

**JANUARY 2010**

**CLERKS INTERIM REPORT:**

Since issuing the last Clerks Report and Agenda a number of items have been received which I need to bring to your attention.

**COUNCIL MEMBER TRAINING BY TEAM LANCASHIRE JANUARY – MARCH**

The enclosed schedule shows details of 'free' training which is available to Council Members. If you wish to attend any session please follow the instructions on the schedule to reserve your place.

**THE FUTURE OF LANCASHIRE LOCALS**

Enclosed are documents relating to 'Lancashire Locals' and whether a suggestion by Geoff Driver as explained in his attached letter should be progressed. Opinion is being sought and responses are required by Friday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2010 which is prior to our next meeting. In the circumstances and to provide an opportunity for views to be put forward I will be happy to receive your individual comments and put all of these together in one composite response. Please contact me before the 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2010 if you wish to take up this opportunity to put forward your views.

**CONSULTATION ON POSSIBLE MINERAL AND WASTE SITE ALLOCATIONS**

The above consultation has now been released and comments can be made up to the 19<sup>th</sup> February 2010. The 139 page consultation is a public consultation which can be found at <http://lancashire-consult.limehouse.co.uk/portal> through which comments may also be submitted. Hard copies are available at main libraries and local council offices which include details of how to comment. If any member feels that something has been missed, can find a better way to plan for the area's mineral and waste requirements or improve upon the options set out they are invited to provide details. There are no identified allocations within Longton Parish boundaries. Members may also wish to attend a 'drop-in' session which has been arranged for 25<sup>th</sup> January 2010 between 2.00pm and 7.30pm @ Preston Harris Library.

Although the consultation does not necessarily require a corporate council specific response members may submit a motion for consideration of the Parish Council in line with the guidelines above as contained within the consultation document itself in which case the motion must be submitted to the Clerk no later than the 26<sup>th</sup> January 2010 so as to be in time for inclusion on the next agenda.

**NOTIFICATION OF NATURE CONSERVATION PROJECT**

Papers are enclosed for your information

**MUSIC TAX ON CHARITIES, CHURCH HALLS & YOUTH GROUPS ETC**

Papers are enclosed for your information.

**Please contact me if you have any issues, questions or queries relating to any item detailed in this Interim Report.**

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Clerk & RFO