

**CRONTON PARISH COUNCIL**  
**GENERAL PURPOSES & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**



Minutes of the meeting of the **General Purposes and Environment Committee** held on **19 January 2015** at the Parish Council Office, 7 Hampton Drive, Cranton, commencing at 7.00 pm.

**Present:** Councillors D Rostance (Chair), D Bray, S Cooper, W Cook, J Foran, P M Green and G McGann

**In attendance:** Vitti Osborne (Clerk)  
1 member of the public

**65. APOLOGIES**

**It was resolved** that apologies for absence received from Councillors G Pentin and I Watson be approved.

**66. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

It was reported that no declarations of interest had been submitted.

**67. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING**

**It was resolved** to accept the minutes of the Meeting of the General Purposes and Environment held on 8 December 2014 as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**68. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

It was raised that large vehicles often get stranded at the narrow path of Hall Lane leading to Rainhill blocking the traffic. This can cause delays to emergency vehicles. Widening the road to become a trunk road is not a good option. However, emergency vehicles can use Fox's Bank Lane instead.

**69. PLANNING APPLICATION**

No planning application notices were received from Knowsley Council.

**70. CAROL SERVICE**

(a) **It was resolved** that the thank you letter from Alzheimer's Society for the donation be noted.

(b) A letter had been received from a resident concerning about no reception was held for the Carol Service.

**It was resolved** that the resident's comments be noted and the Council will endeavour to reinstate the tradition this year with the support of the villagers.

Seeking volunteers in newsletters and through notices in the shop window were suggested.

## **71. STATE OF THE VILLAGE**

The following were discussed:

- (a) Importance of keeping the streets clean as rubbish can reduce the cost of a house. Related newspaper articles will be displayed in the shop window together with Knowsley Council environmental helpline 443 2400.
- (b) The caravan parked permanently at the back of the shops is an eye sore though it is not illegal parking.
- (c) Many car parking spaces are taken by shop owners or occupied by cars picking up school children, thus causing convenience to shoppers. School traffic remains a concern.
- (d) The back of the shops and some garage doors opposite are in appalling conditions. It was suggested seeking community payback to paint the garage doors. Councillors undertook to find out the garage owners and to get their permission.

## **72. HIGHWAYS ISSUES REFERRED BY CRONTON NEIGHBOURHOOD NETWORK**

- (a) **It was resolved** that a letter be sent to the Traffic Management of Knowsley Council to impose an Traffic Regulation Order to restrict or prohibit the use of Hall Lane leading to Mill Lane by large vehicles with appropriate road signs at both ends of the route.
- (b) **It was resolved** that no further action on the proposal requesting the Highways Department to provide speed limit signs for traffic diverted through Cronton.
- (c) **It was resolved** that Traffic Management be requested extending the 20 mph speed limit to Chapel Lane.

## **73. POLICE REPORT AND CRIME STATISTICS 2014**

**It was resolved** that Police Report and Crime Statistics provided by Dave Rimmer (PCSO) be noted with thanks.

## **74. ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR**

Urged residents to remain vigilant to prevent anti-social behaviour incidents on The Pasture last summer from happening again.

## **75. CRONTON NEWS**

Proposed contents: Precept 2015/16 and clean streets.

**The meeting closed at 7.55 pm.**

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date 2 March 2015