

CROSTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Meeting held on 14 March 2018 at 7.30 pm in The Old School, Croston.

Present Councillors A Peet (Chairman), K Almond, M Cowley, P Fenemore, K Iddon, S Laverick and K Ward.

Also present 1 Member of the public.

22.18 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllr B Paillusson.

23.18 Disclosure of Personal/Prejudicial Interests

None declared.

24.18 Minutes of the Meeting held on the 14 February 2018

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

Resolved: Standing Orders were suspended.

25.18 Public Participation

A resident reported having seen buses passing his property which were either empty or carrying very few passengers and questioned the viability and need for the service. The meeting was advised a large amount of effort had gone into to retain the service, which was well used on other parts of the route.

A resident had mentioned issues on the Recreation Ground including drainage, surfacing issues, lighting, seats, parts of old equipment remaining and litter bins. The meeting was advised the second stage of the improvement project was being planned and applications for funding submitted, which should address the issues.

Resolved: Standing Orders were restored.

26.18 Planning Matters

18/00138/FUL Variation of conditions 1 and 7 (Approved Plans) of application 17/00255/FUL at Yarrow Place, 32 Grape Lane

18/00233/OHL Instalment of a new 11000 volt overhead electric line at Finney Lane Farm, Finney Lane

There were no objections to the above applications.

27.18 Financial Matters

i) Councillors considered the monthly financial monitoring statement.

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

ii) a grant application from the Croft Field Volunteers towards the costs of maintenance and improvement of The Croft Field was considered.

Resolved: a grant of £350 was awarded.

iii) a grant application from Bowland Pennine Mountain Rescue Team towards the costs of IT and communications equipment.

Resolved: a grant of £100 was awarded.

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

£ 450.67	Employee 1	Salary
£ 456.24	Employee 2	Salary
£ 50.40	HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE
£ 144.77	Employee 2	Reimbursements
£ 18.50	Croston Old School	Room hire
£ 1000.00	Croston Sports Club	Grant
£ 410.00	Printwise	Newsletter printing
£ 60.00	L Ball	Newsletter delivery
£ 10.68	E.ON	Christmas lights electricity

28.18 Risk Assessment

Councillors completed the annual review in accordance with the publication 'Governance and Accountability for Smaller Authorities in England'. The existing procedures and controls were found to be adequate.

Resolved: the adequacy of the existing controls was noted.

29.18 Listing of Fishery Bridge and Mill Bridge

Councillors discussed a suggestion to submit applications for listing following a small amount of information on the bridges being obtained which is to be passed on to the Clerk.

Resolved: listing of both bridges is to be pursued.

30.18 Chorley Liaison meeting

No suggestions were put forward

31.18 Reports from Outside Bodies (for information only)

No reports.

32.18 Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday 11 April 2018.

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