

CROSTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Meeting held 9 December 2009 at 7.30 pm in The Old School, Croston.

Present Cllrs A Peet (Chairman), R Baker, J Forrest, C Gibbons, S Mosalski, S Parkinson, B Thompson.

Also Present PC Plummer and PS Brookes.

133.09 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillors J Kearton and Borough Councillor D Dickinson.

134.09 Disclosure of Personal/Prejudicial Interests

None declared.

135.09 Minutes of Meeting held 11 November 2009

Resolved: the Minutes (as circulated) be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

Resolved: Standing Orders be suspended to allow members of the public to speak.

136.09 Public Participation

i) Police Report

Very few crimes were reported for the month. The local Pubwatch Scheme has been extended to include Croston and Mawdesley and six people have been banned from pubs. Speeding on Moor Road is a PACT priority and parking on Town Road will be monitored during the period of the roadworks, in January, which will close Moor Road.

ii) Borough Councillors

No report.

iii) Residents Points of Interest

No issues raised.

Resolved: Standing orders be restored.

137.09 Financial Matters

Councillors considered the financial update and bank reconciliation.

Resolved: the financial update be received and accepted and signed by the Chairman.

Resolved: the following payments be approved, the invoices having been inspected in accordance with fidelity guarantee requirements:

£ 376.73	Employee 1	Salary
£ 320.76	Employee 2	Salary
£ 80.20	HM Revenue & Customs	Tax
£ 229.71	Employee 2	Reimbursements
£ 15.00	Croston Old School	Room hire
£ 11.75	Astley Village Parish Council	Councillor training
£ 100.00	North West Air Ambulance	Grant
£ 143.00	Minuteman Press	Newsletter printing
£ 19.49	Galaxy Print	Lengthsmans workwear

138.09 Planning Matters

The following applications were considered:

09/00737/OUT Demolition of existing detached double garage and erection of single detached bungalow at 3 Out Lane.

09/00869/FUL Erection of a first floor rear extension and single storey rear extension. Roof conversion to create living accommodation including rear dormer. Demolition of detached garage at 18 Out Lane.

Councillors had no comments regarding the applications.

139.09 Policies and Protocols

The adoption of a Grievance and Discipline Procedure and a Bullying and Harassment Policy were considered.

Resolved: the Grievance and Discipline Procedure and the Bullying and Harassment Policy be adopted.

140.09 Village Green

Councillors considered a request from Croston Villages Festivities Group to use the Village Green car park on Sunday 13 December 2009, for the Christmas Festivities.

Resolved: permission be granted on the understanding that Village Festivities Group arrange the requisite notices for the car park.

141.09 2010 - 2011 Precept

Councillors were asked to provide the Clerk with details of any major items for consideration in the setting of the annual precept at the January meeting.

142.09 Reports from Outside Bodies (for information only)

Parish Clerks visited Chorley Council's Planning Department to discuss procedures and material planning considerations.

143.09 Exclusion of the Press and Public

Councillors considered the exclusion of members of the press and public for an item of business, in accordance with Part 1(section 1) of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

Resolved: Members of the public be excluded for the consideration of the following item.

144.09 Crime Prevention

Councillors discussed location of the closed circuit television camera to cover the Village Green over the Christmas period.

Resolved: a form of recompense for possible damage as a result of the location was agreed

Resolved: Councillor Parkinson and the Clerk are to make the necessary arrangements.

132.09 Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday 13 January 2010.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed.

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