

P R E E S A L L T O W N C O U N C I L .

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 13th June 2011, at St. Aidan's Technology College, Cartgate Preesall.

PRESENT:- The Mayor, Councillor Miss Vivien Taylor, in the chair, Councillors Black, Drobny, Lamb, Mrs Lawson, McCann, Moon, Mrs Mutch, Nuttall and Orme.

PRAYERS:- The Reverend Dawn Banks gave a reading and said prayers.

APOLOGY:- Councillor Carter sent his apology, this was accepted and noted.

POLICE MATTERS:- PC Stuart Thompson gave the crime figures for the month of May, crimes were 9 of which 6 were detected, last year the figure was 14 (5). The anti social figures were 13 of which 3 were youth related, last year 21 (11). He reported that the fire on the shelter on the Esplanade was being investigated. He also reported on the accident on Park Lane, concern was expressed on the delay in the Police's response time. The Clerk was asked to write to the Chief Constable re this accident. A complaint had been received from a resident concerning the playing field where footballs are going into a resident's garden on Willow Drive. It was agreed to put this on the agenda for the July meeting. It was also agreed to ask Barton Landscapes to remove the goalposts for the summer.

LENGHMAN'S REPORT:- None, Mr Hutchinson sent his apology.

OPEN QUESTION TIME:- Cllr. Moon asked if Transco could be contacted re the state of the gas box on Park Lane opposite Hampson Grove. The Clerk to follow up. Cllr Mrs Lawson asked if the kerb could be dropped opposite the gaps in the seawall so that the public with wheelchairs could cross the road. The Clerk to follow up. Cllr McCann mentioned the planes on the beach, an event organised by the Cockerham Flying Club. He thought some notification could have been given, as the event was organised to make aware Help for Heroes. Cllr Orme questioned about copies of standing orders, and contract of service for the Clerk. It was agreed to set up a working party of The Mayor, Cllrs. Orme, McCann and Drobny to arrange these.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:- It was unanimously agreed that the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 16th May 2011 be approved and adopted as Council Policy.

1) MATTERS ARISING:- Cllr McCann said he did report the over- hanging trees on the playing field to WBC. Cllrs Mrs Lawson and Mrs Mutch reported they had spoken to Adrian Cross re the broken tiles in Barton Square. Cllr Orme said the wording in para. 96 re his question on funding was incorrect, and he gave the Clerk a written copy of his question that read- "Cllr. Enquired if the circa £6k that had been precepted for in 08/09 for youth projects, ie youth shelter could now be released to the FOPP would like to take the project forward."

2) ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:- It was unanimously agreed that the accounts as listed on the order papers and dated 13th June 2011 be authorised for payment. The remittances were duly signed by the authorised signatures.

3) CLERK'S UPDATE:- a) The Clerk reported that he had placed on the notice boards an advert advertising on a vacancy on the Council, the closing date being the end of June 2011. b) Details were given of a WBC Mayoral event at the Civic centre. c) a letter of thanks was read from the Air Ambulance thanking the Mayor for the generous donation. d) Friends of Preesall Park have written asking for permission to hold a car boot sale on Sunday 10th July 2011. Councillors gave their permission. e) the Clerk reported that planning permission had been granted by WBC for the flag pole at the cenotaph. f) Copies of the response from Hailite Energy have been copied to all

members and the contents were noted. g) The Clerk reported that the Gala Committee had not yet asked for permission to use the playing field on Gala day. It was reported that they would be applying in the near future, permission was provisionally granted. h) A request has been received from the Fylde Coast Bridleways Association asking permission to close the Ferry car park on the morning of 25th June 2011, and display notices informing the public of the closure on the notice boards. Permission was granted.

4) ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDING 31/03/11:- The Clerk went through the accounts for the year ending 31st March 2011 in detail, and answered any questions. The accounts were accepted and the Mayor with members' permission signed off the audit papers, counter signed by the Clerk. The accounts and supporting documents would now be passed to the local auditor before being sent onto DBO LLP at Southampton.

5) FUNDS FOR ORGANISATIONS:- Cllr McCann suggested setting up a fund to help organisations provided they have demonstrated they have raised money themselves. This would be in the 2012/13 budget. Discussion took place and it was proposed by Cllr McCann and seconded by Cllr Orme that " a community fund to go to people in the area who have raised money in a non profit organisation to be included in the 2012/13 budget" The voting was for 9 against 1 abstain nil. The proposal was agreed.

6) COURSES FOR COUNCILLORS:- Cllr Lamb reported that he had been in contact with LALC re courses for Councillors. a 6 hour course would cost £400-00, £190-00 would give 15 -20 Councillors 2 to 2-5 hours on a Saturday morning on any topic that they wished. Discussion took place and it was agreed that the Clerk write to Pilling, Hambleton and Stalmine PC s to see if they would be interested in joining PTC in this exercise.

7) REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES:- Cllr Mrs Mutch reported on Wyre in Bloom. Cllr McCann stated he had been elected Lead Councillor for Rural Affairs. Cllr Moon commented on the Inspector's report on the Gypsies. Cllr Nuttall reported on The Best Kept Village Competition. Cllr Drobny spoke about the Library garden. Cllr Mrs Lawson stated Wyre in Bloom were looking for gardens to be entered into the judging.

PLANNING APPLICATION:- On the basis of information received from WBC the list as published and dated 13th June 2011 was fully discussed and by way of representation/observation the following recommendation was made.

11/00337/FUL The Hill Mill Street Preesall

Voting For 6 Against 4 Abstain Nil (concerned that the development might become commercial)

As there was no other business the Mayor closed the meeting and stated the next one would be on Monday 11th July 2011.