

## **CRONTON PARISH COUNCIL PURPOSE**

Cronton Parish Council (CPC) is the only Parish Council in the Borough of Knowsley. Cronton is located in a rural setting surrounded by Green Belt. It has a Conservation Area near to Cronton Hall, a long history, and is named in the Domesday Book.

CPC comprises 8 Parish Councillors and a part time salaried Parish Clerk. The councillor posts are elected voluntary positions. The main aim of the Council is to represent the views of the parishioners on matters affecting the Parish and to act where we have the power and to influence other bodies, such as Knowsley Metropolitan Borough Council (KMBC) and Halton Borough Council in order to preserve and enhance the quality of life of all the residents.

Some of the key functions of CPC are:

### **Safety**

Liaise with Merseyside police on a regular basis to help reduce crime and anti social behaviour issues

Support and promote the Neighbourhood Watch Group

Keep the roads safe by ensuring the speed detection device owned by Knowsley is fitted around the village and that police enforcement is carried out

Use no parking leaflets to promote better parking around the village

### **Health**

Promote healthy activities such as walking clubs in the area

Maintain the defibrillators and ensure adequate training is undertaken

### **Communication**

Develop a position on key issues affecting the village (examples are the cycle path; Cronton Colliery Development; developments at our boundary, bus stop closures etc)

Liaise with KMBC to ensure completion of actions to solve flooding issues, cutting back of hedgerows, maintaining footpaths

Communicate with Parishioners via the Website, Facebook page and the Council office to establish the key issues affecting the residents

Encourage participation in the Parish Council meetings by allowing residents more discussion time

Liaise with the three Ward Councillors from KMBC

## **Environment**

Protect the Green Belt by commenting on planning applications involving the Green Belt.  
Try to ensure no loss of Green Belt

Develop the Pasture by completing the plan to include a footpath

Ensure the Conservation Area is maintained to the correct standard

Ensure pot holes and poor signage are reported to KMBC and access for wheelchairs is maintained

Inform KMBC of fly tipping and dog fouling in and around the village

## **Planning**

Comment on planning applications to try and keep the village a coherent rural development

## **Grants**

Encourage and support local groups and charities in their work within Cronton to nurture a socially inclusive and caring community embracing all residents activities

## **Events**

Support the annual carol service and remembrance service

Overall CPC wants to openly engage with the local community to represent their views on matters affecting the Parish. CPC has no power to stop developments but its views are able to be heard at the highest level of KMBC and can influence matters to the benefit of the Parish. CPC will strive to deliver best value and quality of service through careful preparation of its budget and appropriate cost controls.

If any Parishioner would like to propose modifications to the above then we would welcome your input.

Cronton Parish Council

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