

PRESCOT TOWN COUNCIL

A MEETING of the COUNCIL for the TOWN OF PRESCOT was held on **FRIDAY, 26 OCTOBER, 2012** in the **WEST STREET OFFICE COMPLEX, 9 WEST STREET, PRESCOT**, commencing at **7.00 p.m.**

PRESENT

COUNCILLORS

R. Arnall, Flanders, D. Friar, Lloyd, Molloy, L. O’Keeffe, Rigby, Smith and Sommerfield.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Daniel Wilson—Town Clerk

APOLOGIES

Councillors Allen, Flatley, S. Arnall, M. Friar, McEgan, S. O’Keeffe, McGarry and Loyden.

58. PUBLIC OPEN FORUM

There were no members of the public present.

59. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

A Declaration of Interest was received from Councillor Rigby; - Agenda item 14 - Budget Monitoring.

60. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 28 September, 2012 be agreed as a correct record.

61. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE LEADER

The Leader of the Council did not make any announcements.

62. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE TOWN CLERK

(i) GREEN SPACE

Browns Field

Following the recent spate vandalism TC requested that Browns Field be included at PWCK problem solving group. Neighbourhood Management are now investigating the possibility of having CCTV deployed to cover Browns Field.

Deployment and monitoring of a camera will incur a number costs and KMBC are likely to ask for a contribution from PTC.

Funding For Eaton Street

The Town Clerk has submitted a £40K funding application to assist in the replacement of the recently condemned infant play space.

(ii) **NEW TOWN HALL**

Arkhibuild Ltd have been appointed as Architects for the new town hall, work will commence next week.

Guttering work will be completed on Tuesday this has been held up by car parking issues.

Borrowing approval forms completed to renovate the new town hall. Business Case is being developed with KMBC.

(iii) **QUALITY COUNCIL – PROGRESS**

Covered by main meeting and by the Photos

(iv) **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Closure of CHILL

Due to funding issues Prescot Oasis have recently closed their Youth Club CHILL. CHILL reportedly attracted up to 200 young people per week providing positive diversionary activities. Closure of the service has received a strong response from its users who feel passionately about the benefits of CHILL. Cllr Flatley is attending a public meeting tonight to get a deeper understanding and will report back to the Town Clerk.

Member Invite to the Civic Act of Remembrance

Details passed out

The Knowsley Local Plan; Core Strategy

In addition to the development of borough's Town Centres the Core Strategy proposes that over 8,000 dwellings be completed in the Borough up to 2028. 33% some 2,640 are earmarked for the Prescot, Whiston, Cronton, Knowsley Village, locations highlighted in the reports area

- Knowsley Lane, Huyton (housing/employment)
- **Land bound by A58, to the north of Prescot (housing)**
- **Carr Lane, Prescot (housing/employment)**

- South of Whiston (housing)
- Cronton Colliery (and land south of M62) (employment)
- Knowsley Village (housing)

Residents and organisations will be able to submit formal comments on the Core Strategy over a 7 week period, which is likely to start in the first week of November.

KMBC will contact PTC again before then to set out:

- details of the consultation;
- how stakeholders (including the Town and Parish Councils) can respond;
- the next steps which will include the Council submitting the Core Strategy to the Government to undergo an independent examination by a Planning Inspector in 2013.

Copies available on request from DW

Phoenix Night

Funfair and Fireworks event held at BryerRoad Community Centre 2nd Novemebr
3pm till 9pm

63. MAYORAL ENGAGEMENTS

A schedule of Mayoral Engagements was submitted. It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that the schedule be **NOTED**.

64. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- 12/00562/FUL
- 12/00541/DEMCON

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

- 12/00544/FUL
- 12/00552/COU
- 12/00572/OUT

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that the above two planning applications be deferred for further information.

- 12/00568/KMBC1

It was **RESOLVED** that there were no objections to the above Planning application.

65. PLANNING DECISIONS

●12/00409/LBC **GRANTED**

66. PUBLICATION SCHEME

The Town Clerk provided a report containing the proposed Publication Scheme for adoption by the Town Council.

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that:-

- i) The Town Council adopt the proposed publication scheme with amendment to Class 7 ref to community centres.
- ii) the scheme be adopted, and become effective immediately until it is reviewed in 12 months.

67. COMPLAINTS AND COMPLIMENTS PROCEDURE

The Town Clerk provided a report containing the proposed Complaints and Compliments Procedure for adoption by the Town Council

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that:-

- i) The Town Council adopt the proposed Complaints and Compliments Procedure.
- ii) the procedure becomes effective immediately.

68. SICKNESS ABSENCE PROCEDURE

The Town Clerk provided a report containing the proposed Sickness Absence Procedure for adoption by the Town Council

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that:-

- i) The Town Council adopt the proposed Sickness Absence Procedure.
- ii) the procedure becomes effective immediately.

69. TOWN TEAM CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

The Town Clerk provided a report informing members of Prescot Town Team and its intentions to hold a Christmas festival.

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that:-

- i) The Town Council support the proposed Christmas event and future endeavours of the Town Team to revitalise the Town Centre.
- ii) The Town Council make available funds of £3000 from the Christmas Light budget to provide financial support to the Christmas event should it be required. Town Clerk to administer through the Town Council's Financial Regulations.

70. BUDGET MONITORING REPORT

The Town Clerk provided the budget monitoring report up to October 2012

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that the report be approved.

The meeting closed at 8.08 p.m.

Dated: 30th NOVEMBER 2012

Signed:

**CLLR L O'KEEFFE
TOWN MAYOR**