

CRONTON PARISH COUNCIL
GENERAL PURPOSES & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE



Minutes of the meeting of the **General Purposes and Environment Committee** held on **21 January 2019** at the Parish Council Office, 7 Hampton Drive, Cronton, commencing at 7.00 pm.

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

In attendance: Vitti Osborne (The Clerk)
N Leavin – Special Constable, Merseyside Police
L Phillips – Knowsley Community PCSO
1 member of the public

46. APOLOGIES

It was resolved that apologies for absence received from Councillor G McGann 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 10 December 2018 as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

49. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Policing – The Chairman welcomed the two Police Officers for attending the meeting. The following matters were discussed:

Anti-social behaviour - Though Cronton was not a hot spot for anti-social behaviour issues, however problems caused by people from outside of the village was a concern especially at night time and when the weather improved. The Police was aware of the issue and recently an operation took place on Cronton Road/Pex Hill quarry. This sent a message of zero tolerance to anti-social behaviour in the area.

Speeding - Speeding in Smithy Lane and Hall Lane was raised. The Police would keep the Council informed of speed enforcement operations in the area.

Police visibility - The importance of Police visibility was also discussed.

Calling 101 – Due to the post code WA8, the call was directed to Cheshire Police with an option for Merseyside.

Contact – Policing issues could be raised with Inspector Philip Mullally

Members thanked the Officers for attending the meeting and for the action taken. They looked forward to better communication with the Police and more Police visibility. The Police was also welcomed to use the Parish Council premises when they were in the area.

50. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

APP. NO: 18/00755/FUL

LOCATION: Bungalow Lower House Farmhouse Prescott Road
PROPOSAL: DEMOLITION OF EXISTING BUNGALOW AND ERECTION OF A NEW TWO STOREY DWELLING - RETENTION OF DWELLING FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS TO APPROVED DESIGN (GRANTED PERMISSION UNDER APPLICATION REFERENCE 16/00831/FUL)

It was resolved that the Council has no observations to make on the planning proposal provided the development must meet the requirements of the Green Belt policy.

51. THE PASTURE MAINTENANCE

The following organisation and companies would be invited to tender for the maintenance of the Pasture for 2019/20:

- Knowsley Council
- Peter Crosby Landscape Limited
- K P Sumner Ltd

52. ECUMENICAL CAROL SERVICE - FEEDBACK

Attendance was affected by poor weather condition however the service on the whole was good.

53. VILLAGE AND COMMUNITY ISSUES

- Councillor D Thomas reported that land North of the M62 abutting the parish boundary was not included in any of St Helen's development plans up to 2035.
- It was also reported that the unsuitable for HGV sign at the Northern end of Hall Lane had been installed.

54. CRONTON NEWSLETTER

Proposed topics for the next newsletter.

- Remembrance Day Service – Councillor S Cooper
- The Beaconing Lighting Ceremony – Councillor S Cooper
- The Pasture maintenance – Councillor S Cooper
- Senior Citizens Christmas Party – B Seddon
- Information boards at Coronation Gardens and St Anne's Well – Councillor D Rostane/B Smith
- Dog Fouling – Councillor J Foran (received)
- Railing refurbishment on Cronton Road – Councillor J Foran (received)
- Precept 2019/20 – Councillor S Cooper (received)

The meeting closed at 7.48 pm

Signed _____ Date 4 March 2019