

CRONTON PARISH COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING



Minutes of the COUNCIL MEETING held on 16 October 2017 at 7.00 pm at the Parish Council Office, 7 Hampton Drive, Cranton.

Present : Councillors W Cook (Chair), D Bray, S Cooper, J Foran, G McGann, G Pentin and D Rostance

In attendance: V Osborne (The Clerk)
2 Members of the public

69. APOLOGIES

It was resolved that apologies for absence from Councillor P M Green be accepted.

70. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

It was reported that no declarations of interest were received.

69. MINUTES

It was resolved to accept the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 4 September 2017 as an accurate record and signed by the Chairman.

70. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Parking issue in Iver Close – Issues arising from cars parked by parents/carers outside the back gate of the school in Iver Close still had not been resolved. The Council would contact Knowsley Council again regarding the proposed questionnaire/consultation in respect of imposing parking restrictions in the Close.

71. COMMITTEE MINUTES

It was resolved that the unconfirmed minutes of undermentioned Committees be noted:

- (a) General Purposes and Environment Committee meeting held on 18 September 2017
- (b) Finance and Police Committee meeting held on 18 September 2017

72. REPORTS

- (a) **Policing** – It was a fairly peaceful summer but there was hardly any Police presence in the village. The Council would request the latest crime figures from the Police.
- (b) **Healthwatch Knowsley** – No activities other than routine communication.
- (c) **Transport** – The toll bridge over the River Mersey opened to traffic on the 14 October 2017.
- (d) **Environment** – Refurbishment at Coronation Gardens and St Anne's Well was in progress. Quotations for the replacement fingerpost were being sought. The Pathways Project would keep the Council informed.

It was resolved that the above reports be noted.

73. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

APP. NO: 17/00482/FUL

LOCATION: Sandstone Gable Pex Hill Cranton

PROPOSAL: ERECTION OF TWO STOREY SIDE/REAR EXTENSION, SINGLE STOREY FRONT EXTENSION, 2NO ROOF LIGHTS TO FRONT AND DORMER TO REAR

DECISION **Granted**

It was resolved that the above planning decision be noted.

74. BUDGETARY CONTROL REPORT

It was resolved that the Budgetary Control Report as at 16 October 2017 shown in Appendix A be received and approved.

75. RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

It was resolved that receipts and payments as listed in the attached Appendix be noted and approval.

76. COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW

Councillor S Cooper attended a meeting with Knowsley Council on the 27 September 2017 about the Community Governance Review being carried out in the Borough by Knowsley Council. The public consultation ran from 29/9/17 to 10/11/17.

For members' information, he gave the background information on the Review and its objectives. It was highlighted that Cronton unlike other parish and town councils sat wholly within one borough ward (Whiston South) so was unlikely to see any changes to its electoral boundaries.

8 out of 10 seats of the Council were filled and it found difficulty in filling the vacancies. A discussion took place on the possibility of reducing the number of seats to 8, its implications and potential benefits.

It was resolved that the Council will defend its position and Councillor S Cooper will prepare a response.

Councillor S Cooper would attend a one-to-one meeting with Yvonne Ledgerton of Knowsley Council on the 23 November 2017. Meanwhile, the Chairman would contact LALC and the MALC about reducing the number of a council.

77. TOWN END, CRONTON CONSERVATION AREA

It was resolved that the Notification of Amendments to Town End, Cronton Conservation Area Boundary and Adoption of Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan be noted.

78. PLANNING FOR THE RIGHT HOMES IN THE RIGHT PLACES

It was resolved that the consultation on Planning for the Right Homes in the Right Places be noted.

79. REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY SERVICE

Arrangements for the Remembrance Sunday Service on 12/11/17 were finalised. Details were given in the checklist.

80. VILLAGE AND COMMUNITY ISSUES

Potholes in Lambourn Avenue and Kenley Avenue – Councillor J Foran would report to Knowsley Council (Tarmac).

In response to the request made by the Chairman to Richard Thorpe of Knowsley Council, the overgrown shrubs/trees at the junction of Brook Close and Hall Lane had been cut back.

A site meeting with United Utilities would take place to discuss the Beacon event at Pex Hill next year.

81. CRONTON NEWS

The autumn newsletter was in progress.

The meeting closed at 7.50 pm.

Signed _____ Date 27 November 2017