

CROSTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Meeting held 14 January 2009 at 7.30 pm in The Old School, Croston.

Present Cllrs A Peet (Chair), K Almond, J Forrest, J Kearton, S Mosalski, S Thompson.

Also Present Borough Councillor S Moulton

01.09 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Councillors C Gibbons, S Parkinson, B Thompson and Borough Councillor D Dickinson

02.09 Disclosure of Personal/Prejudicial Interests

None declared.

03.09 Minutes of the Meeting held on 10 December 2009

Resolved: the Minutes (as circulated) be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

Resolved: Standing Orders be suspended to allow members of the public to speak.

04.09 Public Participation

i) Police Report

There were two reported burglaries, on a bogus caller entry, but nothing was taken in either case. Several vehicles were damaged by children and there were two assault cases. Contact with local Officers is now to be made via the Coppull Police Station.

ii) Borough Councillors

The planning application for two new dwellings in the rear garden of 79 Station Road was deferred for a site visit by members of the Development Control Committee.

iii) Residents Points of Interest

No points raised.

05.09 Financial Matters

Councillors considered the financial update and bank reconciliation.

Resolved: the financial update be received and accepted and signed by the Chairman.

Resolved: the following payments be approved, the invoices having been inspected in accordance with fidelity guarantee requirements:

£ 322.79	Employee 1	Salary
£ 316.61	Employee 2	Salary
£ 79.20	HM Revenue & Customs	Tax
£ 14.50	Croston Old School	Room hire
£ 200.00	Croston Old School	Grant
£ 37.50	Croston Scout Group	Newsletter delivery
£ 143.00	Minuteman Press	Newsletter printing
£ 193.25	West View Nurseries	Winter planting

06.09 Planning Matters

No matters for consideration.

07.09 Parish Precept 2009 - 2010

Councillors considered the Precept for the forthcoming financial year.

A budget of £3000 is to be provided for a project to improve the Recreation Ground area. Additional funds will be required for the project and the availability of grant funding is to be investigated, together with possible funds from Chorley Council from monies levied on certain planning applications in the village. It may require that funds need to be accumulated in this, and future year's, precepts towards the project.

Resolved: the Precept for 2009 - 2010 be set at £21870.

08.09 Financial Regulations

Councillors considered revisions to the Financial Regulations as recommended by the Working Group.

Resolved: the revisions to the Financial Regulations be approved by the Council.

Resolved: the following amendment to financial limits be approved.

Financial Regulation 3.3 - limit raised to £500.

09.09 Reports from Outside Bodies

No reports.

10.09 Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday 11 February 2009.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed.

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