

Longton Parish Council

MINUTES of the PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held on Tuesday the 7th SEPTEMBER 2010 in LONGTON LIBRARY

Present: Cllrs Gooch, Kershaw, Wignall, Underwood, Cunningham, Crighton, Fox, Holmes & Mcloughlin

12 members of the public were present.

79/10 APOLOGIES

Cllrs Artis and Welch

80/10 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

It was resolved that the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 6th July 2010 as previously circulated should be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record

81/10 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Fox declared a personal and prejudicial interest in planning applications 2010/0403 & 2010/0522 on the basis that she had already made personal objections to the applications. She left the room during the debate and voting on these items.

Cllr Wignall declared a personal and prejudicial interest in planning applications 2010/0403 since she lived in very close proximity to the proposed development. She left the room during the debate and voting on this item.

82/10 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The meeting was adjourned.

The applicant for planning permission reference 2010/0522 made representation in support of the change of use to a restaurant explaining that reports that the premises would be used as a late night drinking bar and/or for other more salubrious activities were completely unfounded. The change of use was intended to allow the creation of a high quality 42 seat restaurant where fine dining would be available in conjunction with alcoholic beverages in the way of fine wines etc. The bar facilities would only be available to restaurant users and not the public at large. The Council was asked to take these comments into account when considering its position on the application later in the meeting.

Members of the public reiterated their concerns with regard to application 2010/0403. It was noted that the Parish Council had already made representation against this proposed development under delegated authority and that in considering the amendments made by the developer it would be referring back to its original representation which had supported resident concerns.

A resident raised an issue relating to the lack of dog bins on Back Lane & Marsh Lane. It was explained that the Parish Council were not the responsible local authority however mention would be made of the concern to SRBC so as to draw their attention to the matter.

The meeting was re-convened

83/10 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

2010/0403 – Amendment to application covering property type, garden size and footpath @ The Fields, Long Moss Lane New Longton as part of 25 dwelling development for which objections have already been made by this Council.

2010/0160 – Retrospective application for decking area @ Rams head 67 Liverpool Rd Longton

2010/0428 – Renewal of outline permission 2007/0755 for a 3 bed detached dormer bungalow @ 72 Marsh Lane Longton

2010/0501 – Substitution of house types on all plots @ Woodcroft 62 Hall Lane Longton

2010/0522 – Change of use of ground floor / part first floor retail and first floor apartment into a restaurant use class A3 @ 1 Park Gate 117 Liverpool Rd Longton

2010/0524 – Retrospective application for non illuminated signage board at corner Manor Court / Liverpool Rd with new sign plate detail @ Manor Court Longton

2010/0526 – Siting of static caravan for residential use @ 195 Chapel Lane Longton

2010/0527 – Single storey side extension @ 15 Hugh Barn Lane New Longton

2010/0541 – Application for a non material amendment to permission 07/2005/0892 to raise the roofline to side extension and installation of patio doors to side @ Breskens 20 Hall Lane Longton

2010/0553 – Erection of 1no detached dwelling with detached garage (amended scheme to permission 07/2007/0750) @ rear of 4 The Close New Longton

2010/0559 – Erection of 2no linked polytunnels (308m2) 6 Royalty Lane New Longton

2010/0565 – Erection of detached garage to rear @ 1 Hugh Barn Lane New Longton

It was resolved that only the following representations should be made:

2010/0403 – That this Council did not feel that the amendments made to the application had in any way addressed the issues raised in its original representation against this development and that it would therefore be reiterating its comments as before objecting to the development in support of resident concerns.

2010/0428 – That this Council felt that although this application was for renewal of a previous permission, planning policies had since changed and renewal would therefore now be contrary to PPS3 and Local Policy H4R on the basis of ‘garden grabbing’

2010/0524 – That whilst this Council did not generally have objections to signage relating to development in its immediate area it did have strong objections to signage being used as advertising of other developments away from the immediate vicinity. The signage applied for under this application is of significant size and in a prominent position within the village, it does not relate to the immediate development and is an eye-sore adversely affecting the amenity of the area and should therefore be declined.

84/10 PAYMENTS

It was resolved that the under mentioned payments should be approved

CHEQUE NUMBER	TO WHOM PAYABLE	PURPOSE	AMOUNT
001067	P Heise	Lengthsman	1193.10
001068	W V McEnnerney-Whittle	Salary & Expenses July	704.23
001069	L Crighton	Delivery of Newsletters	300.00
001070	W V McEnnerney-Whittle	Salary & Expenses August	549.88
001071	CTP	Course fees – Cllr Fox	50.00
001072	Printing World	Website Hosting Fee	23.50
001073	P Heise	Lengthsman	1401.79

85/10 STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS TO 30TH JUNE 2010

Since copies of the Accounts were not available this item was deferred until the next meeting.

86/11 ARMISTICE DAY WREATH

It was resolved to approve the purchase of 2 wreaths and 35 crosses from the Royal British Legion for the forthcoming Armistice Day and make a donation of £100.00 to the Royal British Legion under LGA 1972 s137

87/10 DONATION REQUEST – LVMSPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB

Members had been asked to consider a request from Longton VM Sports and Social Club to contribute £300.00 towards the residual costs of Phase 4 works @ total of £900.00 following approval of the Comic Relief Grant of £5917.00 which have arisen as a result of variances between original estimates and actual costs. The Lancashire Parish Champion had also agreed £300.00 and the Trustee was being asked to also contribute £300.00

It was resolved that a donation of £300 should be made under LGA 1972 s137 as detailed above.

88/10 SRBC RECYCLING POLICY

Members had been asked to consider the recycling policy of SRBC particularly relating to the discarding of recyclable waste to landfill.

It was resolved that enquiries should be made of SRBC as to why only plastic bottles could be placed into the plastic recycling household containers and not other food plastic containers particularly those which are marked as recyclable since this seemed to be contrary to the aims of reducing the amount of waste going to landfill. It was also

resolved that a question should be asked concerning the policy with regard to trade bottles and why these were not being recycled in the same way as household bottles.

89/10 CHRISTMAS TREES 2010

Members had been asked to consider what level of contribution might be appropriate from this Parish Council as a contribution towards the provision of Christmas trees for 2010

It was resolved that this Parish Council is prepared to consider any financial shortfall arising following allocation of grant monies from the Western Parishes Area Committee for the provision of Christmas trees in 2010.

It was further resolved that a suggestion be made that the lights should be time controlled so as not to be on for 24 hours which would then reduce electricity costs and help protect the environment.

Chairman