

Minutes of the meeting of the **General Purposes and Environment Committee** held on **20 September 2021** at 7.00 pm at Cronton Parish Council, 7 Hampton Drive, Cronton.

Present: Councillors D Rostance (Chair), W Cook, J Foran, R Hayes and G McGann

In attendance: Councillor T Bryon (Ward Councillor – Whiston and Cronton)

Vitti Osborne (The Clerk)

V Dooley - Chair, Cronton Gala Committee

1 Resident

20. APOLOGIES

It was resolved that apologies for absent received from Councillors L Terry and D Thomas be accepted.

21. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

It was reported that no declarations of Interest were received.

22. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

It was resolved to accept the minutes of the General Purposes and Environment Committee meeting held on 5/7/21 as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

23. WARD COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

Councillor T Byron reported on the followings:

- Pending completion of the new exit of the Holy Family Church car park (APP. NO. 19/00691/FUL) Awaiting response from Knowsley Council.
- Halton Local Plan Mark Cawood (Head of Planning, Knowsley Council) would meet with the Parish Council on planning matters if required.
- Smiley face speed detecting devices A response had been sent by Keith Moyles of Knowsley Council to the Parish Council explaining the current situation. It was further considered under agenda item 10.
- Cycleway Phase 9 Would obtain an update on the drainage issue on Cronton Road.

24. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

APP. NO: 21/00698/FUL APP. TYPE Full Application

LOCATION: 6 Chapel Lane Cronton WA8 4NU

PROPOSAL: ERECTION OF SINGLE STOREY REAR EXTENSION

It was resolved that the Parish Council has no observations to make except there is no encroachment into the green belt.

25. THE PASTURE MASTERPLAN

The Working Group had a positive meeting with Knowsley officers. Currently, Knowsley Council was looking into funding. A survey of the site would be carried out.

26. REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE (14/11/21)

Covid-19 remained a risk so it was still unsafe to hold a service at the war memorial which would be attended by a large number of people. For health and safety of residents, it was agreed that the format of the remembrance service would be as last year. Wreaths could be delivered to the Council Office at a set time prior to 14 November and two Councillors would lay the wreaths on the Remembrance Sunday after observing two minutes silence. Information would be posted on the website, and churches, local groups and schools would also be informed accordingly.

27. CAROL SERVICE

It was proposed to hold the Carol Service on Thursday 16/12/21. The Clerk would seek the view of the two local schools on this year's Carol Service. Councillor J Foran would contact the church.

28. VILLAGE AND COMMUNITY ISSUES

- (a) Speed indicator device (SID) Knowsley Council was unable to provide permanent SIDs to Cronton due to financial difficulties but would share the devices within the borough. A discussion took place on the possibility of including the SIDs as part of the infrastructure of the cycleway project. The Chairman commented that the cycleway budget was ring-fenced. In the circumstances, the Parish Council would like to know when a device could be assigned to Cronton again.
- (b) Tree at the entrance of Community Centre was blocking the traffic light The Chairman would follow this up.
- (c) Policing To invite the Merseyside's Police and Crime Commissioner to attend a meeting.

29. VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

Main topics for the autumn newsletter:

- The Pasture maintenance/Masterplan (DR)
- Cycleway (GM)
- Covid-19 support (SC)
- Remembrance Sunday (SC)
- Speed watch scheme (SC)
- St Anne's Well (SC)
- Carol Service (Clerk)
- Cronton Gala + photos (RH/VD)
- Cronton Garden Centre (JF and Clerk)

The	meeting	closed	l at 7.4	45pm

Signed _	Date	1 November 2021	