

Adlington Town Council

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 18th July 2022
in Adlington Library, Railway Road, Adlington commencing at 7.15pm

Present:

Councillors: Cllrs B Speers (Town Mayor), N. Buckley (Deputy Mayor), A Robinson, A Rothwell, A Cross, J Lowe, J Molyneaux, K O'Donnell, K Snape P Walkden, P Wilson S Clewlow

In Attendance: C Bailey (Clerk) and seven members of the public

- 1 **Open Forum:** Seven residents who live close to the site of planning application: 22/00483/FULMAJ: Erection of Class E(a) retail store, car parking & servicing areas, landscaping, access & associated works following demolition of existing buildings at Fairport Engineering, Adlington Mill, Market Place, PR7 4EZ attended to ask for an update. Residents were advised to jointly agree a solicitor to act on their behalf, to represent their interests and to seek to resolve the right of way issue on terms acceptable to both residents and Fairport. The Town Council is a third party consultee in terms of the planning process. It has forwarded all the information it has received to Chorley Council as the Local Planning Authority and to Lidl as the applicant. There has been no reply.
- 2 **Apologies for Absence:** None.
- 3 **Minutes of the Meeting** of Monday 27th June 2022 were proposed, seconded and signed by the Town Mayor.
- 3.1 **Matters Arising for information only:**
 - 3.1.1 LCC's Highway's team has acknowledged the receipt of the Town Council concerns about the impact on local highways and transportation arising from the supermarket application. LCC says these will be considered within its response to the Local Planning Authority.
 - 3.1.2 The Chorley Liaison meeting will discuss the Town Council's request for youth engagement resources to be made available in Adlington. Chorley Council has confirmed that Adlington will be a focus for youth engagement/outreach work by CC and LCC staff. The Town Council has been asked to assist by identifying local areas where young people congregate and where outreach support might be delivered.
 - 3.1.3 CC Borough Environment Health Inspector has asked BT to improve the external appearance of the frontage of its premises on Chorley Road given local concern. BT has been given 20 working days to take action.
 - 3.1.4 Jigsaw HA has said it will repair the loose, noisy flags that were reported of concern to a resident on Park Road.
- 4 **Declarations of Interest:** were received from: Cllr Molyneaux for 6.1 and 6.2; Cllr Buckley and Cllr Lowe for 7.2.
5. **Items for Discussion:**
 - 5.1 The recent joint council review meeting had agreed that the Trail programme had been very successful and that all QPJ event and activity organisers would be thanked. Only two issues of concern have been identified, both of which are being addressed.
 - 5.2 Cllr Robinson's concerns about the frequent and often short notice cancellation of some peak, but mainly off-peak stopping trains is continuing to cause disruption and leading to gaps of four hours between trains. This is not considered acceptable. The Town Council will write to all parties to express its concerns using the advice from its informal advisory group.
 - 5.3 The Town Council agreed that a £500 LCC grant was inadequate to cut back overgrown vegetation to maintain access along the Public Right of Ways in the area, that LCC is responsible for the maintenance of user access on public footpaths, and that the Town Council would not apply for the grant. It was agreed to apply for the £300 bio-diversity grant which the Town Council could use to foster its relationships with the two Adlington Primary Schools by supporting their outdoor educational initiatives.
 - 5.4 The content of the summer edition of the Update Newsletter to include highlights of the QPJ Trail activities would be finalised for print and for distribution from early August. Cost quotes for print and distribution were approved.
 - 5.5 Cllr Clewlow's recommendations that no further work be undertaken to Adlington War Memorial were accepted other than the sealing of the two name plaques and the electrical supply for the lighting should be completed.
 - 5.6 It was agreed that LCC would be asked to pay to re-instate the two Adlington boundary signs on Chorley Road.
 - 5.7 The household waste skip event will be jointly funded by Chorley Council and Jigsaw with a skip at the Adlington and District Community Centre carpark and at the Windsor Avenue / Park Road junction on Saturday 24 September from 9am to 12 noon. The Town Council will initiate local litter campaign and arrange a litter pick on that day.
 - 5.8 It was noted that the Town Council's initial fund raising target to buy a badge of office for the Deputy Mayor and a fitted case to protect the mayoral chains has been achieved. A decision on the lapel badge for former Town Mayors' was deferred. If agreed a further appeal to the business community would be required.

- 5.9 The Town Council felt it has enough commitments and would not pursue the national Hedgehog Highway Project.
- 5.10 There were no urgent items of business raised by the Town Mayor.

6 Planning

- 6.1 **22/00570/FUL:** Conversion of existing ancillary residential outbuilding to 1no. dwellinghouse at land 10M north of 46 Church Street, Adlington. This was noted and was agreed to be left for neighbour comments.
- 6.2 The following application was noted but left for neighbours to comment:
22/00640/FUL: Change of use of unadopted highway to garden use for 1,3, 5, 7, and 9 Grafton Street (part retrospective) at 1 Grafton Street, PR7 4JG
22/00112/LBC: Listed Building Consent application for replacement windows to Allanson Hall Farm at Allanson Hall Farm, Westhoughton Road, PR7 4DG

7. Finance

- 7.1 The Town Council approved the corrected statement of accounts and budget review as at 31 May 2022 and the statement of accounts and budget review as at 30 June 2022.
- 7.2 The following payments were approved:

Clerk	Net administration and financial management, July 2022	£546.73
Clerk	Mileage: 20miles @ 0.45ppm in May 2022	£9.00
EE	ATC Clerk's mobile Invoice at 16 July 2021	£10.70
Adlington in Bloom Action Group	Re-imbusement of plants bought by AIB for ATC's planters	£91.00
Reimburse Cllr Nina Buckley	Go Daddy ATC web domain annual renewal £11.99 plus VAT £2.40	£14.39
Nuchoice	Paint bench at Mount Pleasant	£60.00

8 Items for Information only:

- 8.1 LCC amended proposed temporary nightly road closure on Bolton Road, Anderton on 15.07.22 – 29.07.22 to enable repair works to a collapsed retaining wall to be carried out by LCC Bridges.
- 8.2 From July 2022, Northern Trains Ltd will install new Customer Information Screens at Adlington station of the latest type which will provide more information to passengers.

The meeting closed at 8.35 pm