

## HUTTON PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN HUTTON VILLAGE HALL ON 19<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2009

#### PRESENT:

Councillors Parkes, Wilshere, Thackeray, Hesketh & Mitchell

18 members of the public were present including one representative from Villages in Partnership and 3 representatives from United Utilities

#### 72/09 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllr Barton.

#### 73/09 MINUTES

**It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting on the 14<sup>th</sup> September 2009 having been circulated previously be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.**

#### 74/09 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Hesketh declared an interest in all planning applications due to his membership of SRBC planning committee. In accordance with the Monitoring Officers guidance he did not take part in the debate or voting on any planning applications.

#### 75/09 ADJOURNMENT FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION

**The meeting was adjourned for a period of public discussion.**

A representative from Villages in Partnership (01772 603591) gave a short presentation concerning their organisation and particularly the help that was available from them with regard to the Digital Switchover Help Scheme. Leaflets were made available for further information.

Representatives from United Utilities gave a presentation concerning the Ribble Estuary & Coastal Waters Environmental Improvement Scheme which is required under European Legislation. Residents present asked a range of questions and raised concerns with regard to the increased traffic on Hutton roads. It was confirmed that a Traffic Management Scheme had been produced but that this needed further detail to be added. It is expected that 300 additional vehicle movements per month will be generated through Hutton for a period of approx 2 months as a result of the pipe laying works along the Ribble Estuary. This will cause some inconvenience although every attempt will be made to reduce this to a minimum. It was agreed that United Utilities would come back to the January Parish Council Meeting to provide an update on the detail within the Road Traffic Plan and project generally. Information will also be posted on their web site [www.unitedutilities.com/prestonUID](http://www.unitedutilities.com/prestonUID).

Representation was made by members of the public in respect of Item 8 on the agenda supporting the retention of the Area Committee meetings in Hutton and that the creation of a minor accident/emergency hospital in the Western Parishes area was needed the latter being a target of the Parish Plan.

A resident mentioned that some long time ago a resolution was passed at a Parish Meeting suggesting that Precept funds should not be used for Village Hall improvements. Members were advised by the Clerk that whilst Parish Meeting resolutions might be taken into account by the Parish Council they were not binding upon the Council.

Concern was raised with regard to the lack of dropped kerbs along Liverpool Rd which caused inconvenience to disabled residents. This was something targeted as an action in the Parish Plan. The Clerk will write to LCC to enquire as to what might be done.

**The meeting was then re-convened.**

75/09 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

2009/0513 – Retrospective application for sub division of retail unit, formation of access door to front and change of use to hot food takeaway (Class A5) @ 101 Liverpool Rd Hutton PR4 5SN.

2009/0512 – Two storey extension to side and single storey extension to rear @ 23C Lindle Lane Hutton PR4 4AQ

2009/0578 – Two storey extension to side and rear @ 211 Liverpool Rd Hutton PR4 5FE

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

**2009/0513 – This council objects to the application:**

- **Road safety will be prejudiced as a result of increased congestion due to additional traffic particularly HGV's stopping in the vicinity to purchase hot food which is then likely to be eaten in vehicles causing them to remain in the vicinity for a period of time. This area has already been identified as one where on road parking at the junction of Tolsey Drive/Liverpool Rd causes sight difficulties and the local police have encouraged people to park away from this dangerous junction. This application if granted would exacerbate an existing problem.**
- **The early opening hours will be detrimental to local and residential amenity created by disturbing activities, nuisance and noise early in the morning.**
- **The creation of an extractor fan is likely to be detrimental to neighbourhood amenity since it may cause smells.**
- **The original application when granted for alterations recently had provision for off road parking for the owners cars at the rear something which now appears to have been removed and is felt important due to the dangerous corner location as outlined above that this is created and retained**

76/09 PAYMENTS

000937	Viking Direct	Stationery	98.63
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**It was resolved that the above payment should be approved.**

77/09 FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET REVIEW JUNE & SEPTEMBER

**It was resolved that this Council should approve the previously circulated Financial Statement / Budget Review for both June and September 2009.**

78/09 WESTERN PARISHES AREA COMMITTEE

Members had been asked to consider at the request of the Western Parishes Area Committee whether this Council:

- Felt there is a need for a minor accident/day treatment hospital in the Western Parishes area
- Whether the venue for Area Committee meetings should be placed on a circuit basis around the area

**It was resolved that this Council should respond to the Area Committee indicating support for a minor accident/day treatment hospital in the Western Parishes.**

**It was resolved that this Council would much prefer the Area Committee meetings to remain in Hutton at the Village Hall which had provided excellent facilities in a warm comfortable and welcoming environment something which was not available in the past when circuit arrangements were last in place.**

79/09 LCC TOWN & PARISH COUNCIL CONFERENCE 21<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER 2009

**It was resolved that Cllr Parkes would attend the above mentioned event.**

80/09 VILLAGE HALL IMPROVEMENT WORKS

Members had been asked to consider the proposed plans (already circulated) for improvement works around the Village Hall and further consider whether in the light of the shortfall between the 106 monies available and the expected costs whether this Council would be prepared to contribute from its existing funds so as to ensure that all the identified and beneficial works were all carried out.

It was confirmed that £19K was available from the 106 monies but that the proposed works would cost almost £24K giving a shortfall of approx £4K. Various suggestions were made concerning the value and relative cost of some of the proposed works indicating that certain items did not constitute best value or were unnecessary.

**It was resolved that SRBC should be advised that in order to help reduce the deficit this Council did not feel it necessary to purchase 2 new benches but should leave the existing benches in place (apart from the damaged bench which should be replaced with the bench which was held in store awaiting installation) and that it did not feel there was a necessity for wooden bollards around the grass area at the entrance to the car park both of which would produce a saving of £3K in total.**

81/09 NEXT MEETING

**The date of the next meeting was confirmed as the 7<sup>th</sup> December 2009**

**A resolution was then passed under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 to exclude the public and press from the next item on the agenda being the consideration of the filling of the casual vacancy on Hutton Parish Council due to the potential confidential nature of the item to be discussed.**

82/09 CASUAL VACANCY

4 applications had been received for the one casual vacancy on the Parish Council.

**It was resolved that Mr. W G Martin should be co-opted to Hutton Parish Council**

CHAIRMAN