CROSTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Annual Meeting held on 11 May 2016 at 7.30 pm in The Old School, Croston.

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

E Norris.

Also present Borough Councillor Dalton and 3 Members of the public.

51.16 Election of Chairman for 2016 - 2017

Resolved: Cllr Peet was elected as Chairman for the forthcoming year.

52.16 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillors M Cowley and K Iddon.

53.16 Disclosure of Personal/Prejudicial Interests

None declared.

54.16 Election of Vice Chairman for 2016 - 2017

Resolved: Cllr Cowley was elected as Vice Chairman for the forthcoming year.

55.16 Appointment of Lead Member (Planning)

Resolved: Cllr Cowley was appointed Lead Member - Planning.

56.16 Appointment of Representatives to Outside Bodies for 2016 - 2017

Resolved: the following be appointed:

Chorley Three Tier Liaison Forum - Cllr Peet.

Chorley Council Western Parishes Neighbourhood Area Meeting - Cllr Peet

Lancashire Association of Local Councils Chorley Area Committee - there were no volunteers.

Tree Warden - Cllr Almond.

57.16 Minutes of the Meeting held on the 9 March 2016

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

Resolved: Standing Orders were suspended.

58.16 Public Participation

The Chairman of the Village Festivities Group provided information regarding a grant application.

A hole, thought to be a collapsed drain, has appeared by the river wall on Town Road. This has been reported and Lancashire County Council is attending to it.

Resolved: Standing Orders were restored.

59.16 Planning Matters

The following applications were considered:

16/00284/FULHH Erection of single story rear extension at 28 Town Road

16/00342/FULHH Extension to kitchen at 53 Town Road

16/00363/FUL Installation of electronic communications apparatus comprising a 20m high CU Phosco pole supporting 6 no. antenna, 2 no. dishes together with associated ground based equipment cabinets and ancillary development at Croston Sports Club, Westhead Road

16/00370/FULHH Erection of single storey side and rear extensions at 51 Grape Lane

16/00378/FULHH Demolition of existing garage and erection of 2 storey gable extension at 88 Westhead Road

16/00400/FULHH Installation of a clear glazed gable end window at 5 Melrose Gardens

Councillors made no comments relating to these applications.

60.16 Financial Matters

Councillors considered the monthly financial monitoring statement.

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

A request from Croston Village Festivities Group for a contribution towards the costs of the Christmas Lights Switch On event was considered.

Resolved: a grant of £200 was awarded.

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

442.22	Employee 1	Salary
430.25	Employee 2	Salary
66.40	HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE
14.40	Croston Old School	Room hire
60.00	J Lawson	Internal audit fee
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61.16 Annual Return for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

Councillors considered the Internal Auditor's report. The report was noted.

62.16 Community Infrastructure Levy

An amount of £4775 has been received in respect of the development of the land between 71-81 Station Road. Information regarding the use of the levy was provided.

63.16. Croston in Bloom

The judging date for North West in Bloom has been set for 6 July. Cllr Fenemore volunteered to provide drawings for an application to Lancashire County Council for permission build a small wall around the bed on the verge opposite the War Memorial.

64.16 Reports from Outside Bodies (for information only)

No reports.

65.16 Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday 8 June 2016.

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