

CROSTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Meeting held on 12 July 2017 at 7.30 pm in The Old School, Croston.

Present Councillors A Peet (Chairman), K Almond, M Cowley, S Laverick, G Stubbs and K Ward.

76.17 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillors P Fenemore, K Iddon and B Paillusson.

77.17 Disclosure of Personal/Prejudicial Interests

None declared.

78.17 Minutes of the Meeting held on the 14 June 2017

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

Resolved: Standing Orders were suspended.

79.17 Public Participation

No items were raised.

Resolved: Standing Orders were restored.

80.17 Planning Matters

17/00559/FULHH Raise roof of existing single storey outbuilding, conversion into home office and addition of external cladding at Keepers Cottage Moss Road

17/00623/TCON Oak (T3) - Fell and Replace at Croston Hall, Croston Hall Estate, Grape Lane

Erection of single storey extensions to front and side of Doctors Surgery at Croston Village Surgery, Out Lane

17/00648/FULHH Two storey side and single storey rear extensions (following demolition of existing conservatory) at 50 Lonsdale Drive

17/00654/TCON Rowan tree (T1) remove due to fungal infection and replant replacement rowan in location to be approved at Village Green Town Road

Councillors made no comments regarding these applications.

It was reported that, due to the installation of a temporary structure, the number of spaces on the Lord Nelson car park had been reduced. This is to be queried with Planning Officers.

The Parish Council's comments on a proposal from Chorley Council to name the street for the new development at 127A Station Road as Worthington Close. As the development is adjacent to the former Methodist School building, School Close is to be put forward as an alternative suggestion.

81.17 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:

£	450.67	Employee 1	Salary
£	456.44	Employee2	Salary
£	50.20	HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE
£	18.50	Croston Old School	Room hire

£	284.40	Countrywide Grounds Maintenance	Grass cutting
£	10.00	OPSTA	Annual subscription
£	284.40	Countrywide Grounds Maintenance	Grass cutting
£	450.67	Employee 1	Salary - August
£	456.24	Employee2	Salary - August
£	50.40	HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE - August

82.17 Out Lane Car Park

Following inspection by the Council's Solicitor, the lease for the land was presented for signature. Standing Orders require two Members to be nominated to sign the lease on behalf of the council and a specific resolution authorising the signing and containing the names of the councillors nominated to be passed.

Resolved: Councillors Almond and Peet were nominated to sign the lease.

Resolved: the signing of the lease was approved.

83.17 Croston United Charity

Following an appeal for a volunteer trustee in the June newsletter, Borough Councillor Doreen Dickinson volunteered.

Resolved: Borough Councillor Dickinson was appointed as a parish council nominee trustee.

84.17 Recreation Ground Improvement Project

Works are ongoing, with the safety surfacing due to be laid shortly. The contractor had advised they hope to complete the project by the start of the school holiday.

As the next Council meeting is not until September, Councillors discussed payment of the supplier's invoice should it fall due between meetings. In the event of the invoice falling due prior to the September meeting, Councillors will be contacted by the Clerk for approval of the payment.

85.17 Reports from Outside Bodies (for information only)

Croston in Bloom - judging for North West in Bloom will be carried out next week and the date for Britain in Bloom judging is 4 August. Residents have responded very positively with floral displays outside their properties.

86.17 Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday 13 September 2017.

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