

Anderton Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 19th November 2024 at 7.30pm at Adlington Community Centre, Railway Road, Adlington

Present: Cllrs, T Blackburn, I Horsfield, P Pilling, N Baglow, N Smith D Hesketh
Parish Clerk: Janet Clarke Withington.

1) The Chair, Cllr Blackburn opened the meeting, welcomed everyone & noted apologies. The chairman reminded members of their responsibility to declare any personal interest in respect of any matters arising from the agenda for the meeting. Cllr Pilling declared a personal interest in item 3a. The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 17th September 2024 were taken as read (all councillors in receipt of copies prior to the meeting), approved & signed by the chairman.

2) Reports

a) Report Chorley Liaison Meeting – 16th October 2024. Cllr Blackburn and Cllr Horsfield attended.

1. Jayne Rear, Cabinet minister for Education and skills, attended regarding the update on high school places within the area. Chorley Schools are all Academies, and specific placements are difficult because LCC has only limited influence. 96% of parents still receive their school of preference. Albany school has agreed an increase in placements for Chorley area. There is no demand for an additional High School in Chorley.

2. Sports and Leisure provision. Future provision to be included in the new Local Plan. Demand in Parish Areas needs to be evidence led.

3. Parishes were reminded to publicise the Warm Spaces initiative.

b) Report of Lancashire Parish and Town Council Conference – 2nd November 2024 – Cllr Blackburn and Cllr Horsfield attended.

1. Update on the County Devolution Deal. This will have no effect on Parish areas.

2. Speaker Matt Townson, Director of Highways & Transport. Highways has limited resources and money. Potholes are examined re certain parameters on size, with the worst being treated first.

3. The director of Digital Strategy and Communication discussed an LCC Portal for all Parishes which will require full communication details to be input by Clerks to a Central Database.

c) Report on Barbara Shaw bench dedication and planter dedication by APC and Adlington in Bloom.- 9th November 2024. This was well attended by members of the public and Barbara's family. The family were very satisfied with the results.

d) Report on AYG Steering Group meeting – 24th September 2024 – Cllr Blackburn attended.

There is no issue with funding, but there is an issue with staffing levels and anti-social behaviour. The numbers are low and ideas are needed for participation. More parents are needed to help.

3) Matters Arising from the minutes:

a) Update on Douglas Bank Farm. The PA refusal has been appealed and it has gone back to the agents for re-submission. To be discussed at next meeting. Cllr Pilling left the room due to having a personal interest.

b) Requested further data for SPID. James Walker has since sent Cllr Blackburn instructions to download the software and view the data.

4) Financial Matters:

Balances:- Current a/c £5341 Deposit a/c £14104

a) Clerks expenses (£152.99) – Approved and Paid

b) Clerks salary and NIC payment. Approved and paid

c) Chairs expenses – spare keys for notice board (8.10) – Approved and paid

d) Andy Cubbins – Garden Maintenance – (£100) - Approved and paid

e) Buffet donation for Barbara Shaw to Adlington in Bloom (30.00) – Approved and paid.

f) CIL report to include new notice board

g) Agreement of Precept requirement - £5900. Proposed by Cllr Hesketh and seconded by Cllr Baglow.

5) Correspondence:

- a) Correspondence from LCC re proposed removal and introduction bus stop clearways on Bolton Road and Chorley Road. Responded to by Cllr Horsfield
- b) E- mail from Christine Bailey re NOW card survey. Cllr Hosfield responded with the suggestion not to scrap the scheme but to modify.
- c) E-mail re LANPAC – Lancashire Partnership against Crime including information leaflet – noted.
- d) E-mails re Joint Local Council meeting – 25th November to discuss LCC planning application 2024/0023. Cllrs, Blackburn, Smith and Pilling to attend.
- e) E-mail from Ruth Rimmington re Chorley Housing Strategy refresh consultation. – Noted.
- f) E-mail re Love to Ride – Winter Wheelers. Poster requested.
- g) Invitation to the lighting of Blackrod Christmas Tree – 26th November 2024.- Cllr Blackburn to attend
- h) E-mail from CBC re removal of advertising signage on New Road.- Noted
- i) E-mail re invitation to Adlington Luncheon Club Christmas Lunch – 11th December – Cllr Pilling to attend.
- j) E-mail regarding spring bulbs ready for collection. – Cllr Blackburn to collect.

6)Planning Applications:

a) 24/00012/REFUSE

Notice of appeal – Application for advertisement consent to gable mounted digital advertising screen. 121 Bolton Road Anderton – Cllr Blackburn responded.

b) 24/00899/FULHH

Part two storey side extension, part single story rear extension. 2 Rothwell Road Anderton - Comments submitted.

c) 24/00948/PIP

Permission in principle application for the erection of 1no dwelling – Land 13m North of Taleford House. Squirrel Lane Anderton – Cllr Blackburn to object.

d) 21/00270/FULMAJ

Application consultation – Amendment to Application. Proposed development of 40 dwellings together with associated new access, open space and landscaping. Babylon Lane. – Further information to be sent

e) 24/00878/FULHH

Single storey side extension – 32 Owsten Court. Anderton – No objection.

7) Matters of Report:

- a) Bob's Brew/St Mary's FC. Cllr Smith reported on the ownership of the land. UU own half and they are to be asked at the next RABLAC meeting to contribute to the grass cutting and consideration to contributing to the ground work. Further information is to be obtained.
- b) Procurement of APC badge of Office – Cllr Horsfield. – Work in Progress.

8) Other Matters:

- a) Clerks & Councils Direct Magazines
- b) War memorial Trust Bulletin
- c) Cllr Blackburn to send electronic Christmas cards to neighbouring councils, MP's etc.
- d) Parish meeting dates for 2025, updated and circulated.

Meeting closed at 9.40pm

Next Meeting – Tuesday 21st January 2025 at 7.30pm