



COPPULL PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

**MEETING: PARISH COUNCIL
WEDNESDAY 13 DECEMBER 2017 - 7.00 P.M.
SPRINGFIELD PARK LEISURE CENTRE,
SPRINGFIELD ROAD NORTH, COPPULL**

PRESENT: Parish Councillors M. Atherton (Chair), N. Ball (Vice-Chair), P. Cobham, D. Cole, J. Colecliffe, M. Crook, P. Eastham, S. Holgate, E. Jones, S. Makin, M. Parkinson, M. Peel-Impey, P. Taylor - S. Edwards (Clerk)

1. ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Councillors N. Coggins (illness), S. Thomson (another commitment) – Chorley Councillors P. Leadbetter and A. Whittaker

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – DISCLOSURE OF PERSONAL / PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS (Members of the Parish Council are reminded of their responsibility to declare any personal interest in respect of matters contained in this agenda, in accordance with the provision of the Local Government Act 2000) – None.

2.1 DECLARATION OF GIFTS – None.

3. AMENDMENT/APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE EXTRA ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING DATED 21 NOVEMBER 2017
(emailed/distributed to Parish Councillors)

PROPOSED: Councillor S. Makin

SECONDED: Councillor S. Holgate

That the minutes of the above meeting be approved as a correct record.

THE CHAIRMAN PROPOSED THAT STANDING ORDERS BE SUSPENDED TO ALLOW REPRESENTATIVES OF OUTSIDE BODIES AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK

4. POLICE REPORT – None – The local PCSO had been off sick for sometime and there was no-one else available to cover meetings. However, she forwarded a report for the previous month and will issue a report monthly in future.

5. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT – Councillor Julia Berry asked that she be notified if there are any concerns over highways, as she may be able to speed up the response time, which is very poor at the moment, and she is here to help with all highway matters.

- Potholes – County Councillors are to have access to the status of all the roads in their division.



- Speeding – four roads of concern are Wigan Lane, Jolly Tar Lane, Chapel Lane and Spendmore Lane. Clancutt Lane was also mentioned, together with Mill Lane, Regent Street and Clayton Gate.
- Public footpaths and bridleways – been churned up.
- Gullies – need to be emptied regularly. Cllr Berry has asked to see the gully emptying timetable.
- Neighbourhood dispute over land on Wigan Lane. Stiles but no paths off Wigan Lane.
- Junction of Clancutt Lane, Longfield Avenue and Pear Tree Avenue – the road appears to be disintegrating

Councillor Berry is looking into all of the above.

6. BOROUGH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

6.1 Councillor Jane Fitzsimmons reported on the following:

- Clancutt Lane – flooding – Chorley Council responded quickly.
- Byron Crescent – the backs are bad again due to the bad weather. Adactus have said they are definitely going to put a proper surface down. It is not caused by the caravan, as it has not been moved now for six months.
- Hedges on ginnel near the back of Arcon House – Adactus have said they have cut them back, but they have not been done. Cllr Fitzsimmons will check if there has been a misunderstanding and the wrong hedges may have been cut back. The contact details of the resident who reported the problem to be forwarded to Cllr Fitzsimmons.
- The new houses on Shelly Close are now finished. A neighbourhood event was held, which gave Chorley Council and Adactus the chance to consult with residents. There has been some landscaping done on Byron Crescent and this is going to continue on Shelley Close and Dickens Road, together with improvements to residents' garden.
- Conservative Club – a resident is having problems with parking and noise from the Club. Cllr Fitzsimmons to contact the Club to hear their side of the story.

6.2 Councillor Richard Toon stated that he still has funding to be put towards heritage signs for the village, but would need a decision within the next month.

7. PARISH AND COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT – Councillor Steve Holgate reported as follows:



- A letter to be sent to the Police Commissioner to inform that sight lines in Coppull are constantly being compromised and the local police are not taking action.
- Councillors funding was increased from £2,000 to £3,000 last year, but this has now been stopped completely.

8. ITEMS INTRODUCED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC – None.

THE CHAIRMAN REIMPOSED STANDING ORDERS

9. GENERAL MANAGEMENT/FINANCE

- 9.1 Budget/Precept for 2018-19. The proposed budget was briefly discussed, but due to lack of time to discuss fully, it was agreed to hold an informal meeting on Wednesday 3 January 2018 at 7pm, in order to present an agreed budget to the Parish Council for approval at the PC meeting in January.
- 9.2 Former Coppull Youth Centre update. The new tenants have signed the contract and will commence from 1 January 2018.
- 9.3 Christmas bonuses for employees. It was agreed to give bonuses the same as last year.
- 9.4 Borough Council/Parish Clerks Liaison – apologies given as the Clerk was busy with the newsletter which needed to be sent to the Printers that day.
- 9.5 Spice Time Credits (emailed to Parish Councillors). It was agreed to participate in this scheme. The Clerk to complete the necessary paperwork.
- 9.6 Dog Fouling (to be put on every PC agenda until further notice) - stencils(PT) – dog signs (NB). Cllr Taylor is obtaining the stencil. Cllr Ball mentioned about a new dog sign which would be appropriate if more signs are ordered in the future.
- 9.7 Village Grot Spots (to be put on every PC agenda until further notice). None.
- 9.8 No Management & Finance meeting in December 2017.

10. DECISIONS MADE UNDER THE CLERK’S DELEGATED AUTHORITY

(After consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair) – Negotiations with A1 Fitness in regard to hiring the former Youth Centre, as agreed at the last Parish Council meeting (see 9.2 above) – **RATIFIED.**

11. PLANNING (N.Coggins) – Cllr Coggins had sent in a declaration of interest in regard to the application for 60 Clancutt Lane.



11.1 Planning Applications:

- App.No. 17/01091/FUL – Land to rear of 60 Clancutt Lane – Erection of one detached dwelling – **No objections.**
- App.No. 17/01095/FULHH – 12 Oakwood Road – Two storey side extension – It was agreed to send concerns in regard to this application, as it was felt that the garage would not be big enough to take a car and would therefore mean there would only be one parking space. Also, the extension will be overdevelopment of the site as there have been previous extensions, which would mean they are covering close to 50% of the curtilage. A vote was taken and everyone was in agreement, with the exception of Cllr Croke who abstained.
- App.No. 17/01104/AGR – 31 Preston Road – Agricultural determination for the erection of an agricultural building for the storage of agricultural machinery and farm produce – **No objections.**

Cllrs Croke and Taylor offered to stand in for Cllr Coggins when he is unwell or if he needs any assistance in regard to planning.

11.2 Planning Decisions:

- App.No. 17/00972/CLPUD – 28 Mountain Road – Certificate of lawfulness for a proposed single storey rear extension, to include internal alterations – **GRANTED.**
- App.No.17/00742 – 83 Clayton Gate – Demolition of existing bungalow and replacement with new dormer bungalow and temporary siting of a storage container and accommodation cabin for the applicant to use (to be removed upon completion of new dwelling) – **GRANTED.**
- App.No.17/00991/FULHH – 36 Longworth Avenue – Erection of two storey rear extension – **GRANTED.**

12. HIGHWAYS

- 12.1 Parking Enforcement Requests (to be put on every PC agenda until further notice) – None.

13. CORRESPONDENCE / ITEMS FOR DECISION-DISCUSSION

- 13.1 Lancashire County Council – Claim for definitive map modification order, claimed upgrading to bridleway footpaths 54 and 55, from Coppull Moor Lane to Wigan Lane – application rejected by the Council, but an appeal has been made to the Planning Inspectorate. Any evidence in respect of the application to be forwarded by 21 December 2017 – Noted.



13.2 Electoral Review of Chorley Council (emailed to Parish Councillors). Noted.

14. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION / FUTURE DISCUSSION

14.1 BBC Flog It is coming to Blackburn Cathedral on Thursday 25 January between 9.30am and 4pm. Noted.

14.2 General Data Protection Regulation. The Clerk attended a webinar for the new policy which is to be introduced in May 2018. It will impose some costs for the Parish Council, but more information will be issued early in the New Year.

THE CHAIRMAN CLOSED THE MEETING AT 8.25 P.M.

Dates of next meetings:

WEDNESDAY 10.01.18: 7.00 pm PARISH COUNCIL

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Councillor M. Atherton
Coppull Parish Council Chairman

