

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE POULTON WITH
PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE FEARNHEAD CROSS
CENTRE, INSALL ROAD, PADGATE, WARRINGTON ON
MONDAY, 19 FEBRUARY 2018**

Present: Cllr Gosney (Chair)

Cllrs Bennett, Emery, Friend, Froggatt, Rydzkowski, Taylor, Wright,

(Cllr Emery in the Chair)

C130 – Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Creaghan, Kerr Brown and E Purnell.

C131 – Police Reports

PCSO Bloomfield reported upon issues of anti-social behaviour in Poulton North and South and also at the Fearnhead Cross Centre. There were also incidents of off-road bikes on Bennett Recreation Ground and criminal damage and burglary. The work with the youths who had been identified for the anti-social behaviour in the Fearnhead Cross area was ongoing with partner agencies and the High School.

(Cllr Gosney in the Chair)

C132 – Neighbourhood Boards

Mrs Ruth Whitworth attended the meeting and gave details of the work being carried out by the East Area Neighbourhood Team. Mrs Whitworth also reported upon the details of the funding arrangements and agreed to supply further details to the Parish Council.

Resolved that:

The thanks of the Parish Council be conveyed to Mrs Whitworth for her presentation.

C133 – Borough Councillors’ Reports

Cllrs Friend and Wright reported upon the following:

1. Problems with parking in Harpers Road/Crab Lane/Fearnhead Lane
2. Work on College Place roundabout going ahead
3. Bruche School – parking problems

C134 – Minutes

Resolved that:

The Minutes of the meeting held on 15 January 2018 be taken as read and signed as a correct record.

C135 – Matters Arising

a. C117 – Planning Application 2017/31357 -82 Station Road North

The Parish Council received an email from Warrington Borough Council Planning Department in response to the questions which were raised at the last meeting. It was noted that the Council’s current notification procedure required them to notify any adjoining house/business, which shared a common boundary with the Planning Application site. Details of the particular properties notified were given. They also reported that their delegated powers required planning applications to be referred to Committee where an application was objected to by a Local Councillor. They indicated that no comments had been made either by the Local Councillors or the Parish Council. With regard to houses in multiple occupation planning permission was not usually required, provided that the house was occupied by no more than 6 persons who shared at least one basic amenity. It was reported that Cllr Bennett had submitted an objection to the application and following a search of the Planning website the copy of the objection was established. Under the circumstances the Planning Department should have referred the application to Committee under the terms of their delegated powers. The Clerk also reported comments from Mr A Ainsworth of 84 Station Road North, relating to Cllr Bennett.

Resolved that:

1. The Clerk write to Mr C Walker, Development Manager, Development Control, Warrington Borough Council and point out the omissions with regard to the above application and that the objection from Cllr Bennett was on their website. Under the circumstances, the Parish Council expects an unequivocal apology to Cllr Bennett for the omissions by the Planning Department and also a letter of explanation to the residents/objectors to the planning application completely exonerating Cllr Bennett.
 2. The Clerk write to Mr A Ainsworth of 84 Station Road North and point out the omissions by the Local Planning Department and that the objections by Cllr Bennett should have been reported and the application considered by the Planning Committee. The Parish Council considers that Cllr Bennett has been unfairly vilified and expects the residents to withdraw any complaints against Cllr Bennett and forward an apology to her.
- b. C122 (a) –Website**
The Clerk reported that following a meeting with Microedge details of policies etc and also notification of Members was referred to them. Other information would be submitted in due course.
- c. C124 – Church Field**
The Parish Council gave further consideration to the draft Heads and Terms for the licence for the Church Field.

Resolved that:

The Borough Council be notified that the Parish Council no longer requires the Church Field site and give notification of termination of licence. The Clerk also be asked to write to the Borough Council and point out that the land in question is used by dog-walkers and that the Parish Council is willing, on a Sessional basis, to carry out the maintenance of the grass, at a cost.

C136 – Friends of Padgate Churchyard – Request for Donation

The Parish Council considered a request for a donation from the Friends of Padgate Churchyard who had received a grant from the Borough Council's Community Initiatives Fund.

Resolved that:

The Clerk write to the Secretary and ask whether a contribution has been received or is expected to be received from the Church/Diocese for this work and if so how much. Also ask about other grant applications which may have been submitted. Once this information is received the matter will be reconsidered by the Parish Council.

C137 – PCSO Funding Arrangements

The Parish Council received a letter from the Acting Chief Constable of Cheshire indicating that changes have been made to the funding arrangements for PCSO's whereby one PSCO would be allocated to each Borough Ward and that no contribution was required from the Parish Council.

C138 – Bennett Recreation Ground –Footpath No 32

The Parish Council received details of a proposed draft agreement for the diversion of Footpath No 32.

Resolved that:

Consideration be deferred to enable the Clerk to obtain information about any costs of funding falling upon the Parish Council.

C139 – Highway Matters

No matters were reported

C140 – Planning Applications

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

C141 – Application 2016/28492 – Land at Peel Hall

The Parish Council noted that the Inquiry into the above application would take place on Monday, 23 April at the Jubilee Suite, Orford Jubilee Neighbourhood Hub.

C142 – Local Planned Preferred Development Option

The Parish Council received a notification from the Borough Council that around 4,000 responses had been received to the Local Planned Preferred Development Option and that a draft Local Plan was programmed to be published in Autumn/Winter 2018. Further details would be circulated.

C143 – Litter Warden

The Clerk reported that the 3 months trial for the Litter Warden would expire at the end of February.

Resolved that:

The period be continued until the next meeting to enable the Clerk to prepare a report on possible options for the continuation of the Scheme.

C144 –Date of Next Meeting

Resolved that:

The next meeting be held on Tuesday, 20 March 2018.

C145 – Accounts

Resolved that:

The following accounts be agreed:

Fearnhead Comm Art Group	Donation – duplicate cheque	50.00
Employee no 1	Salary	1257.50
Employee no 1	Mileage	22.96
Employee no 2	Salary	1193.20
Employee no 3	Salary	447.84
Employee no 3	Mileage, stamps, parking	63.07
Employee no 5	Secretarial	68.40
K Carter	Cleaning	90.00
H M Revenue & Customs	Tax and NI	745.27
Cheshire West & Chester	Superannuation	801.66
Screwfix	Paint, brushes, trowel	97.60

Toolstation	Batteries, rollers	103.31
Warrington Borough Council	Christmas tree lights	300.00
A O'Hanlon	WiFi payment	77.99
A O'Hanlon	Printer ink	19.98
Service Care Solutions	Litter Warden - wages 5 weeks	1479.60
DG Office Supplies	Paper	17.94
UK Fuels	Fuel account	47.75