PRESCOT TOWN COUNCIL

A meeting of the COUNCIL for the TOWN OF PRESCOT was held on THURSDAY, 24th SEPTEMBER 2020 via ZOOM, commencing at 6.00 P.M.

ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillors T. Large, I. Smith, T. Smith, F. Wynn, J. Burke, P. Cook, T. Murray, K. Taylor and C. Krelle

TOWN COUNCIL OFFICERS PRESENT

D. Wilson (Town Clerk)
L. Sephton (Deputy Town Clerk)

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

45. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllr M. Burke and Cllr L. Rigby.

46. <u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u>

Declarations of Interest were received from the following

• Cllr I. Smith for item 10 Planning Applications, 20/00331/FUL.

47. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that the minutes of the previous council meeting held on 30th July 2020 be **APPROVED AND SIGNED** as a true and accurate record of the business transacted.

48. MINUTES OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

There were no minutes of committee meetings to be noted.

49. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE LEADER

There we no announcements from the Leader.

50. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE TOWN CLERK

Greenspace

As you know there is an update report further on in the agenda, but since writing the report I've now attended positive meetings with KMBC and both the friends groups on the leased sites, hopefully we will be able to start moving forward.

Aldi

Following on from Aldi's email on Monday I have now received more information which I have distributed this afternoon. In essence the proposal is exactly the same as when this first mentioned a couple of years ago.

Community Training

The Family and Community Education Service will be starting English lessons in the Town Hall on Monday afternoons in the Multi-Function room. We are looking to grow this offer but it's a bit more complicated with the COVID situation.

Ethics and Standards Training with KMBC

I strongly recommend all elected members make every effort to take advantage of this training session. This session will provide a valuable opportunity to get some clarity on matters around interests, pre-determination, or any other areas you may want clarity on with regard to ethics and standards in your role as Councillor. This will take place on Tuesday 6th October 2020 at 5:30pm.

COVID 19 Update

The Deputy Town Clerk gave an update to members on the current COVID 19 implications along with how we have become COVID 19 secure.

Pumpkin Trail Competition

Cllr Murray discussed the possibility of running a Pumpkin trail competition similar to the Rainbow trail. The Town Clerk confirmed that the Mayor was supportive of the idea.

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

There were no reports or presentations to receive.

52. MAYORAL ENGAGEMENTS

There were no Mayoral Engagements to note.

53. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Application Ref	Location	Comments
20/00331/FUL	32-36 High Street, Prescot (former Royal Bank of Scotland)	Objection to be made on the grounds of highway safety, noise & disturbance due to the density of the building with compact living spaces, disabled access and lack of parking.
20/00380/OUT	Land Adjacent to 15 Houghton Street, Prescot	No Objections
20/00390/FUL	Stanley News 52 Eccleston Street, Prescot	No Objections
20/00423/FUL	71 Sinclair Avenue, Prescot	No Objections
20/00386/FUL	Prescot House Dental Surgery, 3 High Street, Prescot	No Objections
20/00387/FUL	Prescot House Dental Surgery, 3 High Street, Prescot	No Objections
20/00370/FUL	Prescot Station, Bridge Road, Prescot	No Objections
20/00443/FUL	21 Market Place, Prescot	No Objections
20/00476/FUL	6 Rod Mill Grove, Prescot	No Objections
20/00363/FUL	Land East of the Roundabout of Prescot Way, Carr Lane and Cables Way Prescot	No Objections
20/00411/FUL	Shakespeare North Playhouse, Prospero Place, Prescot	No Objections
20/00498/FUL	5 - 7 Atherton Street, Prescot	No Objections
20/00522/PDE	155 Shaw Lane, Prescot	No Objections
20/00528/PDE	112 Molyneux Drive, Prescot	No Objections

54. PLANNING DECISIONS

There were no planning decisions for noting.

55. FUNDING APPLICATIONS

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the sum of £400 for the funding application from Prescot Hockey Club.

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the sum of £500 for the funding application from Prescot Cables.

56. MOTION FROM COUNCILLOR J BURKE

In accordance with the powers granted under section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **SUPPORT** Cllr Joanne Burkes motion being:

'I would like to move that the specific details of the Citizen and Community Group of the year awards are left to the discretion of the Committee as convened by the Town Clerk. This will enable them to make decisions regarding the number of awards given and

that the Town Clerk develops a more comprehensive policy for approval at the annual meeting '.

57. UNIFORM RECYCLING PROJECT FEEDBACK REPORT

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the recommendations under 5.1 being:

In accordance with the powers granted under section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972 members are asked to

 Recognise the success of the School Uniform Recycling project and approve its continuation in future years.

And

• Thank all those involved in a voluntary capacity

58. COMMUNITY CLEAN UP EVENT FEEDBACK REPORT

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the recommendations under 5.1 being:

In accordance with the powers granted under section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972 members are asked to

• Recognise the success of the event

And

Thank all those involved in a voluntary capacity

59. FOOD BANK FEEDBACK REPORT

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the recommendations under 5.1 being:

• Recognise the success of Food Bank operations and the contribution of those involved.

60. DRAFT ANNUAL REPORT

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the amendments as provided to the Town Clerk and for 6,000 copies to be printed and delivered using a postal service.

61. GREENSPACE UPDATE

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the recommendations under 5.1 being:

Using the power granted under the Open Spaces Act 1906 ss 10b Members are asked to

 Note the report, approve the cost of tree felling on Eaton Street Recreation Ground

And

• The purchase of additional trees for the site

The meeting closed at 6.54 p.m.

