

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF POULTON WITH FEARNHEAD PARISH
COUNCIL HELD IN THE FEARNHEAD CROSS CENTRE, INSALL ROAD, PADGATE
ON MONDAY, 17 OCTOBER 2022.**

Present Cllr Emery (Chair)

Cllrs Cooksey, Corry, D Friend, G Friend, Green, Hannan, Kerr Brown, Klein, Laffey, Warnock-Smith

C43 – Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Mansley, Creaghan and Rydzkowski.

C44 – Police Reports

PCSO Potter attended the meeting and submitted reports for Poulton North and Poulton South. He reported that the speed indication device, which had been purchased jointly by the Parish Council and the Police and Crime Commissioner had disappeared from Harpers Road. Warrington Borough Council had been contacted but were not aware of what had happened to it.

Resolved that:

The Clerk write to the Borough Council and ask them to carry out a search to establish whether the SID is on their premises.

C45 – Borough Councillors' Reports

Cllrs G Friend, D Friend, Kerr Brown and Emery reported upon the following:

1. Perth Close – white lines completed.
2. Food Bank extremely busy.
3. Arran Close – state of buildings
4. Blackbrook Residents Association – trying to get a meeting at the Fearnhead Cross Centre. However, problems as the Borough Council had refused the application.
5. Library event – well organised.
6. Greenwood Community Centre – play area which was unfit for use and had been left as open space has been cleaned up and was well utilised.

7. Outreach work – a Lottery Bid had been submitted for Youth for Christ and a bid to the Police and Crime Commissioner for a similar scheme. The PCSO had agreed to support the application.
8. “Tree of trees” It was noted that a cutting had been taken and the Friends of Longbarn Park had been successful in their application.
9. Cassia School - it was noted that, at the present time, Longbarn Residents’ Association paid rental, in concert with the Parish Council, for Padgate Library. Cassia had agreed to let the Residents’ Association have a room for free and they were suggesting a project for free school meals. It was noted that an application for funding would be submitted to the next meeting.
10. Vulcan/Valiant Closes - appearance improved
11. Montrose Close - Apple trees, the Parish Council’s Litter Warden had cleared the area as they were a problem for local residents.

C46 – Longbarn, Fearnhead and Cinnamon Brow Ward – Vacancy

Resolved that:

Mr H Klein be co-opted onto the vacancy on the Longbarn, Fearnhead and Cinnamon Brow Ward. It was also agreed that Cllr Klein would fill the vacancy on the Executive Committee

C47 – Questions from Members of the Public

Mr D Jones asked questions relating to the dates of meeting and also referred to vandalism at Cinnamon Brow Farm Estate. It was agreed that Cllr G Friend would contact the Borough Council to establish what could be done.

C48 – Minutes

Resolved that:

The Minutes of the meeting held on 18 July 2022 be taken as read and signed as a correct record.

C49 – Matters Arising

- a. **C33(b) – Padgate Campus Development Proposals**
No further information was available.

b. **Bennett Recreation Ground – Fun Day**

It was reported that the Fun Day had been a great success and that the sum of £1,507.91 had been collected which would go towards the Food Bank.

c. **C36 – Public Footpath – Update**

The Clerk reported that a site visit had taken place with the Borough Council's Rights of Way Officer and the various problems on the footpath had been identified and would be submitted to the Borough Council for action.

C50 – Bennett Recreation Ground – Container

The Clerk reported that the container which was owned by Woolston Rovers, had now been removed.

Resolved that:

The Parish Council explore the possibility of a further container being placed in situ on the Recreation Ground which could be used solely for the equipment for the Fun Day.

C51 – Executive Committee

Resolved that:

The Minutes of the Executive Committee held on 25 July 2022 be taken as read and signed as a correct record.

C52 – Matters Arising

a. **C34 – Bennett Recreation Ground – Garages – asbestos**

The Clerk reported that a quotation had been received in the sum of £475 + VAT to establish the extent of asbestos in the garages. The Clerk in consultation with the Chair had authorised the work to be carried out.

b. **EC9 – Kennedy Hall**

The Parish Council received a response from the Trustees of Kennedy Hall seeking a meeting with the Parish Council.

Resolved that:

1. A meeting be arranged with the Trustees and the Parish Council's Executive Committee.
2. The Trustees be reminded of their obligations under Section 4 of the Control of Asbestos Regulations and the requirement to have a report relating to the non-domestic building.

C53 – Requests for Financial Assistance

Resolved that:

The following requests for financial assistance be agreed:

1. Scouts – Warrington East – Attendance of Alice Barker at the 25th World Scout Jamboree in South Korea next year - £200.
2. Longbarn Residents Association – Poppy Appeal
Resolved that:
A donation of £100 be given to the Longbarn Residents Association in connection with the poppies erected on lampposts on Harpers Road.

C54 – Audit of Accounts 2021/22

The Parish Council noted the audit of accounts for 2021/22 and the comments of the Auditor.

C59 – Remembrance Sunday

It was noted that the Service of Remembrance will take place at the Cenotaph on Bennett Recreation Ground on Sunday 13 November 2022 at 12 noon. It was agreed that the Clerk would arrange for the Service Sheets to be printed and distributed.

C60 – Highway Matters

Resolved that:

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

1. Footpath from Padgate Lane to the railway bridge – inaccessible

2. Lights on subway from Station Road Post Office to Bennett Recreation Ground – need repairing or an alternative supply provided.

C61 – Christmas Tree

It was noted that the Christmas Tree would be installed on Saturday, 19 November 2022 at the junction of Manchester Road and Old Manchester Road.

C62 – Planning Applications

None were reported.

C63 – Fearnhead Cross Centre – replacement bin

The Clerk reported that no response had been received to the Parish Council's request to replace the bin at the Fearnhead Cross Centre.

Resolved that:

The Clerk write to the Borough Council and ask for an urgent response and the replacement of the bin.

C64 – Grounds Staffing Matters

Resolved that:

The Clerk provide Job Descriptions for the Grounds Staff for a meeting of the Executive Committee.

C65 – Accounts

Resolved that:

The following accounts be agreed:

AUGUST

Mrs D Friend	Insurance- Walking Day	128.80
ALDI	Foodbank Account	79.07
ALDI	Foodbank Account	13.00
ALDI	Foodbank Account	40.00
ALDI	Foodbank Account	106.08

ALDI	Foodbank Account	31.00
ALDI	Foodbank Account	13.00
Warrington B C	Printing	26.40
ALDI	Foodbank Account	13.00
ALDI	Foodbank Account	107.12
Water Plus	Supply	60.57
T E Hughes & Son Ltd	Charger, batteries, lock	176.17
ALDI	Foodbank Account	88.07
O2	Broadband	41.96
U K Fuels	Fuel Account	114.39
ALDI	Foodbank Account	13.00
ALDI	Foodbank Account	31.00
Employee no 1	Salary	577.60
Employee no 1	Mileage	19.31
Employee no 3	Salary	486.94
Employee no 3	Mileage	24.01
Employee no 5	Secretarial	80.10
Employee no 6	Salary	1385.93
Employee no 7	Salary	1364.93
Employee no 7	Mileage	3.13
K Carter	Cleaning	163.29
H M Revenue & Customs	Tax and NI	1146.76
Cheshire West & Chester	Superannuation	1215.46

SEPTEMBER

ALDI	Foodbank Account	84.93
J Mercer Group	Boiler inspection	396.00
ALDI	Foodbank Account	31.00
ROC Fire & Security	Fire extinguishers	264.00
ALDI	Foodbank Account	24.50
ALDI	Foodbank Account	181.65
ALDI	Foodbank Account	9.75
ALDI	Foodbank Account	31.00
Trailer Centre	Gas bottles	180.00
ALDI	Foodbank Account	31.00
ALDI	Foodbank Account	94.45
Manflex	Fittings	43.20
Office Bridge Group	Folders	17.70

T E Hughes & Son Ltd	Tabards, stakes, ropes	799.66
Water Plus	Supply	60.95
Fearnhead Cross Man Cee	Donation – 2 nd tranche	6200.00
UK Fuels	Fuel Account	212.46
Fun Day	Float	250.00
ALDI	Foodbank Account	114.83
ALDI	Foodbank Account	31.00
O2	Broadband	41.96
ALDI	Foodbank Account	31.45
Screwfix	Regulator, screwdriver	81.78
ALDI	Foodbank Account	31.00
Fun Day	Float	250.00
Employee no 1	Salary	742.16
Employee no 1	Mileage	52.20
Employee no 3	Salary	486.94
Employee no 3	Mileage, stamps, parking	45.76
Employee no 5	Secretarial	80.10
Employee no 6	Salary	1539.00
Employee no 7	Salary	1533.54
Employee no 7	Mileage	3.13
K Carter	Cleaning	200.10
J Carter	Caretaking	50.00
H M Revenue & Customs	Tax and NI	1451.94
Cheshire West & Chester	Superannuation	1215.46

OCTOBER

British Telecom	Alarm	67.07
ALDI	Foodbank Account	31.00
ALDI	Foodbank Account	91.27
ALDI	Foodbank account	13.80
Fun Day	Float	250.00
ALDI	Foodbank Account	31.80
Nisbets	Valve	43.18
PKF Littlejohn	Audit fee 2021/22	480.00
Warrington B C	Posters	24.00
UK Fuels	Fuel Account	259.00
ALDI	Foodbank Account	31.80
ALDI	Foodbank Account	129.17
ALDI	Foodbank Account	5.52

ALDI	Foodbank Account	26.28
British Telecom	Sports Facility	84.44
T E Hughes & Son Ltd	Towels, rags, blocks	156.45
Water Plus	Supply	60.95
O2	Broadband	41.96
ALDI	Foodbank Account	1.44
ALDI	Foodbank account	31.80
ALDI	Foodbank account	75.17
ALDI	Foodbank Account	13.80
Employee no 1	Salary	577.60
Employee no 1	Mileage	6.26
Employee no 3	Salary	486.94
Employee no 3	Mileage, phone, stamps	51.56
Employee no 5	Secretarial	80.10
Employee no 6	Salary	1399.81
Employee no 7	Salary	1379.01
K Carter	Cleaning	200.20
J Carter	Caretaking	75.00
H M Revenue & Customs	Tax and NI	1166.76
Cheshire West & Chester	Superannuation	1215.46