LATHOM PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 20th MAY 2019 AT

THE SCOUT HQ HALL LANE LATHOM AT 7.30PM

PRESENT: PARISH COUNCILLORS; E POPE (IN THE CHAIR)

MRS J BAKER

IFAIRCLOUGH

MRS H SHAW

A WEBSTER

MRS I M O’DONNELL (CLERK)

(RESIDENTS) P FERGUSON, A HINDE DANIEL EZZATVAR -8.40PM

The chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1. The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 29TH April 19 were taken as read and signed as a correct record.

2. ADJOURNMENT FOR 5 MINUTES TO CONSIDER MATTERS RAISED BY THE PUBLIC

Mr Hinde reported he had spoken to Tony Morris with regard to rules regarding Septic Tanks as Mr Morris had been visited by workmen claiming that there were new rules with regard to brick tanks which discharge into a water course. A discussion took place and it was agreed this sounds like a scam to sell the modern Septic Tanks and that the borough council need to be made aware of these people are in the area.

The other item discussed was the possible provision of a footpath near Tawd Vale Camp using CIL money. There are a number of events at the scout camp were discussed such as Duke of Edinburgh Awards and The Princes’ Trust and it was agreed we invite the new manager from Tawd Vale to a parish meeting. **IMOD**

As the Parish Annual Assembly had taken place immediately prior to this meeting any

other matters from the public had been dealt with during the assembly

3. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN FOR THE YEAR 2019-20

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs J Baker and seconded by Councillor Fairclough that Councillor Pope be elected chairman for the year 2019-2020 and it was resolved that Councillor Pope be elected chairman. Councillor Pope then signed the Declaration of Office as Chairman.

4. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN FOR THE YEAR 2019-20

It was proposed by Councillor Pope and seconded by Councillor Webster that Councillor Mrs Baker be elected vice chairman for the year 2019-20 and it was resolved that Councillor Mrs Baker be elected vice chairman.

Mrs Baker then signed the Declaration of Office of Vice chairman

5. APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE WEST LANCASHIRE BRANCH OF LAPTC/LALC - Councillors I Fairclough and Mrs Baker were appointed to the area committee

6. APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE TO PETER LATHOM CHARITY

Mrs Peggs will continue to be the council’s representative.

7. MATTERS ARISING

The clerk produced the audit forms for the Annual Accounts which had been approved at the April meeting to be signed so they could be made available to the public and sent to the internal auditor before the necessary completed paper work was sent to the external auditors. The forms were signed by the chairman and clerk.

Tracking Log

The orders in place regarding blocked gullies and potholes on Lowry Hill Lane, Hall Lane and Briars Lane still need to be resolved although work had been carried out in these locations. WLBC had looked at planning permission for the Stanley Industrial Estate to check on conditions regarding the use of Spa Lane by HGV’s but there was only conditions attached to the construction traffic. Query by S Olroyd of Spa Lane regarding parking area was to be checked by R Beirne Enforcement Officer**. IMOD**

8. COUNCIL VACANCY

Daniel Ezzatvar was co-opted onto the parish council and read out and signed the Declaration of Office. There are still 2 vacancies on the council.

9. WAR HORSE MEMORIAL UPDATE

The chairman reported on the meeting of the committee held at 6pm tonight. The invitations were to go out to 60 guests for the reception. There would be tea/coffee and biscuits available for members of the public who attended in the main hall of the scout HQ. All arrangements were in hand and would be finalised at the next meeting on 24th June 19 at 6.30pm prior to the parish council meeting.

Mr Peter Ferguson left the meeting at this point 8.05pm

10. REPORT ON WLBC MINUTES

Councillor Pope reported that the new Mayor was Gaynor Owen and the Deputy Mayor was Terry Aldridge. The membership of the council had changed following the elections as a number of seats had been won by OWL. The planning committee is now 10 Labour, 7 Conservatives and 1 OWL (Our West Lancashire). Local Plan Group 5 Labour 3 Conservatives.

11. CORRESPONDENCE

1. CPRE – Invitation to Neighbourhood Planning meeting 22nd May 19 F
2. Westminster Briefing
3. S Olroyd – More information on Spa Lane
4. NALC – Star council awards
5. WLBC – Mayoral engagements
6. WLBC – Agendas
7. Chapel Gallery cinema F
8. NALC – CEO Bulletin
9. LCC – Changes to opening hours recycling centres F
10. WLBC – Insurance deal for tenants
11. CPRE – Campaign for climate change
12. Chapel Gallery – Super brain exhibition F
13. NALC- Co-operative Councils Innovation Network Workshop 28/10/19
14. WLBC – Planning committee minutes
15. WLBC – Appeal regarding vandalism Coronation Park Skelmersdale
16. WLBC – Delegated decisions
17. Indy Cinema
18. WL CVS – Health network update
19. WLBC – Weekly planning List
20. Carnegie Trust Newsletter
21. Police – neighbourhood watch newsletter
22. WLBC – Mayoral engagements
23. CPRE – AGM Reminder
24. LALC – Dementia week - LCC – 20-26 May 19
25. Came & Co – Council matters spring 2019
26. WLBC – Medieval Festival 11-12th May 19 F
27. WLBC – Reminder to pay for Brown Bins
28. NALC – CEO Bulletin
29. R Webster – query regarding planning application
30. WLBC – Suzanne Hill – road closure
31. WLBC – Jill Ryan – ref; civic chain
32. Chapel Gallery events F
33. WLBC Design Awards F
34. Westminster Briefing
35. LALC - Conference details
36. CPRE – Campaign
37. WLBC – Dog Festival Beacon Park F
38. WLBC – Mayoral engagements
39. LCC – Parking permits changes F
40. WLBC – Planning agenda
41. WLBC – I Bond Design Awards F
42. NALC – CEO Bulletin
43. OPSTA – A Fantom Update
44. WLBC – K Westby – Concurrent Grant papers for clerk
45. NALC – Exhibition
46. Chapel Gallery cinema F

12. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

The following accounts were passed for payment.

1. Mrs I M O’Donnell (clerk salary/exes) £267.85

2. Ormskirk District Scouts (hall hire) £20.00

13. PARISH MATTERS

Councillor Webster informed everyone that the Open Farm Sunday was 9th June 19 and Taylors Farm would be taking part.

Councillor Mrs Baker spoke about the work that had been carried out in the parish thanks to Councillor Pope talking to LCC – the gullies had been cleared and the Street Sweeper had been round. Councillor Fairclough spoke about the problems still outstanding on the tracking log which must be monitored by the clerk**. IMOD**

14. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

There were no applications for Lathom so Councillor Pope spoke on the time line for sending in comments. The clerk sends all applications to the councillors as soon as the planning list comes out and notes the date for comments to be submitted but councillors don’t respond until the next meeting which could be after the required date so when the clerk tried to submit comments some applications had already been decided. Councillor Pope asked that Planning be placed on June agenda so these issues could be discussed.

The date of the next meeting Monday 24TH June 2019

The meeting closed at 9.00pm

Signed………………………………………………………..Chairman