

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE POULTON WITH FEARNHEAD
PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE FEARNHEAD CROSS CENTRE,
INSALL ROAD, PADGATE, ON MONDAY, 18 FEBRUARY 2019**

Present: Cllr Emery (Deputy Chair)

Cllrs Cooksey, Creaghan, D Friend, G Friend, Rydzkowski, Taylor, Wright

C131 – Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Booth, Froggatt, Gosney, Kerr Brown, Maher, E Purnell, R Purnell

C132 – Police Reports

The Parish Council noted the report from PCSO Bloomfield relating to anti-social behaviour in the area and particular problems which had been experienced at Padgate Library.

C133 – Cllr Taylor

The members welcomed back Cllr Taylor to the meeting following a recent illness.

C134 – Food Pantry

The Parish Council received a presentation from Borough Councillor Maureen McLaughlin, Mr Chris Skinkis, Warrington Borough Council and Mr Adrian Jellicoe, Clarion Housing, relating to the possibility of opening a Food Pantry in the area. It was reported that this would be a long-term project and there were different types of models throughout the country. It would consist of a membership scheme where people would be able to obtain food on a weekly basis. At the present time no premises had been identified and this was a feasibility study to establish whether the scheme would and could be set up in the area. The scheme would be run by a charity or volunteer group and not by the Housing Association, although funding would be provided via the Housing Association. It was noted that a site visit would be made to a Food Pantry in Salford on 22 February.

Resolved that:

The thanks of the Parish Council be conveyed for the presentation.

**C135 – Planning Application No 2019/34222 – 15-21 Orchard Street
Proposed Redevelopment to provide 3 pairs of semi-detached
dwellings**

The Parish Council considered the current planning application and also received representations from local residents.

Resolved that:

The Clerk write to the Director of Environment and Transport and indicate that the Parish Council's view is that there are benefits in developing the site, as there would be a planning gain, but also expressed concerns over the details of the application. The main area of concern is the passageway, the problems of which have been expressed to the Council relating to anti-social behaviour. The other issues relate to the problems that houses will directly overlook bungalows and also the problem of parking which is a current issue.

The Committee be asked to visit the site prior to hearing the concerns of residents.

(Cllr Friend declared an interest in the above item and took no part in the discussion and vacated the meeting)

C136 – Borough Councillors' Reports

Cllr D Friend reported upon

1. Library problems – Arrests
2. Men's Day 27 February 2019 in the Fearnhead Cross Centre

C137 – Minutes

Resolved that:

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 15 January 2019 be taken as read and signed as a correct record.

C138 – Matters Arising

a. C127 (2) Community Initiative Fund

The Parish Council received a letter from Professor Steven Broomhead, Chief Executive, Warrington Borough Council, which acknowledged that Parish Councils should have been formally informed to expect groups to approach them. All Parish Councils would now be informed in advance of the new financial year clarifying the criteria for the Community Initiative Fund indicating that the Panel would recommend that the group make their application known to the Parish Council. Securing matched funding from the Parish Council was not a pre-requisite to a successful application. It was also noted that as part of the funding workshop, other sources of local, regional and national

funding would be clearly identified as support offered to enable groups to make applications.

C139 – Cheshire Police – Relocation

It was noted that Cheshire Police were proposing to relocate Risley Police Base to the nearby Birchwood Fire Station. It was noted that there would be no change in regard to the basing of East Warrington PCSO's and would continue to book on and off duty there, undertake engagement visible policing and problem-solving in their respective wards.

(Cllr Emery reported an interest in the following item of business, took no part in the discussion and vacated the meeting)

(Cllr G Friend in the Chair)

C140 – Fearnhead Management Committee – Request for Funding

The Parish Council received a letter from the Chairperson of the Fearnhead Management Committee asking for further funding to continue the post of Community Development Manager within their organisation. Details of the success of the Manager in generating grants with a total of £47,519 were reported together with other projects and new initiatives which had been undertaken in the past 12 months.

Resolved that:

The Parish Council agree a grant of £10,000 to the Fearnhead Cross Management Group.

(Cllr Emery in the Chair)

C141 – Highway Matters

Resolved that:

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

Defective street lighting – lights on Insall Road

C142 – Planning Application

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

C143 – Bruche Park

Cllr Creaghan reported that the Friends of Bruche Park, which had been recently set up, were carrying out funding initiatives to provide further seating in Bruche Park. They had indicated that they would like to add

additional seating and would be presenting a request to the Parish Council in the near future for funding.

Resolved that:

The Parish Council note the initial information and await a formal application.

C144 – Accounts

Resolved that:

The following accounts be approved:

Employee no 1	Salary	1309.70
Employee no 1	Mileage	31.84
Employee no 2	Salary	1255.65
Employee no 3	Salary	456.64
Employee no 3	Mileage, stamps	63.57
Employee no 5	Secretarial	101.80
K Carter	Cleaning	93.96
H M Revenue & Customs	Tax and NI	790.36
Cheshire West & Chester	Superannuation	852.86
Service Care Solutions	Litter Warden – 4 weeks	1185.84
Warrington Borough Council	Christmas tree lights	300.00
Warrington Borough Council	Printing	28.80
Warrington Borough Council	Caretaking	120.00
Warrington Borough Council	Equipment – Litter Warden	385.32
T E Hughes & Son Ltd	Safety wear, discs	184.67
LiveWire CIC	Donation – L R A	100.00
Fearnhead Ed. Project	Printing	27.04
Rent a Lift Ltd	Lift hire	282.00
D G F Ltd	2 Floodlights	252.00
Trade Glass Supplies Ltd	Security glass	48.00
UK Fuels	Fuel account	46.53

C145 – Exclusion of the Public (including the press)

Resolved that:

Members of the public (including the press) be excluded from the meeting by reason of the confidential nature of the following item of business being within Category 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (Rule 10 of the Access to Information Procedure Rules) and the public interest of the information is outweighed by the need to keep the information confidential.

C146 – Litter Warden

The Clerk reported upon discussions with the Litter Warden who was employed through an Agency and the possibility of him being employed on a permanent part-time basis by the Parish Council. It was suggested that the Litter Warden would work differential hours in the summer and winter which would take advantage of the lighter nights. Pay would be aggregated over the whole year.

Resolved that:

Mr A Beckett be employed by the Parish Council as a part-time Litter Warden on spinal column point 16, pro rata with effect from 1 April 2019.

