

HUTTON PARISH COUNCIL

HUTTON PARISH COUNCIL CLERK'S REPORT (Information only) MARCH 2009

- As indicated at the last meeting representation has been made at both the local PACT meeting and also Lancashire Locals meeting in support of the request to reduce the speed limit on the A59 to 50mph. At the LL meeting the representations were supported by Cllr Young and a decision made that Rachael Crompton from LCC should take back the concerns of the meeting relating to this matter with a view to including the A59 on the recent road speeds report which has recently been issued.
- At the LL meeting mentioned above it was resolved that the proposal for a pedestrian crossing on Liverpool Rd in the vicinity of the Grammar School should be taken forward for possible inclusion on the 2009/10 pedestrian priority programme. The decision as to whether this project will get the go ahead will depend on its ranking against other proposals put forward by other Lancashire Locals.
- A small amount of funding has been made available for highway repairs and the decision as to what is done has been passed to the Area Committee for this area. Hutton Parish Council will make representation concerning the state of footpaths along Liverpool Rd.
- The issues with regard to Orchard Farm have not yet been resolved. The owner has apparently now employed an agent to complete the planning application and SRBC await re-submission. The Clerk continues to chase SRBC with a view to an early resolution to this long outstanding matter.
- The planning application for a change of use to hot food takeaway @167 Liverpool Rd has been approved by SRBC. There are some conditions which can be viewed on the SRBC web site which include restricted opening times of 08.00 to 23.00 Monday to Friday, 11.00 to 23.00 Saturday and no Sunday opening.
- Notification has been received concerning the final local government salary award for 2008/9. This increases the Clerks salary from the 2.45% award (already applied as part of interim agreement) to a 2.75% award. Since notification came too late for adjustment to this months pay the small backdated increase will be applied in April 2009
- With the agreement of LCC our lengthsman has cut back some overhanging tree branches and rogue saplings in the vicinity of the bus stop on Liverpool Rd near to the junction with Lindle Lane
- The police are monitoring speed in the area and figures recorded by the SPID are being sent to them so that they can consider appropriate action.
- It has been brought to the attention that matches continue to be played on Sunday afternoon on the recreation ground which is outside the agreement with SRBC who are dealing with the matter.
- The Chairman and Clerk reported several pot holes to LCC following their recent parish walk about. LCC have responded saying that they will investigate each reported situation and carry out temporary repairs as required. They have indicated that any permanent repairs will need to be scheduled for the future. Members and residents should continue to report issues direct to LCC either by using the LCC web site report form or by telephoning the LCC report line 01772 530011