

PARISH OF HEATON-WITH-OXCLIFFE
Draft Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at Grosvenor Park School on
Wednesday 12th September 2018 at 7-00 pm.

Present: Councillor Mrs G Kelly - Chair
Councillor Mr S Edmondson
Councillor Mr I Clift
Councillor Mr W Jackson
Councillor Mr P Melling
Councillor Mr K Percy

1897 APOLOGIES: Apologies were received from Councillor Mrs M Baxter..

1898 MINUTES: It was **RESOLVED** that, subject to a minor amendment, the Minutes of the meeting held on **Wednesday 11th July** be approved.

1899 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS: There were no declarations of interest

1900 ADJOURNMENT FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION AND TO PROVIDE 'INFORMATION ONLY' UPDATES ON ACTIVITIES:

1. **Public Discussion:** No members of the public were present
2. **Clerk's Report & correspondence:** The Clerk had previously distributed a draft Heritage Strategy for the district and that had been produced by Lancaster City Council and which had been the subject of a six-week consultation ending on 10th September. The strategy articulates why the districts archaeology, historic buildings and landscapes are valued; how they can be maximised and identifies why some are vulnerable.

Councillor Percy commented on the quality of the draft document and areas where our local heritage and consideration of future planning applications would benefit from a knowledge of the historic information, in the strategy, and the highlighted vulnerabilities and opportunities. **ACTION:** That the draft Heritage Strategy be noted and that the approved version, after consultation, be referred to when considering heritage matters in future.

The Clerk reported that as previously resolved the wooden noticeboard at White Lund has been removed and the Asset Register updated. There was then a discussion about the three other noticeboards and whether the current fixings for posting documents could be changed to improve their ease of display. **ACTION:** Include an agenda item on the next meeting for a discussion on existing noticeboards and fixings.

3. **Members matters & information only updates:** Councillor Melling updated Members on discussions he has had with residents near the pond area at Grosvenor Park / Roeburn Drive. It was agreed that before any work can be carried, or funding applied for from the Lancashire Environmental Fund, there needs to be an agreed plan of action covering work needed to pump out the culvert and to repair and make improvements to the pond and surrounding area.

Councillor Percy commented that it had been some months since a parish newsletter was last produced, highlighting that residents could be given an update on the completed works on the Grosvenor Park Play Area and the revised parish plan.

ACTION: Councillor Melling to continue to develop plans for the pond area with a view to a submission for funding being made in November. Clerk to produce a Newsletter in November to include plans for a litter pick (Agenda item 1905 refers).

It was then **RESOLVED** that the Clerk's report and matters and information only updates be noted and action taken as necessary.

1901 ALDI STORES: Representatives from Aldi Stores Ltd and their planning consultants presented proposals for the existing Aldi Store on Lancaster Road and a new store on White Lund which had recently been the subject of a Member Engagement Forum attended by Councillor Melling.

Background on the issues with the current store and the retail need from Aldi's point of view were outlined and it was reported that they are proposing to sell this property and land, which may involve a change of use from retail. They then provided details of a proposal to build a new and bigger Aldi Store on White Lund that will supplement the extended store on Marine Drive.

It was acknowledged that the draft Local Plan, currently being considered by the Planning Inspectorate, places a restriction of retail premises on Northgate, White Lund Industrial Estate. Aldi are, however, confident that their proposals and the location of the new store will be acceptable and improve the retail offer in the local area.

Members were advised that there will be opportunities for public consultation on the plans before a planning application is submitted towards the end of the calendar year.

Members asked several questions around the possible change of use of the Lancaster Road Store, the White Lind proposals and its environmental impact. It was then **RESOLVED** that the proposals for Aldi stores located with the parish be noted and that further information be provided on Aldi's environmental policies and clarification on the location plan for the proposed Northgate store.

1902 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Application No	Description
18/00948/REM	Matters application for the erection of an agricultural worker dwelling - Side Farm, Moss Road, Heaton With Oxcliffe, Morecambe, Lancashire LA3 3E
18/00948/AD	Agricultural determination for erection of an extension to existing cattle building - North Farm, Moss Road, Heaton With Oxcliffe, Morecambe, Lancashire LA3 3ES

Member discussed the above planning applications. It was then **RESOLVED** that no representation be made.

1903 PLANNING APPLICATION DECISIONS: Members considered decisions made by Lancaster City Council's Planning Committee in recent weeks. It was noted that application number 18/00390/VCN – erection of a gas generator plant on Mellishaw Lane – that the Parish Council had previously raised concerns on had now been 'withdrawn' by the applicant. It was **RESOLVED** that the decisions of Lancaster City Council's Planning Committee be noted.

1904 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:

Cheque No.	Payee and Payment Description	Amount
100363	Mr R Bailey – Parish Clerk fees and expenses	£875.24
100364	John Fairclough – Lengthsmans duties	£228.00

It was **RESOLVED** that the above account(s) be paid.

1905 IMPROVING OUR ENVIRONMENT: Members considered each of the actions relating to the priority outcome in the approved Parish Plan 2018-2022 to make improvements to our local environment:

Action 1: Reduce litter (and particularly plastic waste) through: cooperation with local businesses and organisations, promotion of campaigns and improved litter collection

- Parish Council, with the assistance of the City Council, to organise a litter pick(s) – Plans be made to carry out a litter pick in November / December focussing on 'hot-spots' on the cycle-path within the parish. Councillors Clift, Edmondson and Kelly to take a lead.

Action 2: Ensure that planning developments and applications are sympathetic to the Parish environment

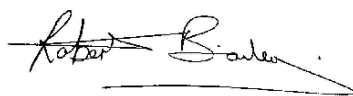
- Draw up short check-list of environmental factors against which each planning application can be consideration. Councillor Percy and the Clerk to develop

Action 3: Review, sustain and improve environment for wildlife in the Parish

- Undertake research to establish what wildlife can be found in the parish and investigate any sources of help that might be available from the City and County Councils, universities and elsewhere. Councillor Percy to initially research

It was then **RESOLVED** that the actions and leads be noted and carried forward with updates to be considered at each meeting.

1906 DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING: The Clerk advised that the next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on **Wednesday 10th October 2018 at 7:00pm**. The meeting closed at 8:30pm.

 Clerk

Signed: _____ Chair