# CRONTON PARISH COUNCIL COUNCIL MEETING



Minutes of the COUNCIL MEETING held on 19 June 2017 at 7.00 pm at the Parish Council Office, 7 Hampton Drive, Cronton.

Present: Councillors S Cooper (Vice-Chairman in the Chair), D Bray, J Foran and D Rostance

In attendance: V Osborne (The Clerk)

4 Members of the public

# 27. APOLOGIES

**It was resolved** that apologies for absence received from Councillors W Cook, P M Green, G McGann and G Pentin be accepted.

# 28. <u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u>

It was reported that no declarations of Interest were received.

## 29. MINUTES

It was resolved to accept the minutes of the Council Annual Meeting held on 8 May 2017 as an accurate record and signed by the Chairman.

## 30. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The followings were raised by members of the public:

- (a) Measures to be implemented by Knowsley Council at the Junction of Hall Lane, Penny Lane and Smithy Lane to improve road safety The Council will contact Richard Thorpe of Knowsley Council for an update following a site meeting.
- (b) No policing in the village The Council will raise the concern with the Police and Crime Commissioner.
- (c) Inconsiderate parking at The Roundabout created problems for other road users. It was responded that action would be taken by the Police if the vehicles were illegally parked.

## **31. COMMITTEE MINUTES**

It was resolved that the unconfirmed minutes of undermentioned Committees be noted:

- (a) General Purposes and Environment Committee meeting held on 22 May 2017
- (b) Finance and Police Committee meeting held on 22 May 2017

## 32. REPORTS

- (a) **Policing** It was disappointing that the Gala received no Police support for prevention of antisocial behaviour. On a recent Friday evening, hundreds of youth descended onto the Pasture and Pex Hill. It was intimidating though caused no troubles.
- (b) **Healthwatch Knowsley** No report.
- (c) **Transport** No report.

(d) **Environment** – Cronton Pathways Project was successful in obtaining three grants for three community projects to restore the finger post and to refurbish St Anne's Well and Coronation Gardens.

It was resolved that the above reports be noted.

# 33. PLANNING APPLICATION

## (a) APP. NO: 17/00310/FUL

LOCATION: 3 Park Villas Cronton Road Cronton

**PROPOSAL**: DEMOLITION OF GARDEN STORE, ERECTION OF TWO STOREY EXTENSIONS TO FRONT AND SIDE OF EXISTING DWELLING, INSTALLATION OF 2NO DORMERS TO FRONT ELEVATION, INSTALLATION OF 6NO ROOF LIGHTS, INSTALLATION OF BALCONY TO FRONT ELEVATION OVER NEW PORTICO ENTRANC.

#### APP. NO: 17/00345/FUL

LOCATION: White House Farm Prescot Road Cronton

PROPOSAL: ERECTION OF SINGLE STOREY EXTENSION TO SIDE AND PORCH TO FRONT, TOGETHER WITH INCREASE TO HEIGHT OF EAVES, AND INSTALLATION OF DORMERS TO FRONT AND REAR (BAY WINDOWS AND CONSERVATORY TO BE REMOVED)

It was resolved that the Council has no observations to make on these applications.

#### (b) APP. NO: 17/00236/FUL

LOCATION: B C Neill Air Conditioning Ltd Adj Brentwood Cronton Road Cronton PROPOSAL: APPLICATION TO VARY CONDITION NO.2 AS APPLIED TO PLANNING PERMISSION 15/00826/FUL - DEMOLITION OF EXISTING COMMERCIAL PREMISES AND REMOVAL OF HARDSTANDING TOGETHER WITH ERECTION OF 1NO TWO STOREY 5 BED DWELLINGHOUSE WITH REVISED VEHICULAR ACCESS AND ASSOCIATED LANDSCAPING - AMENDMENT SOUGHT TO APPROVED PLANS TO ALLOW FOR THE INCLUSION OF SOLAR PANELS TO THE ROOF AT REAR AND SIDE **DECISION Granted** 

It was resolved that the planning decision be noted.

# 34. BUDGETARY CONTROL REPORT

It was resolved that the Budgetary Control Report as at 19 June 2017 shown in Appendix A be received and approved.

#### 35. RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

It was resolved that receipts and payments as listed in the attached Appendix be noted and approval.

# 36. <u>INTERNAL AUDIT 2016/17</u>

Members received for consideration the Annual Internal Audit Report for 2016/17. The Internal Audit took place on 12 June 2017. The Internal Auditor confirmed that the Council's system of internal controls are both effective and adequate for the purpose intended. He had signed the External Auditors's Return confirming his satisfaction with the Council's procedures.

His comments on tightening the Council's Grants Policy to ensure that all receipts in respect of the grants given must be provided and sanctions for non-conformity were considered.

**It was resolved** that the Annual Internal Audit Report for 2016/17 be accepted and the Grants Policy be reviewed. Approval has also been given for the payment of audit fee of £90.

# 37. FLY THE RED ENSIGN FOR MERCHANT NAVY DAY

The Parish Council has been invited by Seafarers UK to fly the red ensign for Merchant Navy Day on the 3 September 2017. It is a nationwide campaign to raise public awareness of the ongoing reliance on seafarers and shipping.

It was resolved that the Council supports the campaign and will fly a Red Ensign.

Councillor S Cooper will arrange to purchase a Red Ensign.

# 38. VILLAGE AND COMMUNITY ISSUES

The road surface of the parking bays outside the shops on Hampton Drive is in a poor condition and Knowsley Council had been asked to resurface the parking bays but the reply from Knowsley Council (Tarmac) was very disappointing.

**It was resolved** that a copy of criteria for highways maintenance be obtain from Knowsley Council (Tarmac).

## 39. CRONTON NEWS

Suggested topics for the next issue:

- Cronton Pathways Project grants and projects
- Merseyside Police multimedia contacts
- Gala 2017
- Fly the Red Ensign

The meeting	g closed at 7.30 pm.			
Signed		Date	31 July 2017_	