**PRESCOT TOWN COUNCIL**

A meeting of the **COUNCIL** for the **TOWN OF PRESCOT** was held on

**THURSDAY, 30TH** **OCTOBER 2014** in the **PRESCOT TOWN HALL,**

**1 WARRINGTON ROAD, PRESCOT** commencing at **7.00 PM.**

**PRESENT**

**COUNCILLOR G FLATLEY (TOWN MAYOR)**

Councillors G. Flatley, D. Friar, M. Friar, D. Allen, L. O’Keeffe, S. O’Keeffe, S. Arnall, R. Arnall, M. Sommerfield, J. McGarry, C. Cashman, D. Rigby, I. Smith

and K. Swales.

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE**

D. Wilson (Town Clerk)

**58. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors J. Molloy, P Loyden. It was acknowledged Cllr S. O’Keeffe had been detained but would be present.

**59. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

A Declaration of Interest was received from Councillors L. O’Keeffe, S. O’Keeffe, S. Arnall (Agenda item 8 – Planning Applications).

**60. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING**

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that the minutes of the last meeting of the Town Council held on 26th September 2014 and the Extra ordinary meeting of the Town Council on 22nd October 2014 be received as a correct record and signed by the Mayor.

**61. MINUTES OF COMMITTEES**

 **(i) Draft Minutes of the Events Committee 8th October 2014**

 **(ii) Draft Minutes of the Finance & GP Committee 10th October 2014**

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **NOTE** the draft minutes of the above Committees.

**62. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE LEADER**

The Leader reminded members of the upcoming Remembrance Sunday and Armistice Day services to be held on the 9th and 11th of November respectively.

**63. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE TOWN CLERK**

The Town Clerk informed members that he would be on annual leave for the week commencing 3rd of November.

The Town Clerk also provided an update on the snagging issues in relation to the Town Hall development.

**64. MAYORAL ENGAGEMENTS**

 A schedule of Mayoral Engagements was submitted.

 It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that the schedule be **NOTED.**

**65. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

* 14/00627/ADV Tesco Petrol Station Steley Way Prescot
* 14/00667/FUL Speedy Hire, Sovereign Works, Kelly Street
* 14/00688/FUL 7 Willow Grove, Prescot
* 14/00698/CLU Oak Tyres, 97 Warrington Road
* 14/00664/TCA 33 Eaton Street
* 14/00684/FUL 28 Park Road

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that there were no objections to the above planning applications.

**66. PLANNING DECISIONS**

 **APPLICATION NO: DEVELOPMENT DECISION**

 **14/00497/FUL** Land to the rear 1-25 Hope Street Granted

 It was **UNANIMOULSY RESOLVED** to **NOTE** the above Planning Decision.

**67. NORTH WEST FUN FAIRS**

The Town Clerk had submitted a report to advise members of an enquiry received for the letting of Brown’s Field for the purpose of a fun fair over the Easter period 2015.

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to defer this item for further information and that a consultation should be carried out with residents abounding Browns Field before the report is resubmitted **.**

**68. EATON STREET DEVELOPMENT - FUNDING APPLICATION**

The Town Clerk had submitted a report to advising members of the opportunity to apply for funding to replace the bowling pavilion on Eaton Street Park.

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to approve the funding application.

**69. LOCAL GOVERNMENT PENSION SCHEME – EMPLOYER DISCRETIONS**

The Town Clerk submitted a report to containing a full set of draft policy resolutions for the adoption by the Town Council.

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that all of the draft policies be adopted and that the Town Clerk provide this information to MPF**.**

**70. AMENDMENT TO TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR EVENTS COMMITTEE**

The Town Clerk had submitted a report to Council advising a recommended amendment to the Terms of reference for the Council’s Events committee.

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that this item be deferred until the next Town Council meeting.

**71. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOUNDARY COMMISSION PROPOSAL**

The Town Clerk had submitted a report to Council detailing the works undertaken by the Local Government Boundary Commission working group and resulting proposal for submission on behalf of the Council.

Each section of the proposed submission was addressed and voted on separately, Cllr I Smith requested that the vote be recorded.

Section A

A motion was made that section A be altered not to include a reduction in the overall number of wards, but that Prescot should be treated as a special case and included as one ward within Knowsley.

An amendment was proposed that section A be submitted in its current form

For the amendment

Cllr’s I. Smith, C. Cashman, M. Sommerfield and J. McGarry

Against the amendment

Cllrs G. Flatley, D. Friar, M. Friar, R. Arnall, D. Rigby and K. Swales

Abstentions

Cllrs D. Allen, L. O’Keeffe, S. O’Keeffe, S. Arnall

For the original motion

Cllrs G. Flatley, D. Friar, M. Friar, R. Arnall, D. Rigby and K. Swales

Against the original motion

Cllr’s I. Smith, C. Cashman, M. Sommerfield and J. McGarry

Abstentions

Cllrs D. Allen, L. O’Keeffe, S. O’Keeffe, S. Arnall

It was therefore **RESOLVED** the original motion be passed

Section B

A motion was made that section B be submitted un-amended

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that the motion be passed

Section C

A motion was made that section C be submitted un-amended

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that the motion be passed

**The meeting closed at 8.34 p.m.**

**Dated: 28TH NOVEMBER 2014 Signed: …………………………………**

 **Cllr. G Flatley**

 **Mayor of Prescot**