

CRONTON PARISH COUNCIL
GENERAL PURPOSES & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE



Minutes of the meeting of the **General Purposes and Environment Committee** held on **17 September 2018** at the Parish Council Office, 7 Hampton Drive, Cranton, commencing at 7.00 pm.

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

In attendance: Vitti Osborne (The Clerk)
2 members of the public

16. APOLOGIES

It was resolved that apologies for absence received from Councillor J Foran be accepted.

17. WELCOME

The Chairman welcomed the newly co-opted member Councillor D Thomas to the meeting.

18. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

It was reported that no declarations of Interest were received.

19. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

It was resolved to accept the minutes of the General Purposes and Environment Committee meeting held on 9 July 2018 as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

20. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- (a) Speeding in the village – Inadequate 20 mph speed limit signs at the junctions of Hall Lane and Smithy Lane. The speed limit signs installed were too small. Signs painted on the road were suggested.
- (b) As the recent speed enforcement operation in Smithy Lane was a success, the Police would be requested to carry out further operations in the village.
- (c) The speed limit sign at the St Helens end of Hall Lane had yet to be installed.
- (d) The smiley face speed monitor that had been used in Smithy Lane was effective. It was suggested contacting the Ward Councillors for their assistance in getting the speed monitor for the village again.
- (e) The installation of speed check camera signs was also suggested.
- (f) The blind spot in Hall Lane by the Holy Family Social Club was a concern.
- (g) The Council would ask the Police if a speed camera could be loaned to the Council.
- (h) The Police would be requested to provide crime figures for Cranton at regular intervals.

Councillor D Rostance would follow-up the matters discussed.

21. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

No planning application nor decision notifications were received from Knowsley Council.

22. REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE AND BEACONING LIGHTING CEREMONY (11/11/18)

The followings were reported and discussed:

- (a) Cronton Garden Centre agreed to open the car park for the beacon lighting ceremony.
- (b) 2 gas cylinders would be ordered from the Garden Centre
- (c) The flag rope had been fixed by David Webster, most appreciated.
- (d) The two local schools were very supportive and would like to get involved. Update would be provided by Councillor G McGann.
- (e) It was proposed to invite 8 children from both schools to lay a wreath for the individuals named on the war memorial.
- (f) It was proposed to vire £200 from the Grants budget to fund extra expenses for the event.
- (g) To check the Pex Hill car park access is free of pot holes (Councillors S Cooper/G McGann).
- (h) Leaflets informing residents at Pex Hill (Councillor S Cooper).
- (i) Two parking posters would be provided (Councillor S Cooper).
- (j) Jimmy Finnigan accepted the invitation to light the beacon (Councillor D Rostance).
- (k) To invite the Ward Councillors and the Mayor and Mayoress to attend the Beacon Lighting Ceremony
- (l) To notify the local newspapers.
- (m) To arrange a meeting with stakeholders.

23. ECUMENICAL CAROL SERVICE

It was proposed to hold the Carol Service either on the 13th or 18th December 2018. The Clerk undertook to check with the schools

24. VILLAGE AND COMMUNITY ISSUES

- (a) After a long negotiation with Knowsley Council, the refurbishment of the railings on Cronton Road opposite the Community Centre had started.
- (b) Large items of fly-tipped waste had been removed quickly by Knowsley Council. Councillor D Rostance undertook to thank them for their quick response.

25. CRANTON NEWSLETTER

This would be discussed at the next meeting.

The meeting closed at 7.42 pm.

Signed _____ Date 29 October 2018