



CRANTON PARISH COUNCIL

GENERAL PURPOSES & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting of the **General Purposes and Environment Committee** held on **22 January 2018** 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, G McGann and G Pentin

In attendance: Vitti Osborne (The Clerk)

46. APOLOGIES

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

47. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

It was reported that no declarations of Interest were received.

48. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

It was resolved to accept the minutes of the General Purposes and Environment Committee meeting held on 11 December 2017 as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

49. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public were present.

50. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(a) **APP. NO: 17/00696/TCA**

LOCATION: Stonecross Smithy Lane Cranton

PROPOSAL: Remedial pruning to 1 no blue cedar, remedial pruning to 1 no. scots pine

DECISION Granted

It was resolved that the planning decision be noted.

51. BEACON EVENT ON REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY 11/11/18

(a) A written approval had been received from United Utilities on the 15 January 2018 giving permission to the Parish Council to hold a Beacon Event at Pex Hill on Remembrance Sunday 11/11/18. To address the matters raised, residents in the area would be informed of the arrangements prior to the event and people encouraged to walk to the site. Adequate temporary lighting would be erected.

(b) The cost of the beacon is £360 + VAT. Accessories - 2 x 19 kg propane gas cylinders (estimate £80 + VAT) and 1 x 400g cylinder of propane (estimate £12 + VAT). Total estimated cost = £452 + VAT.

It was resolved that approval be given to purchase a beacon from a specialist supplier - Bulfinch (Gas Equipment) Ltd and an increase of £550 for the Remembrance Day budget be recommended for 2018/19.

52. VILLAGE AND COMMUNITY ISSUES

- (a) This year's village walk around/inspection would take place on Monday 5/2/18.
- (b) A site meeting was held on 17/1/18 regarding school parking issues in Iver Close. It was attended by Parish Councillors, a Knowsley Officer, the school Headteacher, the Chairperson of the School Governors and a few residents. The Officer was fully aware of the situation. To address the issues raised, he would continue to monitor the situation and would come up with some options for consideration.

53. NOTICE OF PUBLIC CONSULTATION – HALTON DELIVERY & ALLOCATIONS LOCAL PLAN

The Parish Council was concerned about Halton Council's Green Belt Policy in relation to the areas bordering Cronton and the land opposite the Sixth Form College.

To allow members more time to study the documents, **it was resolved** to defer this agenda item to the next Council Meeting.

54. CRONTON NEWSLETTER

Proposed topics for the next newsletter

- New external audit arrangements (Clerk)
- Contact details for reporting potholes (JF – received)
- Contact details for reporting crime (Clerk)
- Precept 2018/19 – ground maintenance (SC)
- The Pasture and dog fouling (JF – received)

The meeting closed at 7.25 pm.

Signed _____ Date 5 March 2018