

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE POULTON WITH FEARNHEAD
PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE FEARNHEAD CROSS CENTRE, INSALL
ROAD, PADGATE ON MONDAY, 15 OCTOBER 2018**

Present: Cllr Gosney (Chair)

Cllrs Booth, Cooksey, Emery, D Friend, G Friend, Froggatt, E Purnell, R Purnell, Rydzkowski, Wright

C62 – Police Reports

PCSO's Powell and Bloomfield reported on the problems in Poulton North and Poulton South, in particular the issues relating to anti-social behaviour, particularly on Bennett Recreation Ground. Contact had been made with the Borough Council relating to a request for consideration to be given to turning off the lights within the subway leading to Sutton Trust, for a trial period. This was in an attempt to make the location less appealing to youths who were gathering there and other access routes to Bennett Recreation Ground and Station Road area. The Borough Council had declined the request.

Resolved that:

An item be included on the agenda for the next meeting relating to the subways leading to Bennett Recreation Ground.

C63 -Padgate Library – Support for Longbarn Residents Association

The Clerk reported that a meeting had taken place with representatives from the Longbarn Residents' Association and LiveWire relating to the fee to be paid for the use of Padgate Library by the Longbarn Residents Association.

Resolved that:

The Parish Council agree to pay the sum of £1200 per year to support the office for the Longbarn Residents Association.

C63 – Friends of Padgate Library

Mr Howard Cockcroft, Chair of the Business Case Working Group for Padgate Library, attended the meeting and reported upon the need for a Business Case to be prepared for the continued operation of Padgate Library. It was noted that since the Friends of Padgate Library had been set up and activities taking place, usage had gone up by 11% over the last quarter. A further meeting was to take place with LiveWire shortly and it was agreed that the

outcome of that meeting would be forwarded to the Parish Council for ongoing submission to Members. A possible request for financial support could be submitted during November.

C64 – Borough Councillors' Reports

Cllr D Friend reported upon the following:

1. Crossing to Chemists, etc established on Station Road
2. Station Road car park resurfacing
3. Respite inspection good

C65 – Minutes

Resolved that:

The Minutes of the meeting held on 11 September 2018 be taken as read and signed as a correct record.

C66 – Matters Arising

a. C54(a) – Fearnhead Cross Centre

It was noted that following representation to the Leader of the Council and the Chief Executive, the sign relating to the Community Office had been reinstated.

b. C54 – Fearnhead Cross Centre Christmas Tree

The Clerk reported on a quotation for an electrical supply outside the Centre to enable the Christmas Tree to be illuminated. The estimate was in the sum of £1369. The Clerk also reported that both the Fearnhead Cross Management Committee and the Blackbrook Residents Association had agreed to provide the money for the provision of lights on the tree at the sum of £580 plus VAT.

Resolved that:

The quotation from the Borough Council be agreed and the offer from the Blackbrook Residents Association and the Fearnhead Cross Management Committee for the supply of lights be welcomed.

c. C55 – Friends of Woolston Park

The Parish Council noted a letter of thanks for the recent donation

C67 – Audit of Accounts

The Parish Council noted that the Audit of Accounts had now been completed by the External Auditor and the only issue related to the breakdown of information relating to the Precept and the Council Tax Support Grant.

C68 – Request for financial assistance – Christmas activities

Resolved that:

The following donations be agreed in the sum of £50:

- a. Fearnhead Management Group
- b. Padgate Youth Club
- c. Cinnamon Brow Residents Association
- d. Bitz and Bobz Craft Group
- e. Fearnhead Shutters Group
- f. Fearnhead Coffee Shop
- g. Fearnhead Line Dancers Group
- h. Fearnhead Community Association
- i. Padgate Activities Group
- j. Longbarn Residents Association
- k. Friends of Longbarn Group
- l. Blackbrook Community Association

It was also agreed that a donation of £100 would be given to Chester University Academy to cover the cost of the Community Christmas Lunch and that a further donation be made to Blackbrook Community Association in the sum of £100 for help with the Grotto costs.

C69 – Britain in Bloom nominations

It was reported that two local groups had been successful with their Britain in Bloom applications. Both groups had been nominated and invited to Southport to receive their certificates. The cost was £44 for two candidates.

Resolved that:

The Parish Council agree a donation of £88.

C70 – Friends of Longbarn Park – Insurance

It was noted that the Friends of Longbarn Park worked tirelessly on a voluntary basis to improve the environmental appearance of the Longbarn estate. It was getting exceedingly difficult to attract pots of funding for group activities. It was noted that the Group's Public Liability Insurance was due to end at the end of October and that there was insufficient money in their reserves to fund the insurance.

Resolved that:

The Parish Council agree a grant of £223.56.

C71 – Remembrance Sunday

It was noted that the service would take place at 12 noon at the Cenotaph on Bennett Recreation Ground on 11 November.

C72 – Oakwood Avenue – Christ Church Schools

It was noted that both the schools wanted to carry out an annual walk to the Cenotaph as a tribute to Harry Kenwright, and others fallen from both World Wars, on Friday, 9 November.

Resolved that:
The Parish Council welcome the initiative.

C73 – Padgate Walking Day 2019

Resolved that:
The request from Simcock's Fair to hold the annual fair on Bennett Recreation Ground be approved.

C74 – Budget 2019/2020 – Proposed Special items of expenditure

None were reported

C75 – Highways

Resolved that:
The following be brought to the attention of the Borough Council

- a. Defective street lighting
 1. Light outside 33 Gables Close
 2. Light outside 60 Cinnamon Lane

- b. Highway Matters
 1. Two blocked grids in Gairloch Close as you enter from Enfield Park Road on right hand side – whole road floods

C76 – Public Footpath No 10 – Proposed felling of two trees

It was noted that the Borough Council intended to fell the two lime trees along the Footpath No 10 from Christ Church boundary and the Padgate Rose Restaurant.

Resolved that:
The Parish Council support the proposed removal of the trees.

C77 – Flooding

The Parish Council noted details from the Borough Council relating to recent highway flooding issues for which jobs have been raised to undertake the work.

C78 – Nook Lane – Cycling Scheme

It was reported that the Borough Council had been contacted and were looking at a proposal to create a new path between Nook Lane subway and College Place roundabout.

Resolved that:

The Parish Council have no comment to make on the Scheme but would welcome the Parish Council carrying out consultation with local groups. The Borough Council would also be asked to detail how far consultation has taken place with people in the area.

C79 – Planning Applications

The Parish Council noted the current Planning Applications being considered by the Local Planning Authority.

C80 – Planning Application 2017/31357 – 82 Station Road North

The Parish Council noted that the Borough Council had been made aware of an alleged breach of the planning consent.

C81 – Accounts

Resolved that:

The following accounts be agreed

Employee no 1	Salary	1309.70
Employee no 1	Mileage	18.27
Employee no 2	Salary	1255.45
Employee no 3	Salary	456.84
Employee no 3	Mileage, stamps, phone	45.64
Employee no 5	Secretarial	72.10
K Carter	Cleaning	62.64
H M Revenue & Customs	Tax and NI	782.76
Cheshire West & Chester	Superannuation	852.86
LiveWire	Rental - Padgate Library	93.43
Service Care Solutions	Litter Warden – 3 weeks	889.38
Machine Mart	Oil, funnel	40.78
T E Hughes & Son Ltd	Cleaner, paper, cubes	62.35
Warrington Borough Council	Caretaking duties	
240.00		
Warrington Borough Council	Van hire – 12 months	2282.78
Fearnhead Ed Project	Printing	45.76

PKF Littlejohn LLP	Audit fee 2017/18	
480.00		
British Telecom	Sports facility	77.59
British Telecom	Garage	112.68
British Telecom	Alarm	107.07
UK Fuels	Fuel account	309.66

C82 – January Meeting

Resolved that:
The date of the January meeting be moved from 21 January 2019 to 15 January 2019.