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24th February 2026

NEXT MEETING

Members of the Council are summoned to the **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** to be held on
Tuesday the 3rd March 2026 at **Longton Library** commencing at 7.30pm.


W V McEnnerney-Whittle – Clerk and RFO

A G E N D A

1. To receive apologies
2. To consider and approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 20th January 2026 (enclosed)
3. To receive Declarations of Interest
4. To adjourn the meeting for a period of public participation

Please note that no decisions can be lawfully made on any matter raised during this time.

5. To consider the following planning applications:

Application 07/2025/00498/FUL – This application is for 140 dwellings on land south of Chapel Lane Longton, originally dealt with minute 64/25 when it was resolved that support should be given to the comments of both LCC Highways in respect of all identified Highway issues and United Utilities in respect of all drainage issues raised.

Amended plans have now been submitted reducing the number of dwellings to 136 as per details enclosed in response to comments regarding highways, drainage, noise etc.

6. To approve the following payments:

14/01/2026	M F RAINFORD LENGTHSMAN	58	126.00
14/01/2026	JP MEDIA NEWSLETTER DELIVERY	59	360.00
14/01/2026	SLLC 1/3RD SUBSCRIPTION	60	126.33
14/01/2026	ADS LTD LIGHTING COSTS LONGTON CARNIVAL COMMITTEE	61	5978.29
31/01/2026	BANK CHARGES	62	6.00

7. To appoint Sandra Wiseman as the internal auditor for 2025/6 at a fee of £140.00 and approve the Terms of Reference and Suggested Testing Methodology the relative documents having already been circulated to members
8. To consider and approve the following documents which have already been circulated to members
 - The Councils Risk Management Policy Statement 2026
 - The Councils Risk Management Register 2026
 - The Councils Asset Register 2026
 - The Review of the Effectiveness of the Internal Audit and Internal Control 2026

9. To consider and approve the Lengthsman's contract for a further period of 12 months for 16 hours per week at an hourly rate of £18.55 per hour representing an increase in the existing rate in line with inflation (CPI) currently 3%
10. To consider the enclosed response received by Little Hoole Parish Council setting out the reason why they have closed the access from Longton Health Centre to the shops and particularly the pharmacy and decide what action may now be appropriate.
11. To consider the Local Government Reorganisation Consultation (see enclosed) – This is a public consultation however provision has been made for Town and Parish Councils to provide a response as an organisation if they so wish. Should this Council wish to do so it will be necessary for the Council to agree their recommendation for one of the proposals and respond to the consultation questions which are shown on the enclosed documentation which also provides links to the proposals themselves and the consultation questionnaire. Members are able to make personal responses irrespective as to whether this Council chooses to do so as a corporate entity.
12. To note that the next meeting is scheduled for the 7th April 2026

Longton Parish Council

Minutes of the PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held on

Tuesday the 20th January 2026 at New Longton Village Hall commencing at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs Garside, Fox, Turner, Sumner, Molder, Mather, Riley, Welch, Porter, Alsop and Gooch

There were two members of the public present

01/26 To receive apologies

None

02/26 To consider and approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 2nd December 2026 (enclosed)

It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on the 2nd December 2025 should be approved and signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record

03/26 To receive Declarations of Interest

None

04/26 To adjourn the meeting for a period of public participation

The meeting was adjourned

A representative from Little Hoole Parish Council (LHPC) spoke expressing concern in respect of the closure of the access path between Longton Health Centre and the local shops including the pharmacy. LHPC had already sent to this Council a detailed letter setting out their objections on the matter which had already been circulated to all members.

The meeting was reconvened.

05/26 To consider the following planning applications:

07/2025/00960/HOH – Demolition of existing rear extension and erection of replacement rear extension @ 18 Station Road New Longton PR4 4ZA

07/2025/10005/TDC – Technical Details Consent application in relation to PIP 07/2023/00966 for erection of one dwelling @ Land to the rear 310 Chapel Lane New Longton PR4 4AB

It was resolved that no representation should be made

06/26 To approve the following payments:

04/11/2025	M RAINFORD LENGTHSMAN	38	1152.00
04/11/2025	REXEL NEW LIGHT FITINGS SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB CIL	39	6480.00
04/11/2025	NEWGATE NURSERIES PLANTING	40	424.62
04/11/2025	SRBC REPACEMENT BUS SHELTER CIL	41	10165.20
04/11/2025	VIKING STATIONERY	42	129.46
04/11/2025	M RAINFORD LENGTHSMAN	43	864.00
04/11/2025	PRINTING WORLD NEWSLETTER	44	569.00
28/11/2025	BROXAP REPLACEMENT LITTER BINS CIL	45	8468.40
28/11/2025	NEW LONGTON VH ROOM HIRE	46	80.00
28/11/2025	POPPY APPEAL DONATION	47	100.00

28/11/2025	G GOOCH CHAIRMANS ALLOWANCE	48	40.00
30/11/2025	BANK CHARGES	49	6.00
15/12/2025	W V WHITTLE XMAS COMP EXPENSES	50	120.00
15/12/2025	LCC ROOM HIRE	51	18.80
15/12/2025	TRUEFORM NEW BUS SHELTER (SRBC) CIL 30% DEPOSIT	52	9904.92
15/12/2025	M RAINFORD LENGTHSMAN	53	720.00
15/12/2025	HMRC 3RD QTR	54	1597.20
15/12/2025	W V WHITTLE SALARY 3RD QTR	55	2090.68
15/12/2026	GREEN SCENERY LTD BENCH INSTALLATIONS CIL	56	3733.32
31/12/2025	BANK CHARGES	57	6.00

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

07/26 To consider and approve the enclosed Financial Statement as of 31st December 2025

It was resolved that the Financial Statement referred to above should be approved

08/26 To consider the attached report from Longton VM Sports and Social Club requesting an increase of net £200.38 to the agreed funding arrangements agreed in May 2025 as explained in the said report.

It was resolved that the requested increase as referred to above should be approved

09/26 To consider the recent information received concerning the closure of the path which runs between Longton Health Centre and the row of shops on Liverpool Road, including the pharmacy and then decide what action, if any, might be appropriate by this Council

It was resolved that Cllr Porter would make an initial contact with the Practice Manager at Longton Health Centre with a view to arranging a meeting between himself and the Clerk with them so as to ascertain the reasons behind the closure of the path which during the debate on this matter appeared to be unclear.

10/26 To note that the next meeting is scheduled for the 3rd March 2026

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Date: 18th February 2026

Our Ref:

Please ask for:

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Dear Sir/Madam

APPLICATION NO: 07/2025/00498/FUL

GRID REF: 348545 - 425895

DEVELOPMENT: Full application for the erection of 140 no. dwellings (Use Class C3), with access, landscaping, and other associated works.

LOCATION: Land South Of Chapel Lane, Longton, Lancashire, ,

In respect of the above application, I am now writing to advise you that the proposal has been amended.

A copy of the application is available to view using our Public Access Website on

<http://publicaccess.southribble.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=SZ19PDOTM7Q00>

I shall be glad if you will let me have the views of your department on the proposal. In order to avoid unreasonable delay in dealing with the application, it is requested that your observations be made within 14 days from the date of this letter. Any representations received after that time might have to be ignored. You can email your response to planning@southribble.gov.uk

My name is Lisa Matthewson and I am the Case Officer who will be dealing with your application and I can be contacted by phone or email lisa.matthewson@southribble.gov.uk. If you need to contact me at any time please quote your application number 07/2025/00498/FUL.

Yours faithfully

THE PLANNING SERVICE

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17th February 2026

Lisa Matthewson
South Ribble Borough Council
Civic Centre
West Paddock
Leyland Lancashire
PR25 1DH

Sent via email: lisa.matthewson@southribble.gov.uk

Dear Lisa,

Land at Chapel Lane, Longton
Planning Application: 07/2025/00498/FUL
Revised Scheme – 136 no. dwellings

Further to recent discussions and technical consultee responses received in respect of Land at Chapel Lane, Longton (Planning Application Reference: 07/2025/00498/FUL), I am pleased to submit a revised scheme on behalf of Story Homes.

As you are aware, various technical responses have been raised on the development proposals in respect of highways, drainage, noise etc. To address the comments raised, a comprehensive set of updated plans and reports have been prepared. The main changes to the scheme are summarised below.

Summary of changes

The following changes have been made to the scheme to address the comments raised:

- **United Utilities:** To address the comments raised by United Utilities, the development now proposes 136 no. dwellings. 4 no. plots have been removed in the northern section of the site, adjacent to the proposed site access, to accommodate a potential foul water storage tank.
- **Affordable Housing:** 35% affordable housing is now proposed on site (48 no. dwellings). In line with the comments provided from the affordable housing officer, the tenure split is 70% affordable rent and 30% shared ownership.

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- **Noise:** Following comments received from the EHO, additional noise modelling has been undertaken to ensure external amenity area standards of 55dB and below are achieved. As a result, 2.4m and 2.6m fences bounding the garden areas at plots 38-40, 41-44 and 51 are now proposed. This is explained in full detail in the updated Noise Impact Assessment (February 2026).
- **Drainage:** To address some technical comments received from the LLFA, a revised Flood Risk & Drainage Assessment has been prepared – with additional modelling undertaken. The proposed drainage layout has also been updated to reflect the revised site layout.
- **Housetypes:** The housetype pack has been amended to reflect Story Homes' latest housing range. To confirm, the revised housetypes do not result in alterations to elevations or external appearance.
- **Biodiversity Net Gain:** As a result of changes to the layout, including the loss of 4 no. plots, an updated Biodiversity Net Gain report has been prepared. This confirms 10% net gain will be delivered as part of the proposals, through a combination of on and off-site provision.

As a result of the proposed changes, the following submitted technical reports and plans have been updated to reflect the revised scheme of 136 no. dwellings:

- Site Layout (Reference: 40040.03.01 Rev V);
- Site Location Plan (Reference: LOC-01 Rev C);
- Affordable Housing Layout (Reference: 40040.03.AH Rev B);
- Boundary Treatments Layout (Reference: 40040.03.02 Rev C);
- Elevation Treatments Layout (Reference: 40040.03.03 Rev B);
- Hard Surfaces Layout (Reference: 40040.03.04 Rev B);
- House Type Plan (Reference: 40040.03.HP Rev B);
- Landscape Proposals (Reference: 5978.01 Rev G);
- Landscape Management Plan (Reference: JW/5978/LMP/REVF/FEB26);
- Belford M4(2) Housetype;
- Branford M4(2) Housetype;
- Charlton Housetype;



- Crawford M4(2) Housetype;
- Fulford M4(2) Housetype;
- Hartford M4(2) Housetype;
- Linford M4(2) Housetype;
- Masterton Housetype;
- Middleton Housetype;
- Rutherford M4(2) Housetype;
- Spencer Housetype;
- Wilson Housetype;
- Noise Impact Assessment (Reference: 51-360-R1-4, February 2026);
- Transport Note (Reference: O86676-CUR-XX-XX-T-TP-00003-PO2);
- Potential Traffic Calming Scheme (Reference: 86676-CUR-XX-00-D-TP-75002-PO6);
- Access Arrangement (Reference: 86676-CUR-XX-00-D-TP-75001-PO8);
- Fire Tender – Ingress (Reference: 86676-CUR-XX-00-D-TP-05002-PO7_SPA);
- Fire Tender – Egress (Reference: 86676-CUR-XX-00-D-TP-05002-PO7_SPA);
- Swept Path Analysis (Reference: 86676-CUR-XX-00-D-TP-05001-PO7);
- Swept Path Analysis (Reference: 86676-CUR-XX-00-D-TP-05002-PO7);
- Arboricultural Impact Assessment (Reference: 82-034-R8, February 2026);
- Updated Statutory Biodiversity Metric Calculation Tool;
- Biodiversity Metric Report (Reference: 82-034-R2-6, February 2026);
- Flood Risk Assessment (Dated February 2026);
- Drainage Management Strategy (Dated February 2026); and
- Energy Report (January 2026).



On a separate note, as part of the Examination into the emerging Central Lancashire Local Plan, no objections were raised to the proposed draft allocation on this site. This further confirms the acceptability of residential development on this site – and we look forward to working with the Council further to advance this planning application to March planning committee for positive determination.

I trust that the revised scheme comprehensively addresses all of the technical comments received and we look forward to receiving confirmation that the re-consultation has commenced.



Phil Robinson
Senior Planning Director



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From: Complaints Team <Complaints.Team@property.nhs.uk>
Sent: Thursday, February 19, 2026, 3:42:35 am
To: Paul Cafferkey <clerk@littlehoole-pc.gov.uk>
Subject: Closure of pedestrian access NHSPS:02803527

Dear Mr Cafferkey,

Case Ref PSC-225245-S1T7

Closure of pedestrian access

Thank you for contacting NHS Property Services (NHSPS) regarding the closure of the informal route between Longton Health Centre and the row of shops on Liverpool Road, including the pharmacy.

I can confirm the informal route previously used by the community – accessed via a removed panel in the health centre's fence – has now been closed. This land is owned by NHS Property Services (NHSPS) and our legal team have confirmed that no documented public right of way exists or has existed at this location and that the route has never been a designated pedestrian path.

The decision to close this informal route was made following a request from the health clinic and is one NHSPS supports due to significant misuse of the private car park. Despite clear signage being displayed stating that the car park was for the use of colleagues and patients of the health centre only and the health centre communicating this change to patients, non-patients continued to use it as parking for the shops. This led to reduced parking availability for patients and colleagues, anti-social behaviour and vehicles being left overnight causing access issues.

A dedicated public right of way remains available adjacent to the Health Centre and behind the library, which we are advised provides safe access to local facilities, including the pharmacy. This is a council-maintained path and any concerns or queries about it should be raised with them.

Kind regards,

Janine

Janine Weller | Complaints Handler

NHS Property Services Ltd
7th Floor, Regent House, Heaton Lane, Stockport, Cheshire SK4 1B

M: 0808 196 2045, option 2 | E: complaints.team@property.nhs.uk

FW: Local Government Reorganisation Consultation

Sent: Mon, 16 Feb, 2026 at 15:56

~~to: clerk@leacottam-pc.gov.uk~~

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Lancashire County Council" <noreply@lancashire.gov.uk>

Sent: Friday, 6 February, 2026 10:34

~~to: clerk@leacottam-pc.gov.uk~~
Subject: Local Government Reorganisation Consultation

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Following our previous communication regarding the upcoming consultation for local government reorganisation, we can now inform you that the consultation is open.

You can access the survey by following this link <https://lancashirelgr.co.uk/say-1>

If your town and parish would like to provide a response as an organisation then there is opportunity for you to select this option when you fill in the form.

As you might want to prepare your responses in advance, we have provided further information and the questions asked for you below.

You can find more information about the proposals under consultation here <https://lancashirelgr.co.uk/proposals>

As well as filling in your personal details, or organisational details for a collective response, you will be asked the following questions for each of the proposals outlined in the link above.

The questions are as follows:

To what extent do you agree or disagree that the proposal suggests councils that are based on sensible geographies and economic areas? (Drop down answers, strongly agree to strongly disagree)

To what extent do you agree or disagree that the proposed councils will be able to deliver the outcomes they describe in the proposal? (Drop down answers, strongly agree to strongly disagree)

To what extent do you agree or disagree that the proposed councils are the right size to be efficient, improve capacity and withstand financial shocks? (Drop down answers, strongly agree to strongly disagree)

To what extent do you agree or disagree that the proposed councils will deliver high quality, sustainable public services? (Drop down answers, strongly agree to strongly disagree)

To what extent do you agree or disagree that the proposal has been informed by local views and will meet local needs? (Drop down answers, strongly agree to strongly disagree)

To what extent do you agree or disagree that establishing the councils in this proposal will support devolution arrangements? (Drop down answers, strongly agree to strongly disagree)

To what extent do you agree or disagree that the proposal enables stronger community engagement and gives the opportunity for neighbourhood empowerment? (Drop down answers, strongly agree to strongly disagree)

If you would like to, please use the free text box to explain the answers you have provided to questions 1-7 referring to the question numbers as part of your answer. You may also use the box to provide any other comments you have on the proposal. (Text box to add further comments)

We hope this supports you in making your organisations, and residents voices heard.

Best Wishes

Town and Parish Council Team

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