the Parish Council in May and had enjoyed his time as Chairman engaging with the various clubs and their activities.

## 11098 ACCOUNTS (circulated to members)

Income	
2018/2019	
Annual Bank Interest	176.06
Annual Interest from Investment	549.36
Income	
2019/2020	
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Expenditure	
2019/2020	(includes VAT)
Imprest Renewal to end of March 2019 (Sundry Creditor)	58.03
S Moorcroft – expenses to end of March 2019 (Sundry Creditor)	27.45
Rawsthorne Commercial Landscaping – grounds maintenance/repairs	2,296.00
E Rothwell & Son – annual gas/oil/etc for PC tractor (Sundry Creditor)	810.36
Agricultural Repair Services Ltd – service/parts PC tractor (Sundry Creditor)	716.53
Global Maintainance Ltd – power sweep/moss treatment to 3 tennis courts	360.00
Dr D Gallagher (Webmaster) – website transfer/rebuild costs	250.00
Salaries – part-time Clerk/part-time Park-keeper	1,430.25
HM Revenue & Customs – Income Tax & NIC	154.26

It was RESOLVED that all the foregoing accounts be paid.

11099 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Annual Meeting of the Council 13 May 2019, commencing at 7.15pm at Aughton Village Hall Annexe.

Before closing the meeting, the Chairman thanked the retiring Parish Councillors David Gallagher, Ian Grant and Dudley Walne for all the hard work they had put in as members and she also hoped that they could be called on for resource if needed in the future.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.20pm.