

CROSTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Meeting held on 11 January 2017 at 7.30 pm in The Old School, Croston.

Present Councillors A Peet (Chairman), K Almond, P Fenemore, K Iddon, E Norris and B Paillusson.

Also present 2 Members of the Public

01.17 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillor M Cowley and G Stubbs.

02.17 Disclosure of Personal/Prejudicial Interests

None declared.

03.17 Minutes of the Meeting held on the 14 December 2016

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

Resolved: Standing Orders were suspended.

04.17 Public Participation

No issues raised.

Resolved: Standing Orders were restored.

05.17 Planning Matters

16/01146/FULHH Single storey rear extension and extension to front under existing canopy roof at 6 Rectory Close.

Councillors made no comments relating to this application.

An application for flood protection measures at Croston Park Nursing Home were discussed. Details of the plans were awaited.

06.17 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
£	446.24	Employee2	Salary
£	55.40	HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE
£	18.50	Croston Old School	Room hire

07.17 Reductions in Local Services

Councillors considered items raised at a meeting arranged by Chorley Council regarding reductions in local services.

A suggestion for parishes whose residents might use the facilities at Eccleston Library, to provide funding from precepts to retain the Library, was discussed. A meeting of parishes affected by the closure has been suggested. Councillors Almond and Fenemore volunteered to attend a meeting.

Councillors also discussed the withdrawal of the No. 7 (Croston - Charnock Richard - Chorley - Adlington) bus service by the operator. A revision to the route of the 113 (Preston to Wigan) service will allow passengers to get to Leyland.

08.17 2017-18 Precept

The Precept for 2017-18 was considered. A draft budget was presented, which would result in no increase in the Parish Council portion of council tax to residents.

Resolved: the Precept for 2017 - 2018 was set at £21710, which will result in no increase in the cost of the Parish Council portion of council tax to residents.

09.17 Reports from Outside Bodies (for information only)

No reports.

10.17 Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday 8 February 2017.

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