

CROSTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Meeting held on 14 September 2016 at 7.30 pm in The Old School, Croston.

Present Councillors A Peet (Chairman), K Almond, M Cowley, K Iddon, S Laverick, B Paillusson and E Norris.

Also present 1 Member of the public.

96.16 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillors P Fenemore and G Stubbs.

97.16 Disclosure of Personal/Prejudicial Interests

None declared.

98.16 Minutes of the Meeting held on the 13 July 2016

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

Resolved: Standing Orders were suspended.

99.16 Public Participation

The pavement on Brookfield was reported as crumbling.

A resident brought a petition against the planning application for the new entrance for Croston Park to the meeting. Councillors advised residents who had signed the petition should submit individual objections to Chorley Council.

Councillors mentioned the cobbles on Castle Walks which had been removed and re-used for a parking area. This has been reported to Lancashire County Council.

Lancashire County Council is to look into restrictions for parking in the layby by the Co-op.

Lancashire County Council had advised no traffic calming measures will be put in place at the Meadow Lane junction with Shevington Causeway.

Councillors reported the damaged railings on Station Road have been repaired.

A resident had drawn attention to a lack of gully cleaning which had resulted in a blocked gully on Town Road near the War Memorial.

A resident had queried whether the 112 bus service could be included on the route from Wymott. This will be taken up with Lancashire County Council.

Resolved: Standing Orders were restored.

100.16 Planning Matters

The following applications were considered:

16/00663/FULHH Removal of existing timber sunroom to the side of the property to be replaced with new larger single storey side extension at 82 Station Road

16/00689/FULHH Removal of existing timber outhouse, amend front elevation window to existing kitchen to provide new entrance door. Construct new single storey flat roof extension to rear of property to provide additional kitchen/ living space and form a utility room in existing kitchen. Two skylight lanterns to flat roof at 33 Drinkhouse Road

16/00728/FULHH Demolition of existing conservatory and erection of two storey side, single storey side and single storey rear extensions at Gravel House Farm, Grape Lane

16/00748/FULHH Erection of two storey side extension and front dormers at 88 Westhead Road

16/00782/TCON Lime (Tree no.1) - Fell due to proximity to development. Compaction of roots, installation of extra drainage required to alleviate ground water pressure on foundations. Oak (Tree no.2) - Reduce to 10m monolith. Damage to main stem at approx 12m, leaning towards development. Beech (Tree no.3) - Reduce to 10m stem. Diseased, evidence of Ganadorma on stem and butress roots, upper crown in decline, showing reduced water uptake, very large and dangerous tree at Croston Hall, Croston Hall Estate, Grape Lane

16/00793/DIS Retrospective application for Discharge of Conditions 4 (Facing Materials), 5 (Windows, doors and other joinery) and 6 (Rainwater goods) relating to 15/01219/FUL re: Change of use from mixed A2/C3 (Estate Agent/Dwelling house) to C3 (dwelling house), demolition of existing rear extension and erection of replacement single-storey rear extension, creation of rear parking area at 22 Town Road

16/00824/FUL Proposed 3 bedroom detached dwelling together with associated access, parking, gardens and enclosures at Land Between 55 And 61 Moor Road

Councillors made no comments relating to these applications.

16/00601/FUL Demolition of the existing agricultural structures on site and the erection of 4 new dwellings (Use Class C3), and the demolition of the existing Drinkhouse Farmhouse and erection of a replacement dwelling, with associated open space, landscaping and vehicular access to be taken from the existing access at Drinkhouse Lane at Drinkhouse Farm, Drinkhouse Road. The meeting was advised that, due to time scales, a request to retain the Farmhouse as part of the development had been submitted to the Planning Officer. Councillors agreed with the request.

16/00680/FUL and 16/00681/LBC Formation of a new access to the nursing home and Listed Building Consent for same at Croston Park Nursing Home, Town Road

Resolved: an objection is to be submitted on the grounds of highway safety, as the proposed access is located close to the narrowest section of Town Road, with a bus stop directly opposite, impact on the Croston Conservation Area and increased flood risk, as the existing wall holds back water. The proposed opening will allow water to run out onto Town Road.

16/00742/TCON Works to trees (1 yew, 1 Nordman fir, 1 pine, 1 tulip, 1 oak, 3 birch, 1 spruce and 1 whitebeam and a group of woodland edge trees) and felling of 5 trees (3 cherry, 1 Nordman fir and 1 ash) within 'the Croft Field' in Croston Conservation Area SE of St Michael and All Angels Church at Land 75m NEE of St Michael and All Angels Church, Grape Lane

Resolved: the Council's support for the application is to be submitted.

101.16 Financial Matters

Councillors considered the monthly financial monitoring statement.

Resolved: the monitoring statement was received and accepted and signed by the Chairman.

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

£	442.22	Employee 1	Salary
£	465.99	Employee2	Salary
£	60.60	HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE
£	115.37	Employee 1	Reimbursements
£	18.50	Croston Old School	Room hire
£	240.00	BDO	Audit fee
£	1202.91	Came and Co	Annual premium
£	35.00	Information Commissioner	Data protection registration
£	£36.00	CPRE	Annual subscription
£	496.80	Countrywide Grounds Maintenance	Grass cutting
£	490.00	Printwise	Newsletter printing
£	60.00	L Ball	Newsletter delivery

102.16 Annual Return for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

The completed annual return was presented to Councillors.

Resolved: the annual return, including the External Auditor's certificate was approved and accepted.

103.16 Christmas Tree

An offer from Croston WI of a donation of a live Christmas tree was considered. Councillors were concerned children playing ball games on the Village Green might cause damage to a living tree. The WI is to be asked to consider a replacement for the diseased Rowan tree near the notice board.

104.16 Ironman UK

Chorley Council had requested feedback on the Ironman UK event regarding impact on the local area, management of future events, community involvement and highways related issues. Councillors advised the event was generally positively supported by residents and no complaints had been received. Representatives from the Ironman organisation had assisted following the Boxing Day floods.

105.16 SpID Locations

Lancashire County Council Officers had provided suggestions for suitable locations within the 20mph zones. Councillors are to look at lighting columns and provide alternative suggestions.

106.16 Lancashire Best Kept Village Competition 2016

The village has won the Best Large Village Award and attendees for the Awards ceremony were nominated.

Cllr Almond and a guest are to attend.

107.16 Closure of Chorley and South Ribble Accident and Emergency Department

Coppull Parish Council had suggested a joint approach to objections to the closure of the department. The Clerk is to contact Coppull Parish Council for further details.

108.16 Reports from Outside Bodies (for information only)

No reports.

109.16 Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday 12 October 2016.

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