Longton Parish Council

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16th February 2023

NEXT MEETING

Members of the Council are summoned to the **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** to be held on Tuesday the 28th February 2023 at **Longton Library** commencing at 7.30pm.

W V McEnnerney-Whittle – Clerk and RFO

AGENDA

- 1. To receive apologies
- 2. To consider and approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 17th January 2023 (enclosed)
- 3. To receive Declarations of Interest
- 4. To adjourn the meeting for a period of public participation
- 5. To consider the list of the planning applications as set out below:

07/2023/00010/HOH – Single Storey rear extension and electric gates to existing driveway @ 19 Sheephill Lane New Longton PR4 4ZN

07/2023/00025/HPD – Application for prior approval for single storey rear extension @ 80 School Lane Longton PR4 5ZA

07/2023/00067/HOH – First floor infill rear extension and single storey rear extension @ 67 Hall Carr Lane Longton PR4 5JL

07/2023/00073/PIP - Permission in Principle for the erection of up to two dwellings @ 120 Marsh Lane Longton PR4 5YL

07/2023/00078/FUL – Change of use from residential to mixed use of residential and private swimming lessons @ Willow View Gill Lane Longton PR4 4SS

07/2023/00084/HOH – Two storey rear extension, single storey rear extension and first floor extension to rear @ 9 Balmoral Road New Longton PR4 4JJ

07/2023/00091/HOH – Retrospective application for installation of four windows within side dormer @ 162A Liverpool Road Longton PR4 5ZE

07/2023/00085/HOH - Single storey rear extension @ 253 Chapel Lane Longton PR4 4AD

07/2022/01014/FUL – Demolition of existing rear extension and erection of new detached dwelling to rear with new access from Lanedale @ 116 Liverpool Road Longton PR4 5AU

07/2023/00070/FUL – Hybrid planning application for redevelopment of Lancashire Constabulary HQ sites at Lindle Lane and Saunders Lane comprising:

- a) Full planning application phases 1-3 being Saunders Lane (1-2) and Lindle Lane (3)
- b) Outline planning application relating to Phases 4-7 for Saunders Lane site

6. To approve the following payments:

19/12/2022	WVMCW - REIMBURSE XMAS COMPS	42	85.60
19/12/2022	HMRC	43	1414.62
19/12/2022	NLVH ROOM HIRE	44	80.00
19/12/2022	LCC ROOM HIRE LIBRARY	45	14.00
19/12/2022	WV MCWHITTLE SALARY EXPENSES	46	2006.83
19/12/2022	PRESTON BUS SUBSIDY	47	20857.50
31/12/2022	BANK CHARGES	48	20.70
12/01/2023	NEWGATE NURSERIES LENGTHSMAN MATERIALS	49	23.10
12/01/2023	P HEISE LENGTHSMAN	50	972.80
25/01/2023	GOOCH CHAIRMAN'S ALLOWANCE	51	40.00
25/01/2023	BRITISH LEGION DONATION POPPY DAY	52	100.00
25/02/2023	WOODSTOCK SIGNS PLAQUE RE QUEENS JUBILEE	53	
25/01/2023	PRINTING WORLD NEWSLETTER		35.00
		54	564.00
25/01/2023	P HEISE LENGTHSMAN	55	486.40

- 7. To appoint Sandra Wiseman as the internal auditor for 2022/23 at a fee of £125.00 and approve the Terms of Reference and Internal Control / Suggested Testing Methodology the relative documents having already been circulated
- 8. To consider and approve the following documents which have already been circulated
 - The Councils Risk Management Policy Statement 2023
 - The Councils Risk Management Register 2023
 - The Councils Asset Register 2023
 - The Review of the Effectiveness of the Internal Audit and Internal Control 2023
- 9. To confirm that this Council wishes to enter the 2023 Best Kept Village Competition and agree which individual OUTSTANDING entries should be submitted this year (last year outstanding nominations were New Longton Cricket Club, The Black Bull Longton, The Golden Ball Longton and Blundells Hardware Shop Longton
- 10. To approve the enclosed Financial Statement as of 31st December 2022
- 11. To approve that Peter Heise should once again be appointed as the Lengthsman for a period of 4 years from 1st April 2023 working 16 hours per week for 48 weeks at a rate of £16.70 (last year £15.20) with the rate being reviewed annually.
- 12. To note that the next meeting is scheduled for the 4th April 2023.

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Minutes of the **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** held on Tuesday the 17th January 2023 at **NEW LONGTON VILLAGE HALL** commencing at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs Gooch, Fox, Sumner, Welch, Molder, Mather, Garside, Alsop, Riley and Porter
There were two members of the public present

01/23 To receive apologies

Cllrs Turner and Barnes

To consider and approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 6th December 2022 (enclosed)

It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on the 6th December 2022 should be approved and signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record.

03/23 To receive Declarations of Interest

None

04/23 To adjourn the meeting for a period of public participation

The meeting was adjourned

A member of the public mentioned that planning application 07/2022/00996/HOH was in fact in Little Hoole

A resident mentioned that she had come to the meeting seeking permission to undertake litter picking in the Royalty Lane area. She acknowledged that she had now been informed immediately prior to this meeting that this was not something that the Parish Council could agree. The Chairman suggested she speak to SRBC who were responsible for litter picking and might have a scheme which would allow residents to undertake such tasks on their behalf.

The meeting was reconvened

To consider the list of the planning applications as set out below:

07/2023/00003/HOH - Single storey rear extension @ 20 Formby Crescent Longton PR4 5YN

07/2022/00980/FUL - Erection of 2no detached bungalows @ 89 School Lane Longton PR4 5ZA

07/2022/00996/HOH – Erection of detached garage to the rear garden @ Tuson's Farm Gill Lane Longton PR4 5GN

It was resolved that no representation should be made to the above applications noting that 07/2022/00996/HOH was not in this Parish.

To approve the following payments:

10/11/2022	VIKING DIRECT STATIONERY	34	125.76
10/11/2022	JPP MEDIA NEWSLETTER DELIVERY	35	378.00
10/11/2022	NEWGATE NURSERIES PLANTS LENGTHSMAN	36	58.50
10/11/2022	C W BERRY LENGTHSMAN MATERIALS	37	39.06

10/11/2022	P HEISE LENGTHSMAN	38	729.60
28/11/2022	VIKING DIRECT STATIONERY	39	98.06
28/11/2022	P HESIE LENGTHSMAN	40	972.80
28/11/2022	SLCC 1/3RD SUBSCRIPTION	41	97.68

It was resolved that the payments referred to above should be approved

To consider the continued subsidy of bus service 12 which was deferred from the previous meeting in order that more information could be obtained. That information, concerning the subsidy cost of a one hourly service and a response from LCC regarding bus subsidies, having already been sent out to members

Members discussed three options:

- 1. To subside the service to the extent of £202000.00 which would double the Precept for 2023/24 and retain the service levels as at present.
- 2. To subside the service to the extent of £90151.00 which would require a much smaller increase in the Precept but would involve a reduction in service levels to one bus per hour
- 3. To cease to subside the service at all which would significantly reduce the Precept from £116000 to approx £30000.00 for 2023/24 and rely on LCC who had previously subsidised the service to now pick up continuation of a service probably at a reduced service level of perhaps one bus per hour

In considering the above they took into account positive informal feedback from LCC that the service probably met their subsidy criteria levels at a reduced frequency. It was noted that the service had been taken over by this Council from LCC several years ago when bus subsidies across Lancashire had been completely withdrawn but that in more recent years LCC subsidies had been re-introduced on many services across Lancashire with the aid of funding from central government.

A motion was put forward to accept the subsidy of £90151.00 and a reduction in service to one bus per hour -a recorded vote was requested

Members voted as follows:

Those in favour: Cllrs Fox and Sumner (2)

Those against: Cllrs Molder, Mather, Welch, Riley, Alsop, Porter and Garside (7)

The motion fell.

A motion was the put forward to cease to subside the service as outlined in (3) above.

Members voted as follows:

Those in favour:

Cllrs Molder, Mather, Welch, Riley, Alsop, Sumner, Porter and Garside (8)

Those against Cllr Fox (1)

It was resolved to cease to subside the service at all which would significantly reduce the Precept from £116000.00 to approx £30000.00 for 2023/24 and rely on LCC who had previously subsidised the service to now pick up continuation of a service probably at a reduced service level of perhaps one bus per hour.

To consider the enclosed draft budget for 2023/4 and taking into account any expenditure agreed at item 7 above approve the Precept for 2023/24

It was resolved that the draft budget should be amended to remove the budget line referring to the bus subsidy and that the Precept should be set a reduced figure of £30000.00

To consider any response to the Consultation on the Central Lancashire Local Plan Part 1, a link having already been sent out to all members in advance of this meeting.

It was resolved that no representation need be made

To note that the next meeting is scheduled for the 28th February 2023

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	Bank Interest	465.75		100
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900	Trustee Admin Contribution			
	CIL RESTRICTED FUNDS			
500	Advertising	13514.22		
	Pitch fee	680.00		
	Refund Zurich	364.00 62.45		
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	LESS EXPENDITURE			
160	Hire Hall			
	Subscriptions incl Web Site	112.00		
12000	Lengthsman	792.23		
	Insurance	7296.00		
	Clerks salary	514.59		1 1 1
	Mileage	8240.73 299.00		
	Postage Telephone & Stationery	231.99		
100	Donations incl Poppy Day	251.99		
	Audit	515.00		
	Newsletter	1167.00		
	Save our Bus fund	62032.50		
	Bank charges	61.80		
	NL Primary Parking			
5500	Ladybirds Building Demolition		2	
40	Chairmanta Allan		4 100	
	Chairman's Allowance			
200	Competitions Xmas & Garden Vat reclaimable	175.10		
	Training	409.40		
	Ground Maintenance / Repairs	070.00		
	Xmas Trees	372.08		
	National Insurance Employer:	221.18		
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