LATHOM PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 22nd OCTOBER 2018 AT SCOUT HQ HALL LANE LATHOM AT 7.30PM

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

MRS J BAKER

I FAIRCLOUGH

MRS H SHAW

A WEBSTER

MRS I M O’DONNELL (CLERK)

MR A HINDE (RESIDENT)

APOLOGIES: PARISH COUNCILLORS; A MORRIS

The chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting

53. The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 24TH September 18 were taken as read and signed as a correct record.

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

Mr Hinde spoke about the proposed culvert investigation being carried out by CC John Hodson – did we have any update? The clerk had not heard but it was agreed that she would contact Councillor Hodson about this.  **IMOD**

Mr Hinde also expressed his relief as did other residents that the application for a fishing lake at Daisy Lane had been refused.

Mr Hinde also reported a white land rover with part registration PE64 which has been seen parked in the area on a number of occasions with the driver just sitting in it looking from the window. Councillor Pope said he would try and see this vehicle and question the driver.

55. MATTERS ARISING

Tracking log

The speed signpost uprooted and damaged in an accident on Ring O’Bells Lane has been repaired and replaced. The request to review the traffic and possibly place traffic lights on Runnel Brow Bridge has been carried out by LCC and police and they report there is no evidence that this bridge is dangerous and does not require traffic lights.

Other issues regarding pot holes and blocked gullies on various roads had been partially addressed but there were still issues of overgrown hedges, soil and rubbish under hedges on Lowry Hill/Briars Lane and near the roundabout at the junction with Hall Lane which had not been dealt with. A discussion took place regarding some way to perhaps deal with these problems ourselves by using the Community Pay Back team but the clerk reported they were now charging for their work. It was agreed the clerk chase up the issues with LCC and WLBC on when the outstanding repairs would be carried out and she would also contact the Community Pay Back team regarding their charges.  **IMOD**

56. CLERK CONTRACT/ SALARY

This item to be held over until November meeting

57. REMEMBERANCE SUNDAY

The clerk confirmed she had received the road closure for Hall Lane on Remembrance Sunday and the names of the officers who would control the traffic during wreath laying. Councillors and others wishing to walk should meet at the Scout HQ AT 10am for the walk to the War Memorial for the short wreath laying ceremony at 10.20am followed by the service in the Chapel at 10.50am.

It was also confirmed that Councillor Fairclough would lay a wreath for the parish at Booths on 1Oth November 18 at 11.00 and Councillor Mrs Baker would lay the Parish Council wreath at Burscough on 11th November 18 in the afternoon. Councillor Pope would lay wreaths on behalf of LCC at these two ceremonies.

58. WW1 REMOUNT MEMORIAL

The work to finalise the memorial was ongoing as there had been problems with the supplier which were now solved. The parish council had received in donations from Lathom Park Trust and West Lancs Heritage Association for this project and had paid the pro-forma invoice for the work. It is hoped the memorial will be in place by 11TH November 2018 but no dedication ceremony would take place until June 2019.

59. WEB PAGE UPDATE

The clerk reported she had met with Burscough clerk and has managed to edit the events diary and the councillors on the web page but was still having problems uploading minutes etc. The July and June minutes have been up loaded but are not on the minute pages yet and as the only information received from N Davies was the web address and password she was finding it difficult to get further information from him. Councillor Pope suggested the clerk contact Jacky Denning at WLBC to see if she could help.  **IMOD**

60. LOCAL PLAN

Councillor Pope and the clerk had copies of the proposed local plan and after a discussion took place regarding the plan it was agreed that the clerk ask CC John Hodson to attend our November meeting and also obtain further copies of the plan for the other councillors. If Councillor Hodson agreed to attend Councillor Pope would put out a leaflet to residents so they can attend the meeting. **IMOD/EP**

61. REPORT ON WLBC MINUTES

Councillor Pope reported that the main issues at present were budgets until 2021 and the council would be using reserves to meet targets. The council were also setting up a development company to help carry out forward plans.

62. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Health Network Grants f
2. Newburgh clerk – Banking enquiry – replied
3. British Legion- Civic Service
4. WLBC – Parish clerks liaison meeting
5. Rural Services survey f
6. WLBC – Mayoral engagements
7. NALC Newsletter
8. WLBC – Meeting agendas
9. WLBC – Standards committee minutes
10. Woman in Government
11. WLBC – Abandoned shopping trolley purge
12. WLBC – Road closure order for Remembrance Sunday
13. WLBC – Planning applications F
14. Burscough PC copy letter
15. WLBC – Planning decisions
16. Community Cinema
17. Pauline Bricknell \_ civic reading F to EP
18. Moon Fruit – ref web page
19. Chapel Gallery events F
20. Newburgh PC – Query ref bank closures
21. LCC – Minerals & Waste plan review F
22. United Utilities – WW1 Memorial
23. WLBC – Remembrance Sunday information F
24. LCC – Coarse Lane closure F
25. WLBC – On line help F
26. WLBC – Reminder Ref: pecuniary interests F
27. Yates playgrounds
28. WLBC – Planning applications
29. WLBC – Agendas
30. WLBC – Recycling information F
31. WLBC –Mayoral engagements
32. Third Sector Commissioning conference
33. Chapel Gallery events F
34. WLBC – Free tree scheme F
35. Children in care conference information
36. LALC agenda – meeting 18th October 18
37. WLBC – Planning applications
38. Whitehill – confirming bench delivery F to EP
39. CPRE Newsletter
40. WLBC – Parish clerks meeting update local plan F
41. A Brody Upholland PC – query ref local plan
42. WL CVS – Safe Teens programme information
43. Police – scam alert tax evasion
44. WLBC Cabinet agenda
45. WLBC planning agenda
46. WLBC – Planning decisions F
47. WLBC – Road closure order for Remembrance Sunday
48. S Walsh – ref: Runnel Brow bridge
49. WLBC – Delegated decisions F
50. Burscough PC – copy K Iddon letter
51. Whitehill Direct – Invoice for new seats
52. Plantscape catalogue
53. Police – alert
54. WLBC – Agendas
55. NALC – Newsletter
56. WLBC – Planning agenda
57. Community Cinemas
58. WLBC – Planning decisions F
59. LCC –Bus service changes
60. Chapel Gallery events F
61. NALC – Spring conference information
62. WLBC – Celebrate Prince Charles birthday with Mayor (14/11/18)
63. OPSTA Newsletter
64. Police – officers attached for remembrance Sunday

62. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

The following accounts were passed for payment

1. Mrs I M O’Donnell (clerk salary/exes) £266.58

2. Ormskirk Scouts (hall hire) £20.00

3 Whitehill Direct (new seats) £ 381.60

4. Hardscape Ltd (WW1 MEMORIAL) £3067.20

(Hardscape Ltd above was a proforma invoice so Chairman’s action was taken to pay in advance of the meeting. The council approval was confirmed at the meeting on 22nd October 18).

63. PARISH MATTERS

Councillor Mrs Baker spoke about the gullies on Hall Lane which the clerk had already reported and the signs on Briars Lane were still loose. **IMOD**

Councillor Mrs Shaw spoke on the mud on roads and the ongoing issues discussed in the tracking log. Councillor Webster spoke about overhanging trees on Flax Lane.

Clerk to report  **IMOD**

64. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following comments were sent to WLBC:

2018/0943/LBC – Listed building consent – extension of lock chamber ladder on the tow path side. Replacement of bottom gates – Canal Lock 50m north of Runnel Brow Bridge.

“No objections”

2018/0952/PNP – consideration of details for Prior approval – agricultural storage building-Low Meadows Farm Wanes Blades Road.

“No objections”

Date of the next meeting 26th November 2018 at 7.30pm

DECEMBER MEETING TO BE TUESDAY 18TH DECEMBER 18

The meeting closed at 9.15pm

Signed .................................………………………….......……………………..Chairman