

Longton Parish Council

Minutes of the **ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** held on Tuesday the 2nd June 2020 by way of a Virtual Video Conference meeting which commenced at 8.10pm

Present: Cllrs Gooch, Sumner, Welch, Turner, Riley, Alsop, Fox, Mather, Barnes, Artis, Coulton and Garside

There was one member of the public present.

27/20 To elect a Chairman for the following 12 months who will then sign the 'Acceptance of Office' form as soon as practicable

Cllr Gooch was elected Chairman for the following 12 months

28/20 To elect a Vice Chairman until the next APCM

Cllr Fox was elected Vice Chairman until the next APCM

29/20 To receive apologies and approve the reasons for absence where appropriate

None

30/20 To consider and approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 3rd March 2020 (enclosed)

It was resolved that the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 3rd March 2020 should be signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record.

31/20 To receive Declarations of Interest

None

32/20 To adjourn the meeting for a period of public participation

The meeting was adjourned

The headteacher from All Saints C of E Primary School spoke in support of their application for funding for improved car parking facilities at the school.

The meeting was reconvened

33/20 To consider the list of the planning applications as set out below:

07/2020/00367/VAR – Erection of one 2 bedroomed dwelling (amended scheme to planning approval 07/2019/7464/FUL) @ 310 Chapel Lane New Longton PR4 4AB

07/2020/00402/CLD – Single storey extension to both side elevations and erection of detached garage @ The Sandpipers Marsh Lane Longton PR4 5LA

It was resolved that no representation should be made

34/20 To approve the following payments:

Online	Vision ICT	50% upfront payment new web site	642.00
Online	Whitehill Direct	2 x New Notice Boards	1274.40
Online	P Heise	Lengthsman	455.68
Online	Len Slade	Internal Auditor	110.00

Online	Zurich Insurance	Renewal under LTA	537.43
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It was resolved that the payments mentioned above should be approved

35/20 To receive and approve the enclosed Financial Statement as at 31st March 2020

It was resolved that the Financial Statement mentioned above should be approved

36/20 To consider and approve the Internal Auditors Report for the year ended 31st March 2020 (enclosed)

It was resolved that the Internal Auditors Report mentioned above should be approved

37/20 To approve and authorise the Chairman and RFO to sign Section 1 (Annual Governance Statement) and Section 2 (Accounting Statements) being part of the Annual Audit for the year ending 31st March 2020 (papers enclosed) as soon as practicable.

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38/20 To consider an application for funding from Longton Sports & Social Club (enclosed)

It was resolved that this Council could not agree to the grant request from the Sports and Social Club since it was generally felt that in the light of the current uncertainties with regard to the lockdown resulting from the Coronavirus pandemic it did not feel it appropriate to commit funds for capital expenditure at this time.

39/20 To set the licence fee for New Longton Rovers Junior FC for use of recreation ground behind New Longton Village Hall (last year £300)

It was resolved that the licence fee should be set at £315.00.

40/20 To consider whether this Council should contribute to the creation of a car park at New Longton All Saints C of E Primary School in the interests of road safety as outlined on the enclosed proposal.

It was resolved that this would contribute £13K to the proposed works to create a new car park in order to improve road safety around the school particularly at opening and closing times as outlined in the supporting letter enclosed with the agenda papers.

41/20 To consider the arrangements for the 2020 Best Kept Garden Competition, agree judging dates and appoint the judges as required – last year's arrangements are below.

Each member should provide details of their TWO chosen gardens (if appropriate) by the 19th July 2019 for entry into the final round of judging and that Cllrs Fox and Sumner should undertake the final judging and advise the Clerk of the winner, 2nd and 3rd in each of the two villages of Longton and New Longton by the 5th August 2018.

It was resolved that due to the present lockdown as a result of the coronavirus pandemic that this year's competition should be cancelled.

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