

**Cronton Neighbourhood Network Meeting**  
**Tuesday 5 April 2016, 7.00 pm**  
**at Cronton Parish Council Offices, 7 Hampton Drive, Cronton**

**MINUTES**

**Attendance**

Will Cook	(Chairman & Councillor)
Denis Bray	(Vice-Chairman, Councillor and Cronton Gala)
Terry Byron	(Ward Councillor – Whiston & Cronton)
David Williams	(Ward Councillor – Whiston & Cronton)
Dave Rostance	(Parish Councillor)
John Foran	(Parish Councillor)
Peter Sprung	(Merseyside Police – Dedicated Neighbourhood Sergeant)
Ben Webb	(Merseyside Police – Dedicated Neighbourhood Constable)
Philip Hurst	(Green Field Development Officer – Knowsley MBC)
David Webbing	(Knowsley MBC)
Vitti Osborne	(Secretary & Parish Clerk)
Chris Birtwistle	(Secretary, Cronton Community Association)
Ian Clare	(Resident)
Paul Williams	(Resident)

**1. Apologies**

Apologies for absence were received from Ian Watson (Gala Committee).

**2. Welcome**

The Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**3. Minutes of Last Meeting**

Minutes of the meeting held on 12 January 2016 were approved as a correct record.

**4. Matters Arising**

Matters arising were on the agenda.

**5. The Pasture**

**Drainage of the field** – A local charity paid for the feasibility study. The project will be funded by a grant and matched funding. A grant application has been submitted and the result will be announced at the end of April. This will be the last major project for the playing field. More people will benefit from it and more activities can take place. Residents, local groups and organisations are welcome to put forward suggestions and funding is available.

**The Centenary Fields Programme** – The Parish Council supported the programme. With the assistance of Knowsley Council, an application has been submitted to secure the recreational space at Hall Lane in perpetuity. The status will also protect the site from housing development in the future.

## 6. Police and Community Together

The following matters were discussed:

- **Crime figures for Cronton 2016** – Lower crime figures compared with the same period last year.
- **Scrambler bikes issues** – Extra attention is given by the Police.
- **Car burglaries** – Residents are reminded to be vigilant against car crime. Automatic number plate recognition facility is available where needed.
- **Anti-social behaviour** – A significant number of youths shifted from Upton Rocks to the Pasture. The situation is particularly serious on Friday and Saturday evenings. A large number of metal canisters were left in the Holy Family Parish Centre car park. Two car windows were broken.
- **Speeding** – Two volunteers offered to undertake community speed watch training. Temporary speed check facility can be deployed to Cronton.

## 7. Environment

- **Fly tipping** – To use Knowsley Council app to report fly tipping. Photos can be attached.
- **Litter bin emptying schedules** – A Knowsley Officer will be looking into the litter bin emptying issues.
- **Road surface issues** – Tarmac was considered not proactive in resolving highway maintenance issues. It takes longer than before to complete a job. The road on Chapel Lane has been resurfaced with the exception of a length of road surface.

## 8. Feedback from Cronton Parish Council

- **Mersey Gateway tolls** – The Parish Council has put forth a case to Government asking to include Cronton in the toll-free scheme.
- **Planning applications** – App No. 16/0014/FUL (Permission granted). App No. 16/0094/FUL (Observations submitted).
- **Cronton newsletter** – The spring newsletter will soon be ready. It was suggested including information on Knowsley Council apps in the newsletter.

Ward Councillor D Williams expressed his thanks for the support he had received from the Parish Council during his term of office.

## 9. Other notified business

There was no other notified business

## 10. Date of next meeting

**Tuesday 12 July 2016, 7.00 pm at the Parish Council Offices, 7 Hampton Drive, Cronton.**

The meeting was closed at 8.00 pm.