

Longton Parish Council

Minutes of the **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** held on
Tuesday the 29th October 2024 at **New Longton Village Hall** which commenced at 7.30pm.

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

There were three members of the public present.

63/24 To receive apologies

None

64/24 To consider and approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 10th September 2024

It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on the 10th September 2024 should be approved and signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record

65/24 To receive Declarations of Interest

None

66/24 To adjourn the meeting for a period of public participation

The meeting was adjourned

A member of the public introduced himself as a Councillor for Much Hoole Parish Council and a volunteer undertaking maintenance works on public rights of way in the area. He was suggesting that he report PROW issues to this Parish Council concerning paths in the Longton/New Longton catchment area so that the lengthsman could undertake remedial works. It was explained that the lengthsman only undertook PROW work for paths in the centre areas of the two villages since the funds provided by LCC only provided for a limited amount of work, that any work had to be in accordance with LCC protocols and procedures and that there was insufficient resource to go beyond this level. He was advised to report any identified issues direct to LCC for action as appropriate. It was suggested that SRBC Councillor Phil Smith might also be advised as appropriate.

It was suggested that the Parish Council might undertake bus shelter replacement from its CIL funds. It was explained that the Parish Council were already in contact with SRBC Officers to ascertain the outcome of the recent SRBC maintenance audit and that once it had been identified what action was being taken by SRBC directly then it would be looking at the remaining shelters to consider whether it was appropriate to offer funding itself.

Mention was made that there was concern with regard to planning application 07/2024/00771/FUL in respect of a perceived increase in vehicle movements on the narrow access roads of Royalty Lane and Royalty Avenue including large transporters, that this would cause increased congestion, be detrimental to road safety and damage the verges.

The meeting was reconvened

67/24 To consider the following planning applications:

07/2024/00729/HOH – Following demolition of existing garage and annex, construction of proposed two storey side extension and extension to existing roof ridge together with rear dormer @ 169 Chapel Lane Longton PR4 5NA

07/2024/00771/FUL – Change of use of existing building from Class E to use Class E and restricted Class B (Car repairing only) @ 6 Royalty Avenue New Longton PR4 4JN

It was resolved that a comment should be made to SRBC planning dept raising the points mentioned during public participation and asking that full consideration should be given to these perceived issues.

68/24 To approve the following payments:

09/08/2024	ICO DATA PROTECTION REGISTRATION	24	35.00
30/08/2024	NEWGATE NURSERIES BEDDING PLANTS	25	200.16
30/08/2024	PKF LITTLEJOHN EXTERNAL AUDIT	26	378.00
30/08/2024	P HEISE LENGTHSMAN	27	1113.60
30/08/2024	BKGC - ENGRAVING AND VOUCHERS	28	214.10
23/09/2024	HMRC 2ND QTR	29	1295.32
23/09/2024	VIKING DIRECT STATIONERY	30	83.98
23/09/2024	P HEISE LENGTHSMAN	31	974.40
23/09/2024	CW BERRY LENGTHSMAN MATERIALS	32	15.79
23/09/2024	W V MCWHITTLE 2ND QTR SALARY	33	1848.49
30/09/2024	SERVICE CHARGE	34	10.96

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

69/24 To approve the enclosed Financial Statement as at the 30th September 2024

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70/24 To note that the next meeting is scheduled for the 3rd December 2024

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