

PRESCOT TOWN COUNCIL

A meeting of the **COUNCIL** for the **TOWN OF PRESCOT** was held on **FRIDAY, 28TH APRIL 2017** in the **PRESCOT TOWN HALL, 1 WARRINGTON ROAD, PRESCOT,** commencing at **6.00 P.M.**

ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillors D. Friar, J. Molloy, S. O’Keeffe, D. Fairclough, D. Rigby, J. Chadwick, M. O’Mara, G. Flatley, J. Burke, I. Smith and K. Taylor

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

D. Wilson (Town Clerk)
L. Johnson (Administration Officer)
Mark Cawood

128. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllrs, L. O’Keeffe, S. Pimblett and K. Swales

129. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Declarations of Interests were received from Cllr S. O’Keeffe for items no 10 and 11 - Planning Applications and Planning Decisions and from Cllr I. Smith for item no 10. 11 and 12 - Planning Applications, Planning Decisions and Funding Applications.

130. KNOWSLEY LANE DRAFT SPD

Officers from KMBC’s planning department provided members with a presentation and question and answer session in relation to the Knowsley Land draft SPD.

131. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that the minutes of the previous council meeting held on 31st March 2017 be **APPROVED AND SIGNED** as a true and accurate record of the business transacted.

132. MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS

There were no minutes from Committee Meetings to be noted.

133. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE LEADER

There were no announcements from the Leader.

134. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE TOWN CLERK

Annual Accounts

I have now completed the annual accounts and annual return year ended March 2017. As a result of all activities the Town Council has ended the year with an increase on its general reserves of circa £20,000 some £8000 more than targeted. This primarily due to savings achieved against budget and additional income not expected at the time of the budget setting process. Although this is very positive news, the council's reserves are still well below amounts recommended by external audit, although we are continuing to move in the right direction.

Internal Audit

The Internal Auditors from KMBC have conducted their sample testing throughout this week and have concluded there works on by signing section of the Town Council's Annual Return. A copy of the audit report will be presented to full council in May.

CCTV at Eaton Street Park

The Town Council have agreed to joint fund the installation of CCTV at Prescott Cables and Eaton Street Park. The new CCTV system will cover both playgrounds and the Pavilion building and will held in joint ownership.

135. REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS FROM REPRESENTATIVES AT CONFERENCES OR OUTSIDE BODIES

None submitted

136. MAYORAL ENGAGEMENTS

There were no Mayoral Engagements

137. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

There were no Planning Applications received.

138. PLANNING DECISIONS

There were no Planning Decisions received.

139. FUNDING APPLICATIONS

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **APROVE** the funding application from

- MATE Productions, in the sum of £500

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **AGREE** the funding application from

- Prescott Hockey Club, in the sum of £500

At this point, Cllr I. Smith left the room.

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **AGREE** the funding application from

- Prescott Historic Society, in the sum of £300

At this point, Cllr I. Smith returned to the room.

140. ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **AGREE** the recommendation under 3.1 being

- Approve the Annual Governance Statement for the financial year ending 31st March 2017.

141. AMENDED MOTION FROM CLLR BURKE – MAKE PRESCOT AUTISM AWARE INITATIVE

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **AGREE** the amended motion.

The meeting closed at 6.45 p.m.

Dated:

Signed:.....

Cllr Dave Friar (Town Mayor)