MINUTES OF 1165TH MEETING OF HOGHTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 17TH JANUARY 2022 AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH HALL BLACKBURN OLD ROAD.

PRESENT: - COUNCILLOR T. GREENWOOD (CHAIRMAN) COUNCILLORS Ms Y. HARGREAVES AND B. MATTOCK AND MR. T. HARKNESS (CLERK).

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: DISTRICT COUNCILLOR S. CHAPMAN.

953. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Apologies for absence were submitted from Councillors Ms A. Ball and Ms M.Urry.

954. COUNCILLOR N.PETER - RESIGNATION:

Councillor Peter submitted a letter of resignation from the Parish Council.

The letter was accepted with regret.

The Parish Council placed on record its appreciation of the service of Councillor Peter over the past 13 years.

955. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL/PREJUDICIAL INTEREST:

The Clerk reminded Members of their responsibility to declare any personal interest in respect of matters on the agenda in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 2000, the Council's Constitution and the Members Code of Conduct. No one made a declaration at this stage.

956. MINUTES:

The Minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 8th November 2021 having been previously circulated were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman (Councillor T. Greenwood).

957. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION:

As there were no Members of the Public present the Parish Council continued with the items on the Agenda,

958. POLICE REPORT:

(A). LIAISON:

The police officer responsible for Hoghton submitted his apologies.

There had been a range of consultations issued by the Police and Crime Commissioner since the last meeting regarding various topics. Details had been circulated including his Policing Plan for Lancashire 2022 to 2024.

(B). CONSUMER ALERTS - TRADING STANDARDS:

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The Clerk submitted the latest consumer alerts from the County Council's Trading Standards Officer.

959. LALC REPORT:

Updates from LALC on current issues had been circulated since the last meeting together with various consultation documents plus the e-newsletter.

The Parish Council was reminded of the impending changes to the organisation with effect from the end of January 2022. Details had been circulated.

960. HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS:

(A). QUAKER BROOK LANE/THE STRAITS - TRAFFIC:

County Councillor Cullens had indicated that there was a possibility of Councillor Edwards the County Highways Cabinet Member visiting Hoghton.

This was still to take place.

Since the last meeting a consultation document had been circulated indicating a draft order to impose parking restrictions on various roads in the County one of which was Quaker Brook Lane/The Straits.

The proposal was advertised on site and in the local press on 07 December 2021 and comments were required before 07 January 2022.

A response had been made that parking restrictions would not solve the problem of traffic flows and referred to the proposal to construct a mini roundabout.

County Councillor Cullens would be asked to ensure the proposed visit took place and that the Parish Council attend.

(B). PRIVATE ROAD - FLOODING ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH HALL:

There had been extensive flooding at Chapel Fold as a consequence of water coming from the highway on Private Road.

It was understood that Chapel Fold was unadopted and the County Council was not responsible for any drainage work.

However, following a request from County Councillor Cullens they had agreed to one off repairs to the drains and this had been done.

The Parish Council thanked County Councillor Cullens for his assistance.

(C). FOOTPATH:

The Parish Council was informed that there had been no further developments on the footpath leading from Hey Barn to the housing development in South Ribble.

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County Councillor Cullens would be asked for a progress report.

(D). STATION ROAD:

The County Council had asked Openreach to cut back the hedge and would monitor this to ensure the work was done.

No work had been done.

District Councillor Chapman agreed to take this up with the County Council on behalf of the Parish Council

(E).GIB LANE/CHAPEL LANE:

The County Council had asked their contractors to undertake the work to the footways but no work had yet taken place.

District Councillor Chapman agreed to take this up with the County Council on behalf of the Parish Council

(F). HIGHWAYS WINTER BRIEFINGS:

The latest winter briefings had been circulated.

961. CHORLEY/COUNTY COUNCIL REPORT:

District Councillor Chapman reminded the Parish Council that the Northern Parishes Projects Funding Schemes for 2022 would be considered on 19th January 2022.

There was also a proposal in the Chorley Council's Draft Budget 2022/23 for small grants to improve non council play areas.

962. PLANNING REPORT:

(A) DECISIONS:

The following decisions had been made since the last meeting.

- 1. Erection of a dwelling The Post Office The Straits (App no 21/01052/FUL) Granted.
- 2, Conversion of existing garage to form granny annexe accommodation and associated elevational alterations Hoghton Hall Valley Road (App no 21/00940/FUL) Granted.
- 3.Application for listed consent for the enlargement of former extension to southern elevation (Retrospective) Dover Farm Blackburn Old Road (App no 21/01158/LBC) Granted.
- 4. Enlargement of former extension to southern elevation (Retrospective) Dover Farm Blackburn Old Road (App no 21/01157FULHH). Granted.
- 5. Single Storey side/rear extension Wayside Quaker Brook Lane (App no 21/01325/FULHH). Granted

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- 6.Application for a certificate of lawfulness for a proposed outbuilding (Car Port) Woodland Grange Private Road . (App no 21/01306/CLPUD). Approved.
- 7.Application to discharge conditions 4 (facing and roofing materials) 5 (external joinery) 6 (rainwater goods) and 7 (programme of archaeological work) of planning permission ref: 21/00193/FULHH(Two storey extension to north side elevation) Old Sunday School Chapel Lane (App no 21/01392/DIS). Granted.
- 8. Application for works to a protected tree Chorley BC TPO 10 (Hoghton) 1991 Ash heavy pollard and remove large limb over road Sheringham Quaker Brook Lane (App no 21/01300/TPO) Consent to tree works.
- 9. Erection of single storey side extension and entrance porch to existing village hall and single storey front extension to pavilion Hoghton Village Hall (App no 21/00703/FUL) Granted.
- 10. Erection of a detached outbuilding to accommodate a garden summer house Brookhouse Barn Hoghton Lane. (App no 21/01096/FULHH). Withdrawn.
- 11. Listed Building Consent for conversion of Great Barn (Building 17) and ancillary buildings (Buildings 5 8) including repair and restoration works and instatement of building 5 Great Barn Hoghton Tower Blackburn Old Road. (App no 20/00176/LBC) Granted.
- 12. Conversion of Great Barn (Building 17) to wedding venue (sui generis) and ancillary use of outbuildings (Buildings 1 16) including the flexible use of outbuildings within Class E (E(a) E(b) E(c)(ii) and E(g)(i). Reinstatement of building 5 and temporary siting of portable toilets and catering facilities to rear of Great Barn Hoghton Tower Blackburn Old Road. (App no20/00175/FULMAJ) Granted.

(B). APPLICATION:

The following application has been received since the last meeting of the Parish Council.

1. Application for technical details consent for the demolition of existing buildings and erection of four dwelling houses and associated development pursuant to permission in principle 20/01048/PIP). Wise Marys Farm 263 Hoghton Lane (App no 21/01329/FUL)

Local residents commented on this application and the Parish Council supported these views,

Chorley Council was asked that the comments made be reported to the Planning Committee and the application was not delegated to the officers to decide.

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(C). PLANNING IN PRACTICE EVENT:

This event would be held on Wednesday 2nd March 2022 at Chorley Town Hall.

The Parish Council had been invited to send two representatives to the function.

Details would be circulated when available.

963. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:

The Clerk submitted the following accounts for payment

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1. N. Peter.	Signs and materials Pinfold and materials for flagpole War Memorial	£105.24
2. M. Savage.	Annual Maintenance Contract	£928.00.
3. T. Harkness.	Clerk - Salary and Expenses Quarter ended 31st December 2021.	£874.93
4. HMRC.	Tax	£194.04
5. D. Metcalfe.	Website Security	£71.99
6. Brindle St. Joseph`s RC Church.	Hire of room September and November 2021	£40.00.

964. COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE:

Consultations had been circulated to the Parish Council on various topics.

965. CHRISTMAS TREE:

Despite efforts to site a Christmas Tree on the Pinfold it had not proved possible.

However, it was considered that the proposal should be reviewed earlier in 2022.

It was suggested that living trees should be planted.

Site inspections would be undertaken to assess suitable sites.

966. QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE:

The Parish Council had been approached to see if we would provide a beacon to mark the Jubilee. The de Hoghton Estate would be asked if there was a possibility of siting a beacon at Hoghton Tower.

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Consideration would be given at the next meeting to other events and functions to mark the Jubilee.

967. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Monday 14th March 2022 at 7.30 p.m. in Holy Trinity Church Hall Blackburn Old Road.

There being no further business the Chairman (Councillor T. Greenwood) declared the meeting closed at 8.15 p.m.

SIGNED CHAIRMAN

14TH MARCH 2022