## LATHOM PARISH COUNCIL

# MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 26<sup>Th</sup> MARCH 2018 AT SCOUT HQ HALL LANE LATHOM AT 7.30PM PRESENT: PARISH COUNCILLORS; MRS J PEGGS (IN THE CHAIR) MRS J BAKER I FAIRCLOUGH MRS M GORST MRS H SHAW A WEBSTER MRS I M O'DONNELL (CLERK) MR A HINDE (RESIDENT) MR A MORRIS (RESIDENT)

### APOLOGIES: PARISH COUNCILLORS; E POPE

The chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting

115. The minutes of the meeting held on Monday  $26^{TH}$  February 18 were taken as read and signed as a correct record.

#### 116. ADJOURNMENT FOR FIVE MINUTES TO CONSIDER MATTERS RAISED BY THE PUBLIC:

Mr Morris spoke about the proposal to adopt Hoscar Station to try and encourage more passengers and raised the issue of parking now that the Tavern had been changed into a residence and the former car park was now a garden. A brief discussion followed regarding this.

Mr Hinde spoke on the flooding issues which were still a problem to residents if the pumping stations were switched off especially in view of the proposed fishing lake on Daisy Lane. Mr Hinde also spoke on the problem of rising ground water. The parish council is monitoring this problem along with other parishes in the area. Mr Hinde also commented on the new fence erected at the Public Open Space area and the clerk confirmed we had received a further grant from the Parish Champion which will enable us to place two seats on the area as well.

### 117. MATTERS ARISING

Tracking log

There had been no more work carried out on the outstanding items on the log despite LCC issuing new reference numbers for them. A discussion followed regarding what could be done to force LCC to act. It was agreed that the clerk send a list of all case numbers to the departments concerned and ask for an update on the jobs. Also the clerk to make a notice of all the outstanding jobs and post on the web page so residents could see our efforts to remedy the problems. Councillor Mrs Peggs asked when we would be getting the litter pickers so we could carry out the spring clean which had been cancelled due to bad weather earlier in the month.

Mrs Peggs also mentioned the old phone box which we had asked to be removed as it was no longer in use and was a disgrace and unsightly. Clerk to act on all above. **IMOD** 

### 118. ELECTIONS

The clerk checked that all councillors had nomination papers for the election and went through the time table for completing them and returning them to WLBC. The number of nominations received would determine whether a parish council election would take place on

 $3^{rd}$  May 2018 at the same time as the borough elections. If there were more than 8 nominations an election would be required. The clerk also announced that there would be charges involved whether there was an election or not. The costs would be in region of £150 uncontested to £1500 contested.

### 119. WEB PAGE UPDATE

The points discussed in item 117 were to be added to the web page. Also Mr Morris commented that although the date of the next meeting was on the web page it didn't give the time or venue. Also put other notes on with more news especially the new fence and the new seats. The clerk to write to Paul Rigby the Parish Champion to thank him for the grant of £500. **IMOD** 

### 120. REPORT ON WLBC MINUTES

As Councillor Pope was absent there was no update.

## 121. CORRESPONDENCE

- 1. WLBC- new homes being built Ormskirk
- 2. WLBC Improvements for Skelmersdale
- 3. WLBC Received grant to make Ormskirk better place to live
- 4. WLBC Mayors engagements
- 5. WLBC Audit agenda
- 6. WLBC Confirm CO-OP bank to remain in Skelmersdale until 2026
- 7. WLBC Election forms notices for printing
- 8. Planning decisions
- 9. WLBC Planning agenda
- 10. Elancity Speed trap signs catalogue L
- 11. Louise Ellison Solar panel notice boards
- 12. LALC Area committee 19<sup>th</sup> April 18
- 13. WLBC Proxy vote applications
- 14. I Yates invoice
- 15. LCC Proposal to raise price for disabled NOW card use from 50p to  $\pm 1$  before 9.30am
- 16. Parish champion funds F
- 17. Planning applications
- 18. Planning decisions
- 19. LALC Data protection information for clerk
- 20. WLBC Information on becoming a councillor
- 21. WLBC Raising commonwealth flag
- 22. E McCarthy Sporting challenge information
- 23. LCC Road closure notice cobbs brow
- 24. Neighbourhood Watch newsletter
- 25. Came & Co newsletter
- 26. WLBC New Brown bins F
- 27. WLBC Finance council tax F
- 28. WLBC New houses on WESTEC site
- 29. WLBC Sustainable organisation review.
- 30. Play catalogues
- 31. LALC Planning workshop
- 32. WLBC Mayoral engagements
- 33. WLBC Light cube light change colour
- 34. WLBC Planning agenda

- 35. LCDS advice on new data protection rules
- 36. WLBC Agenda standards committee
- 37. LALC Spring conference 28/04/18
- 38. Police front desk changes F
- 39. WLBC Tenant evictions
- 40. WLBC new date Tawd Valley clean up
- 41. P Langley 3 Canal Cottages F
- 42. Planning applications 13/03/18
- 43. Planning agenda 22/03/18
- 44. WLBC Helen Hatch re-register for data protection clerk completed
- 45. LCC Bus service changes amended time table from 22<sup>nd</sup> April 18 for bus numbers 300 Southport Liverpool & 310 Liverpool Skelmersdale
- 46. WLBC Strategy for improving quality of residents life
- 47. Police warning of phone call scam

# 122. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

The following accounts were passed for payment

1. Mrs I M O'Donnell (clerk salary/exes)	£252.40
2. Ormskirk Scouts (hall hire)	£20.00
3. Yates Playgrounds Ltd (new fence)	£1740.00
4. HMRC (Clerks PAYE)	£186.60
5. Petty cash top up	£18.40

# 123. PARISH MATTERS

Councillor Pope had called in prior to the meeting with a proposed leaflet on adopting Hoscar Station and he asked that the other councillors approve it and let him have suggestions of areas to deliver it and give him the number of leaflets required. After discussion it was agreed that, Bleak Lane, Carr Lane, Daisy Lane, Deans Lane, Frog Lane, Hoscar Moss Road, Moss Bridge Lane, Meadow Lane, Three Oaks and Ring O'Bells Lane would be leafleted. The clerk to let Councillor Pope know the number of leaflets required **IMOD** 

Councillor Mrs Baker spoke about the parking of contractors vehicles working at Pear Tree Farm that were parking on Lowry Hill Lane footpath forcing people to walk into the road. Councillor Mrs Peggs agreed to speak with the foreman to resolve the matter **JP**.

Councillor Webster announced that Taylors Farm was having their Open Sunday event again and it would be on Sunday 10<sup>TH</sup> June 18 10am-4pm. Clerk to place on web page. Councillor Mrs Shaw spoke about the pavements on Lowry Hill Lane and Briars Lane which were covered in stones and chipping from the road repairs carried out and needed sweeping. Councillor Fairclough spoke about the pot holes all over the parish. The clerk to report all the above. **IMOD** 

Date of the next meeting  $23^{RD}$  April 2018 at 7.30pm following The Parish Annual Assembly at 7pm

The meeting closed at8.35pm

Signed .....Chairman

