

PRESCOT TOWN COUNCIL

A meeting of the **COUNCIL** for the **TOWN OF PRESCOT** was held on **TUESDAY, 26th JUNE 2018** in **PRESCOT TOWN HALL, 1 WARRINGTON ROAD, PRESCOT,** commencing at **6.00 P.M.**

ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillors, D. Friar, D. Fairclough, D. Rigby,
J. Chadwick, S. Pimblett, G. Flatley, J. Burke, I. Smith, K. Taylor and
P. Cook.

TOWN COUNCIL OFFICERS PRESENT

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

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

19. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllrs L. O’Keeffe, S. O’Keeffe, M. O’Mara, M. Friar and J. Molloy

20. PUBLIC OPEN FORUM

21. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None received.

22. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that the minutes of the previous council meeting held on 15th May 2018 be **APPROVED AND SIGNED** as a true and accurate record of the business transacted.

23. MINUTES OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **NOTE** the minutes of committee meetings for:

Finance and General Purposes Committee	13 th April 2018 and 11 th May 2018
Events Committee	28 th March 2018 and 9 th May 2018

24. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE LEADER

Prescot Carnival

The Leader thanked everybody involved in the Carnival and commented on the success of the event.

Letter from the Friends of KGV Brown's Field and Carr lane Woods

The Leader paraphrased a letter received from the Friends of KGV Brown's Field and Carr lane Woods thanking the Town Council for it's resolute position on the proposed sale of Brown's Field. The full letter can be seen on the news and events section of the Town Council's website.

25. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE TOWN CLERK

Parks Sale Reversed

Following on from the leader's announcements I am very pleased to be able to say that the immediate future of Town's green space is safe. The Town Council's approach to the issue was professional and constructive throughout and as with the next two items below, it demonstrates its commitment to betterment of the Town. Moving forward we now have an opportunity to engage with all local stakeholders to seek a way forward to protect all the Town's green spaces in perpetuity and to deliver on existing plans and develop new ones to enhance and get the most out of our public open space.

Prescot Carnival

What a fantastic day, its beginning to sound a little repetitive, but it is entirely genuine when I say it's the best one yet. Each year we seem to be able to outdo the previous Carnival, and this year was no exception, a really great day. For me the Carnival demonstrates how the Town Council meets one of its main purposes in fostering a sense of community, in an age of austerity it is traditions such as a local Carnival that help to enhance a sense of place and community. This was evident by the number of local groups in attendance this year. The Prescot Carnival is no small task and the success of the Carnival itself is a credit to dedication of those who work in the planning and delivery of the event each year.

Love Prescot

The new LOVE Prescot site is now up and running, once again the Town Council have worked with local stakeholders to revamp the old site and provide some additionality. The site follows the same principles a tourist information site, however it also has a huge amount of information for those living in Prescot showcasing the vast amount of positive aspects of the Town. For instance, the new What's On tab will feature a complete breakdown of every activity available in Prescot on any given day, although this is a huge task and currently still in progress. The nature of the site means it will require constant attention and officer resources, but this is another good

example of the Town Council's actions to promote the Town through strong partnership working.

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

None.

27. MAYORAL ENGAGEMENTS

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **NOTE** the Mayoral Engagements provided.

28. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following comments were **UNANIMOUSLY AGREED**

Application Ref	Location	Comments
17/00671/NMA	Vacant Land Adjacent to War Memorial – Market Place, Prescot	No Objections
18/00329/FUL	Melissa's Spa and Nails 27 Eccleston Street, Prescot	No Objections
18/00359/FUL	14 Alder Close, Prescot L34 2SN	No Objections

29. PLANNING DECISIONS

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **NOTE** the following planning decisions.

Application Ref	Location	Comments
18/00137/FUL	19 Atherton Street, Prescot L34 5QN	Granted
18/00356/FUL	John Joseph Powell Day Centre 4 High Street Prescot	Withdrawn Invalid

30. FUNDING APPLICATIONS

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the funding application from Family Voices = Family Choices - £100

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the funding application from Prescot Hockey Club - £500

At this point Cllr I. Smith left the room

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the funding application from Prescott Historic Society - £300

Cllr I. Smith returned to the room

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the funding application from Facing Life and Pain (FLAP) - £470

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **DEFER** the funding application from East Liverpool Riding for the Disabled for us to get more information.

31. ADDING SOCIAL VALUE TO DEVELOPMENT – CONSULTATION DRAFT

It was **RESOLVED** to by a vote of nine in favour and one abstention (Cllr I Smith) to **AGREE** the comment below.

The Town Council would like to register its support for the principles laid out in the Draft Adding Social Value to Development: Employment and Skills (SPD). However, it would retain its position of 2016 with regard to the local plan, in that it would oppose the realise and subsequent development of any existing or formerly designated green belt or green space within the town.

32. COUNCILLORS ALLOWANCES

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **AGREE** the recommendations at 3.1

Members fully consider the report attached as appendix 1 and agree to adopt the recommendations contained within.

6.3

- No Parish basic allowance be payable during the financial year 2018/2019; and
- Reasonable out of pocket expenses for travel and subsistence be reimbursed in respect of duties and meetings covered by the relevant regulations.

33. TREASURY MANAGEMENT

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **AGREE** the recommendations at 5.2 in the report being: -

Using the powers granted under the Local Government Act 2003 s 15 (1) (a) members

- Option 2 medium investment was adopted

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34. SUMMER QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER 2018

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **AGREE** the recommendations at 2.1 in the report being: -

Using the powers granted under the Local Government Act 1972, s..142.

- Members consider the draft newsletter attached as appendix 1 and approve the items for the quarter

The meeting closed at 6.45 p.m.

Dated: 31st July 2018

Signed: .....
Mayor of Prescott

