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Dated this 20th Day of June 2024

To the Mayor and Members of Prescot Town Council

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED TO ATTEND a meeting of Prescot Town Council to be held on Thursday 27th June 2024

<u>at</u>

**Prescot Town Hall** 

commencing at 5.30 p.m.

Alex Spencer TOWN CLERK

# AGENDA

1	TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES	Verbal
2	PUBLIC OPEN FORUM	Verbal
	To provide members of the public with the opportunity to ask questions of the Council.	
3	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	Verbal
	In accordance with Standing Order 5.k.iii, members are invited to indicate and interests they may have in relation to items on the agenda for the meeting.	
4	MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING	Pages
	To <u>APPROVE AND SIGN</u> the minutes of Town Council held on Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> May 2024 as a true and accurate record of the business transacted.	5 to 13
5	MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS	Pages
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6	REPORT ON COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS DURING 2024/25	Pages
	Members are asked to <b>CONSIDER</b> the report and <b>AGREE</b> the recommendations contained within.	19 to 22
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	To receive announcements from the Leader of the Council.	
	FOR INFORMATION AND TO RECEIVE QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS	

8	ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE TOWN CLERK	Pages
	To receive announcements from the Town Clerk.	23 to 25
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	To receive reports and presentations from representatives at conferences or outside bodies.	
	FOR INFORMATION AND TO RECEIVE QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS	
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	Friends Of Halsnead Allotment and Food Initiative Group	
14	RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PRESS AND PUBLIC	
	By virtue of Standing Order 3D, that members of the press and public be excluded for the remainder of the meeting given the confidential nature of the business to be transacted or for other special reasons.	
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# MEMBER DISCUSSION: HEADS OF TERMS AND MANAGEMENT OF BROWN'S FIELD AND EATON STREET PARK To receive a briefing from the Town Clerk updating Members on Heads of Terms and Management of Brown's Field and Eaton Street Park (Briefing to be circulated to Members by close of business on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2024) FOR INFORMATION ONLY

#### TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

#### 27th JUNE 2024

#### **REPORT TITLE:**

Minutes of Previous Town Council Meeting

#### BACKGROUND TO THE REPORT:

As members are aware the minutes of all Town Council Meetings are required to be agreed as a true and accurate record of the business transacted at the meeting.

#### PURPOSE OF REPORT:

To **APPROVE** and **SIGN** the minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on 30<sup>th</sup> May 2024.

#### REPORTS PREPARED BY:

Alex Spencer – Town Clerk



A meeting of the COUNCIL for the TOWN OF PRESCOT was held on THURSDAY, 30th MAY 2024 in PRESCOT TOWN HALL, commencing at 6.02 P.M.

#### ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillors J. Burke, M. Burke, P. Cook, J. Edgar, P. Goodwin, T. Murray, I. Smith, T. Smith, P. Shaw M. Sommerfield, G. Wickens and F. Wynn.

#### TOWN COUNCIL OFFICERS PRESENT

A. Spencer (Town Clerk)
L. Sephton (Deputy Town Clerk)

#### ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

2 x Members of the Public

# **ELECTION OF TOWN MAYOR FOR THE CIVIC YEAR 2024/25** It was UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that Cllr M. Burke be elected to serve as Mayor of Prescot for the 2024/25 Civic Year. MAYORS DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE <u>2.</u> Cllr M. Burke duly signed the acceptance of office book to officially accept the office of Town Mayor. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES <u>3.</u> No apologies were received. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** <u>4.</u> Declarations of Interest were received from the following: -Cllr M. Burke for Item 17 Planning Applications Cllr J. Burke for Item 19 Community Fund Applications Cllr P. Cook for Item 19 Community Fund Applications Cllr T. Murray for Item 19 Community Fund Applications Cllr I. Smith for Items 17 Planning Applications & 18 Planning Decisions Cllr T. Smith for Item 19 Community Fund Applications

#### 5. VOTE OF THANKS TO THE RETIRING MAYOR

On behalf of Members the Mayor gave a vote of thanks to the outgoing Mayor Cllr T. Murray and thanked her for her work, service and fund raising throughout the 2023/24 civic year alongside her consorts during her term in office.

Cllr J. Burke echoed the thanks of the Mayor and extended her gratitude for Cllr Murray's commitment to Council's Local Democracy Project and her fundraising throughout 2023/24.

Cllr M Burke presented Cllr T Murray with a bouquet of flowers and a former Mayor badge in thanks and recognition of her service.

In response, Cllr T Murray said it had been a huge honour and privilege to serve as the Mayor of Prescot, and she wished the new Mayor the best of luck during his tenure.

## 6. ELECTION OF DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR FOR THE CIVIC YEAR 2024/25

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that Cllr Graham Wickens be elected to the Office of Deputy Town Mayor for the civic year 2024/25.

# 7. DEPUTY MAYORS DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

Cllr G. Wickens duly signed the acceptance of office book to officially accept the office of Deputy Town Mayor.

#### 8. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that the minutes of the previous council meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> March 2024 be **APPROVED AND SIGNED** as a true and accurate record of the business transacted.

#### 9. MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEES

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOVED** to **NOTE** minutes of Events Committee on  $20^{th}$  May 2024.

# 10. REVIEW OF TOWN COUNCIL COMMITTEES AND ASSOCIATED TERMS OF REFERENCE 2024/25

In accordance with Standing Order 5J iv, Council is required to review the terms of Reference for committees and appointment of Members to those committees

It was UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that:-

- 1. Council would continue to have an Events Committee and Finance, Policy and HR Committee during 2024/25.
- 2. The terms of reference for each committee were accurate.
- 3. The number of Members sitting on Events Committee would increase from 7 to 8, and would be comprised of the following Members:-

Cllr J. Burke

Cllr M. Burke

Cllr P. Cook

Cllr J. Edgar

Cllr P. Goodwin

Cllr T. Murray

Cllr T. Smith

Cllr M. Sommerfield

4. The number of Members sitting on Finance, Policy and HR Committee would increase from 6 to 9, and would be comprised of the following Members:-

Cllr J. Burke

Cllr M. Burke

Cllr P. Goodwin

Cllr T. Murray

Cllr P. Shaw

Cllr I. Smith

Cllr T. Smith

Cllr M. Sommerfield

Cllr G. Wickens

# 11. REVIEW OF STANDING ORDERS AND FINANCIAL REGULATIONS 2024/25

In accordance with Standing Order 5J v, Council is required to review Council's Standing Orders.

In accordance with Finance Regulation 18.1, a review of Council's Financial Regulations is required.

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **AGREE** the recommendations at 3.1 of the report being:-

1. Members reviewed and agreed Standing Orders and Financial Regulations for the civic year 2024/25.

#### 12. REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES 2024/25

In accordance with Standing Order 5J vi, Council is required to review representation on or work with external bodies and arrangements for reporting back.

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **AGREE** the recommendations at 4.1 of the report being: -

1. That the Town Clerk continues to attend meetings of organisations stated at Appendix One to the report.

#### 13. COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE 2024/25

In accordance with Standing Order 5J vii, Council is required to determine the time and place or ordinary meetings of the Council, up to and including the next Annual Meeting of Council.

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **AGREE** the recommendations at 3.1 of the report being: -

- 1. That meetings of Events Committee within the municipal calendar will not have a fixed date, but will instead be stated as "To Be Confirmed" with the Deputy Town Clerk seeing Member availability.
- 2. That meetings of Finance, Policy and HR Committee scheduled for 11<sup>th</sup> July 2024 and 16<sup>th</sup> January 2025 not be confirmed and are subject to change pending clarification from Members.
- 3. That although the stated start time for Council and Committee meetings is 6:00pm, officers will check Member availability 14 days before the meeting to determine whether meetings can commence at 5.30pm; and that any change is reflected in Council agendas.

#### 14. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE LEADER

The Leader indicated that she was excited about Members working collaboratively during 2024/25 to progress the work of Council.

#### 15. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE TOWN CLERK

#### Proposed Development and Operations at Brown's Field/Eaton Street Park

The Town Clerk continues to liaise with Knowsley Council officers regarding operations at both Brown's Field and Eaton Street Park; and specifically to Browns Field, the proposed building of a pavilion and improvement to football pitches.

Unfortunately, despite several requests by the Town Clerk to have a meeting with Knowsley Council officers regarding both sites – particularly after Council's resolution to not accept proposed heads of terms offered by Knowsley Council – no meeting has been convened and therefore, the Town Clerk will be seeking support of dual-hatted Members to get a meeting diarised and perhaps escalate to Executive Officer level.

#### Local Democracy Project 2024/25

The Town Clerk would like to thank Members for confirming their availability to support the 2024/25 Local Democracy Project.

The first session of the project took place at Prescot Town Hall on 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2024 with Year 6 children from Our Lady's Catholic Primary.

The format of the project was tweaked slightly compared with 2023/24, however the day itself ran extremely smoothly and feedback from both pupils and teachers was positive.

Officers promoted the first session on social media pages.

All four other primary schools within the town have been assigned a date, with the project concluding in July 2024.

#### 16. MAYORAL ENGAGEMENTS

None

#### 17. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

No planning applications were considered.

Application Ref	Location	Comments

#### 18. PLANNING DECISIONS

No Planning Decisions were received.

Cllrs J. Burke, P. Cook, T. Murray and T. Smith left the meeting.

#### 19. COMMUNITY FUNDING BIDS

1. Prescot Mission Christmas Dinner 2024 who was seeking £500.00 to help support the provision of Christmas dinners in Prescot.

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the sum of £500.00 for the funding application from Prescot Mission Christmas 2024.

Cllrs J. Burke, P. Cook, T. Murray and T. Smith rejoined the meeting.

2. 1st Whiston and Prescot Scout Group who was seeking £500.00 to contribute towards the purchase of a trailer to help transport group equipment.

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the sum of £500.00 for the funding application from 1<sup>st</sup> Whiston and Prescot Scout Group, albeit that the offer letter drafted and sent by officers should include a comment that the group reinstates "Prescot" within its title.

3. Friends of Halsnead Allotment and Food Initiative Group who was seeking £500.00 for the purchase of food, toiletries and essential items for people using their social supermarket.

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **DEFER** the application pending clarification by the Town Clerk as to whether the type of items stated within the application were within the remit of the Community Fund Policy.

#### 20. ANNUAL GOVERNANCE & ACCOUNTABILITY RETURN 2023/24

The Town Clerk presented the Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2023/24 to Members.

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **AGREE** the recommendations under 5.0 of the report being:-

- 1. That Members REVIEW Council's 2023/24 Internal Audit Report
- 2. AGREE Section One Annual Governance Statement
- 3. AGREE Section Two Annual Accounting Statement
- 4. **AGREE** that 2023/24 Annual Governance and Accountability Return be submitted to PKF Littlejohn.
- 5. AGREE Revised Banking Mandate with authorised signatories being:
  - a. Alex Spencer Town Clerk
  - b. Louise Sephton Deputy Town Clerk
  - c. Cllr J. Burke
  - d. Cllr M. Burke
  - e. Cllr. I Smith
  - f. Cllr. G Wickens

#### 21. REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT RENUMERATIONS PANEL 2024

The Town Clerk presented the Report of The Independent Renumerations Panel 2024 to Members.

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **AGREE** the recommendations under 3.0 of the report being: -

1. That Members should continue to receive no basic allowance or out of pocket expenses for the civic year 2024/25.

# 22. PRESCOT TOWN HALL CAR PARK SURVEY TO REDUCE LOCAL TRAFFIC ISSUES

Members considered the report of the Town Clerk which highlighted local traffic issues (notably along Warrington Road) and put forward proposals for the car park located at Prescot Town Hall to be made available for the use of a local business (The Big Chippy) or *gratis* parking for the wider community.

Members received an update from Cllr J. Burke that she was working with Knowsley Council officers to help ameliorate some traffic issues at this location.

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **DEFER** any decision and **INSTRUCT** the Town Clerk to contact Knowsley Council for an update on what work has been completed to date.

#### 23. CHRISTMAS CLOSEDOWN 2024

Members considered the report of the Town Clerk which sought approval for the closure of Prescot Town Hall from 5:00pm on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2024 to 9:00am on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2025, with Members further agreeing to the awarding of two ex-gratia concessionary days during this period.

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **AGREE** the recommendations under 3.0 of the report being: -

- 1. That Prescot Town Hall would close from 5:00pm on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2024 to 9:00am on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2025
- 2. That two ex-gratia days would be awarded to officers during this period
- 3. That officers would be required to use three days annual leave during this period
- 4. That officers would contact room hirers and potential room hirers to make them aware that Prescot Town Hall would be closed during this period.

#### 24. RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PRESS & PUBLIC

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to Exclude the Press and Public form the meeting by virtue of Standing Order 3D.

#### 25. BAR CONCESSION TENDER 2024

The Town Clerk informed Members that he had been notified by Jaka Ltd that they did not wish to continue with the bar concession beyond the end of August 2024; and as a result a bar tendering exercise would need to commence.

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **AGREE** the recommendations under 4.0 of the report being: -

- 1. Members reviewed and approved documents for the 2024 bar tender
- 2. Members reviewed, amended and approved timescales for the 2024 bar tender
- 3. Members approved how the bar tender was to be published/circulated
- 4. Members established a Tender Evaluation Panel insofar as Members of Finance, Policy & HR Committee would review submitted tenders at its meeting in July 2024.
- 5. Members noted the contents of the report.

The meeting closed at 7:35 p.m.

#### TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

#### 27th JUNE 2024

#### REPORT TITLE:

Minutes of Committees

#### BACKGROUND TO THE REPORT:

In order to ensure all members are kept up to date with the decisions reached by committees a copy of the minutes for each council committee meeting is provided.

#### PURPOSE OF REPORT:

To **NOTE** the minutes of the committee meetings provided.

#### REPORTS PREPARED BY:

Alex Spencer – Town Clerk



A meeting of the FINANCE, POLICY AND HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE for the TOWN OF PRESCOT was held on THURSDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> MAY 2024 in PRESCOT TOWN HALL, commencing at 6.00 P.M.

#### **ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT**

Councillors J. Burke, M. Burke, I. Smith & G Wickens.

#### TOWN COUNCIL OFFICERS PRESENT

A. Spencer (Town Clerk)

#### ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Cllr P. Shaw

#### 35. ELECTION OF CHAIR OF COMMITTEE

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to appoint Cllr G. Wickens as Chair of Finance, Policy and Human Resources Committee for all remaining meetings of 2023/24.

#### 36. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR OF COMMITTEE

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to appoint Cllr M. Burke as Vice-Chair of Finance, Policy and Human Resources Committee for all remaining meetings of 2023/24.

#### 37. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COMMITTEE MEETING

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that the minutes of the previous Finance, Policy and Human Resources Committee Meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> January 2024 be **APPROVED AND SIGNED** as a true and accurate record of the business transacted.

#### 38. MONTHLY BUDGET MONITORING STATEMENT

The Town Clerk presented the monthly budget monitoring statement to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024 for Members' consideration.

#### It was UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to:-

 APPROVE the budget monitoring statement to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024, subject to the Town Clerk making two amendments regarding figures concerning the senior citizen drop-in budget, and the narrative relating to Parks Capital Maintenance budget.

#### 39. ORDERS AND PAYMENTS AUTHORISATION

The Town Clerk presented orders and payments to 31st March 2024.

It was UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to:-

1. **APPROVE** payments to 31st March 2024.

#### 40. FACILITIES BOOKINGS

The Town Clerk provided Members with the quarterly list of facility bookings and derived income to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024.

It was UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to:-

1. **NOTE** the bookings list as presented by the Town Clerk

#### 41. REVIEW OF COUNCIL'S 2023/24 FIXED ASSET REGISTER

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the recommendations at 2.1 being: -

- 1. **APPROVE** Council's 2023/24 Fixed Asset Register as presented, subject to the removal of Asset Reference PTC73 "Defibrillator" and that the Town Clerk clarifies purchase/ownership of gazebos as stated within the Asset Register.
- 2. **APPROVE** that amendments to the asset register are reflected in Councils 2023/24 Annual Governance and Accountability Return
- 3. **NOTE** the contents of this report.

# 42. PROPOSED ANNUAL GOVERNANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY RETURN 2023/24

It was UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to:-

- 1. **RECOMMEND** that the Proposed 2023/24 Annual Governance & Accountability Return be presented to Annual Council for approval.
- 2. **APPROVE** that Cllr P. Shaw supports officers in reviewing and updating the Prescot Town Council website, in addition to testing the market for a website designer/website host.
- 3. **NOTE** the contents of the report.

#### 43. PROPOSED CO-OPTION POLICY 2024 VERSION TWO

The Town Clerk presented a second version of the Co-Option Policy as presented to Members in January 2024.

#### It was UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to:-

- 1. **DEFER** approving the proposed co-option policy to ascertain the process for co-opting Cllr P. Cook onto Council
- 2. **NOTE** the contents of the report.
- 3. INSTRUCT the Town Clerk to set up a working group to consider the policy.

#### 44. RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** by virtue of Standing Order 3D, that members of the press and public be excluded for the remainder of the meeting given the confidential nature of the business to be transacted or for other special reasons.

#### 45. TOWN HALL CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

The Town Clerk presented a report to Members for Christmas Lights on the side and front of Prescot Town Hall including design and costs.

#### It was UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to:-

1. **APPROVE** that Council enters into a three year contract with Lumalite to provide Christmas Lights at Prescot Town Hall from 2024/25 to 2026/27.

#### 46. UPDATE ON RECRUITMENT TO CARETAKER POSITION

The Town Clerk updated Members that a total of eight people had applied for the vacant caretaker/cleaner position.

#### It was UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to:-

1. **INSTRUCT** the Town Clerk to interview all applicants for the vacant position, and that whilst only one Caretaker/Cleaner vacancy existed, where appropriate, the Town Clerk should establish a "Casual Pool" of Caretakers/Cleaners so as to support Council operations.

#### 47 TOWN CLERK – UPDATE ON CILCA QUALIFICATION

The Town Clerk confirmed that coursework relating to his CILCA qualification had been submitted to the course moderator for comment/amendment prior to formal submission to EMMA in July 2024.

#### The meeting closed at 7:18 p.m

Dated:	Signed:
	Chair - Finance, Policy and Human Resources Committee

# PRESCOT TOWN COUNCIL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

#### 27th JUNE 2024

#### REPORT TITLE:

Report on Council Resolutions During 2024/25

#### BACKGROUND TO THE REPORT

At a meeting of Annual Council in May 2023, Members resolved that a report be produced at each council and committee meeting to update Members on progress against previously agreed resolutions.

Council's Standing Orders were also amended to ensure that this report was a standing agenda item at each Council Meeting.

#### PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

To provide an update to Members of progress against previously agreed council or committee resolutions.

#### REPORT PREPARED BY:

Alex Spencer - Town Clerk



#### Report on Council Resolutions During 2024/25

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 At a meeting of Annual Council in May 2023, Members resolved that a report be produced at each council and committee meeting to update Members on progress against previously agreed resolutions (where a resolution required progression officers/partners).
- 1.2 Given that members meet throughout the civic year, it is sometimes difficult to remember what resolutions have been made at each council or committee meeting, and perhaps more importantly, difficult to assess progress against those resolutions.
- 1.3. Appendix One to this report details Members' resolutions and progress to date.

#### 2. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 2.1 Members are asked to: -
  - 1. Consider previous council resolutions and progress detailed within Appendix One
  - 2. Note the contents of this report



# Appendix One

Date of Meeting	Minute Number	Resolution	Progress to Date
30/05/2024	13	2. That meetings of Finance, Policy and HR Committee scheduled for $11^{\rm th}$ July 2024 and $16^{\rm th}$ January 2025 not be confirmed and are subject to change pending clarification from Members.	In Progress: The Town Clerk is awaiting confirmation from Members of Finance, Policy and HR Committee of alternative dates for these committees.
			Members are advised that Council resolved that Finance, Policy and HR Committee Members would evaluate submitted tenders for the Bar Concession, with recommendations submitted to Council on 25 <sup>th</sup> July.
			Finance, Policy and HR Committee must therefore meet on 18 <sup>th</sup> July at the latest.
30/05/2024	19	Approved Community Funding Application to Prescot Mission Christmas Dinner 2024 for £500.00.	In Progress: Officers have sent a letter confirming the awarding of Community Funding and are awaiting receipts.
30/05/2024	19	Approved Community Funding Application to the 1st Prescot & Whiston Scout Group for £500.00.	In Progress: Officers have sent a letter confirming the awarding of Community Funding and are awaiting receipts.
30/05/2024	19	Deferred Community Funding Application to the Friends of Halsnead and Food Initiative Group pending confirmation of Council's Community Fund Guidelines.	<b>Completed:</b> The Town Clerk will brief Members at its meeting on 27 <sup>th</sup> June 2024.



Progress to Date	Completed: The Town Clerk submitted Councils 2023/24 Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) to PKF Littlejohn as External Auditor.	In Progress: The Town Clerk has contacted Knowsley Council officers and requested an update as to what work has been completed to date and going forward. Copies of the report and data presented to Council on 30 <sup>th</sup> May 2024 have also been forwarded. The Town Clerk is awaiting a response back.
Resolution	Submission of Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2023/24	To defer any decision (on the potential use of the carpark at Prescot Town Hall for community use/the owners of "The Big Chippy") and instruct the Town Clerk to contact Knowsley Council for an update on what work has been completed to date.
Date of Meeting Minute Number	20	22
Date of Meeting	30/05/2024	30/05/2024

#### TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

#### 27th JUNE 2024

#### REPORT TITLE

Announcements from the Town Clerk

#### BACKGROUND TO THE REPORT

To provide Members with an update of work progressed and meetings attended by the Town Clerk.

#### PURPOSE OF REPORT

This report is submitted **FOR INFORMATION ONLY.** 

#### REPORT PREPARED BY

Alex Spencer – Town Clerk



#### **TOWN CLERK ANNOUNCEMENTS – June 2024**

#### Heads of Terms Relating to Brown's Field and Eaton Street Park

Members will recall that at the last meeting of Council, the Town Clerk stated that he had requested several meetings with Knowsley Council officers to discuss Heads of Terms and the current/future management of Brown's Field and Eaton Street Park; but had had no responses to these requests.

As a result, the Town Clerk sought the support of dual-hatted Members to escalate these requests to Knowsley Council Executive Officers.

Cllr I. Smith contacted the Chief Executive of Knowsley Council on behalf of the Town Clerk, and in turn, an apology was provided, and an assurance given that a meeting would be scheduled as quickly as possible.

On 13<sup>th</sup> June 2024, the Town Clerk and Cllrs J. Burke and P. Cook met with Knowsley Council officers and discussed the following:-

- a. Heads of terms offered by Knowsley Council and Prescot Town Council's resolution not to accept these terms.
- b. Potential pavilion build at Brown's Field.
- c. Update on FA funding to support pavilion build (in light of 3 month break off clause still being included within lease)
- d. Installation of inclusive roundabout at Eaton Street Park.

As a result of this meeting it has been agreed that:-

- i. The Town Clerk will meeting with Knowsley Council officers week commencing 17<sup>th</sup> June 2024 to review their 25 Year Asset Management Plan to assess current stock condition and costs to maintain/replace assets within Brown's Field and Eaton Street Park.
- ii. Knowsley Council will coordinate the purchase and installation of an inclusive play roundabout at Eaton Street Park.
- iii. Based on i. above, an options report should be presented to Prescot Town Council at an extraordinary meeting of Council in July 2024 thereby supporting deadlines stated by the FA and Knowsley Council concerning the awarding of funding for the Pavilion at Brown's Field.

#### Local Democracy Project 2024/25

Council's Local Democracy Project is progressing well, with pupils from Our Lady's Catholic Primary, St Lukes and Prescot Primary having successfully completed to date.

Feedback from each school has been positive.

#### Submission of Annual Governance & Accountability Return 2023/24

As per Member resolution at the last meeting of Council, the Town Clerk submitted Council's Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2023/24 to PKF Littlejohn as external auditor.

PKF Littlejohn has confirmed that the submission is accurate, that no further information relating to AGAR is required and that Council has satisfied the publication requirement for examination of Council's accounts.

The Town Clerk anticipates receipt of our external audit certificate in August/September 2024.

#### Prescot Events Funding

In January 2024, The Town Clerk met with Dale Milburn – Executive Director (Regeneration & Economic Development) and Louise Gillespie (as Chair of Prescot Business Club) to discuss Christmas lights and non-switch on event in 2023 and town events during 2024-25.

In May 2024, the Town Clerk received a letter from Dale Milburn confirming what was discussed at this meeting, the budget position of Knowsley Council and the ability of Knowsley Council to support events in the town.

Given the content of this letter and the financial position as outlined therefore, the Prescot Business Club will discuss how a Christmas light switch on event *may* go ahead in 2024 and how the business community will support events (including a Christmas event) beyond 2024-25.

The Town Clerk will continue to attend meetings of the Prescot Business Club and will update Members on the outcomes of those meetings.

#### BAR CONCESSION TENDER 2024

As per tender documents approved by Members at the last meeting of Council, officers have advertised the bar concession tender and have made themselves available to answer questions/advise.

To date, the Town Clerk has advised/met with two interested parties to date, however formal submissions are still to be received. The deadline for receipt of submissions is 5pm on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

Council's bar concessionaire continues to honour bookings in which have been taken and will continue to do so until the end of August 2024.

#### 1. RECOMMENDATIONS

1.1 Members are asked to consider and note the report and accompanying appendices.

# PRESCOT TOWN COUNCIL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

#### 27th JUNE 2024

#### REPORT TITLE

Mayoral Engagements

#### BACKGROUND TO THE REPORT

Details of Mayoral Engagements are attached.

# PURPOSE OF REPORT

This report is submitted **FOR INFORMATION ONLY** 

#### REPORT PREPARED BY

Alex Spencer – Town Clerk



# MAYORAL ENGAGEMENTS

Date	Organisation	Event Name
08/06/2024	Knowsley Council	Elizabethan Fayre
21/06/2024	Prescot Festival	Opening Night: South Liverpool Orchestra
22/06/2024	Prescot Photo Club	Phot Club Launch Event
23/06/2024	Prescot Town Council	Prescot Carnival
28/06/2024	Prescot Festival	Wingates Brass Band
30/06/2024	Whiston Town Council	Whiston Town Mayor Civic Service
30/06/2024	Prescot Festival	Festival Finale with Maghull Wind Orchestra
21/07/2024	Prescot Town Council	Prescot Community Recognition Awards

# PRESCOT TOWN COUNCIL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

#### 27th JUNE 2024

#### REPORT TITLE:

Planning Applications

#### BACKGROUND TO THE REPORT:

The Town Council are a primary consultee for all planning applications within the Town of Prescot. As such the local planning authority Knowsley Metropolitan Borough Council provides weekly updates on all applications received relating to the Town.

#### PURPOSE OF ITEM:

To provide Members with details of the most recent applications forwarded by KMBC. Members are required to **CONSIDER** each application and **AGREE** to make comment if they feel so inclined. On occasion these will be supplemented on the day of the meeting by additional information received after the release of the summons but before the meeting.

#### REPORT PREPARED BY:

Liam Johnson - Administration Officer



#### KNOWSLEY METROPOLITAN BOUROUGH COUNCIL - WARD MEMBERS LIST PLANNING APPLICATIONS – WEEKLY VALID LIST WEEK ENDING 05/04/2024 **PRESCOT**

APP.NO:

24/00149/FUL

**CASE OFFICER: Maxine** 

Wishart

APPLICANT: Mr Michael Le Brooq APP. TYPE: Full Application

LOCATION: 13 Chorley Road Prescot

PROPOSAL: ERECTION OF SINGLE STOREY SIDE EXTENSION

WARD:

**Prescot North** 

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https://planapp.knowsley.gov.uk/onlineapplications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=S AQYVJIX0MX00

#### KNOWSLEY METROPOLITAN BOUROUGH COUNCIL - WARD MEMBERS LIST PLANNING APPLICATIONS – WEEKLY VALID LIST WEEK ENDING 26/04/2024 PRESCOT

APP.NO:

24/00170/FUL

**CASE OFFICER: Maxine** 

Wishart

APPLICANT: Mr Brian Doyle APP. TYPE: Full Application

LOCATION: 27 Newhall Road Prescot

PROPOSAL: DEMOLITION OF EXISTING BOUNDARY WALL AND ERECTION OF

NEW BOUNDARY WALL TO THE SIDE AND REAR

WARD:

Prescot North

View Here -

https://planapp.knowsley.gov.uk/onlineapplications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=S BDHRCIXMCY00

#### KNOWSLEY METROPOLITAN BOUROUGH COUNCIL - WARD MEMBERS LIST PLANNING APPLICATIONS – WEEKLY VALID LIST WEEK ENDING 17/05/2024 **PRESCOT**

APP.NO:

24/00171/FUL

**CASE OFFICER: Reece Black** 

APPLICANT: KCO Property Developments

APP. TYPE: Full Application

LOCATION: 30 Evans Street Prescot

PROPOSAL: CHANGE OF USE FROM C3 DWELLING TO 2NO. FLATS

WARD:

**Prescot North** 

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#### KNOWSLEY METROPOLITAN BOUROUGH COUNCIL - WARD MEMBERS LIST PLANNING APPLICATIONS - WEEKLY VALID LIST WEEK ENDING 24/05/2024 PRESCOT

APP.NO:

24/00252/FUL

CASE OFFICER: To be allocated

APPLICANT: Knowsley Council APP. TYPE: Full Application

LOCATION: Shakespeare North Playhouse Prospero Place Prescot

PROPOSAL: ADDITION OF NEW PERFORATED POWDER COATED ALUMINIUM

ROOF SCREEN TO THE TOP OF THE PLANT ROOF AT SHAKESPEARE

NORTH PLAYHOUSE

WARD:

Prescot North

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APP.NO:

24/00253/CLD

CASE OFFICER: Lee Osborne

APPLICANT: omega care group

APP. TYPE: Certificate of Lawful Use/ Dev Proposed

LOCATION: 73 St Helens Road Prescot

PROPOSAL: CERTIFICATE OF LAWFULNESS FOR PROPOSED USE OF

RESIDENTIAL DWELLING AS A CHILDRENS HOME

WARD:

**Prescot North** 

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APP.NO:

24/00260/CLD

**CASE OFFICER: Reece Black** 

APPLICANT: Hollingsworth

APP. TYPE: Certificate of Lawful Use / Dev Proposed

LOCATION: 13 Bryer Road Prescot

PROPOSAL: CONSTRUCTION OF SINGLE STOREY REAR EXTENSION WITH MONO

**PITCHED** 

WARD:

**Prescot South** 

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## KNOWSLEY METROPOLITAN BOUROUGH COUNCIL – WARD MEMBERS LIST PLANNING APPLICATIONS – WEEKLY VALID LIST WEEK ENDING 31/05/2024 PRESCOT

APP.NO:

24/00262/FUL

CASE OFFICER: Reece Black

APPLICANT: Mr Terry Gainfold APP. TYPE: Full Application

LOCATION: 12 Central Avenue Prescot

PROPOSAL: ERECTION OF A TWO STOREY SIDE EXTENSION AND SINGLE

STOREY REAR EXTENSION

WARD:

Prescot North

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# KNOWSLEY METROPOLITAN BOUROUGH COUNCIL – WARD MEMBERS LIST PLANNING APPLICATIONS – WEEKLY VALID LIST WEEK ENDING 14/06/2024 PRESCOT

APP.NO:

24/00303/FUL

**CASE OFFICER: Mark Quinn** 

APPLICANT: Mr Paul Brooksbank APP. TYPE: Full Application

LOCATION: St Mary and St Pauls C of E Primary School Bryer Road Prescot

PROPOSAL: ERECTION OF FLAT ROOF INFILL EXTENSION TO FORM A NEWLY

SECURE SCHOOL EXTRANCE. THE EXTENSION WILL INCLUDE A

GLAZED CURTAIN WALL ELEVATION

WARD:

Prescot South

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APP.NO:

24/00291/FUL

**CASE OFFICER: Andrew Hunt** 

APPLICANT: Mr Bradley Massie

APP. TYPE: Full Application

LOCATION: 135 Scotchbarn Lane Prescot

PROPOSAL: ERECTION OF SINGLE STOREY SIDE EXTENSION TO CREATE NEW

OFFICE UNIT

(CLASS E) WITH ADDITIONAL STOREROOM

WARD:

**Prescot South** 

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### PRESCOT TOWN COUNCIL

#### TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

#### 27th JUNE 2024

#### REPORT TITLE:

Planning Decisions

#### BACKGROUND TO THE REPORT:

The Town Council are a primary consultee for all planning applications within the Town of Prescot. As such the local planning authority Knowsley Metropolitan Borough Council provides weekly updates on all decisions made in relation to applications received relating to the Town.

#### PURPOSE OF ITEM:

To provide Members with details of the most recent decisions forwarded by KMBC. These are for **NOTING** only. On occasion these will be supplemented on the day of the meeting by additional information received after the release of the summons but before the meeting.

#### REPORT PREPARED BY:

Liam Johnson - Administration Officer

### PRESCOT TOWN COUNCIL

#### TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

#### 27th JUNE 2024

#### REPORT TITLE:

Community Fund Bids

#### BACKGROUND TO THE REPORT:

Funding Applications have been received from:

• Friends of Halsnead Allotment and Food Initiative Group

#### **PURPOSE OF REPORT:**

To **CONSIDER** and **APPROVE, DEFER** or **REJECT** the funding applications.

#### REPORT PREPARED BY:

Alex Spencer - Town Clerk





### PRESCOT TOWN COUNCIL COMMUNITY FUND APPLICATION FORM

Small Grant Funding of up to £500 for local community projects

SECTION 1 – Your Organisation				
Organisation Name and Address:	Friends Of Halsnead Allotment and Food Initiative Group			
Contact / responsible person:	Tina Cinnamond			
Role in the Organisation:	Chairperson			
Telephone:				
Email:				
What year was your group established?	2011 as allotment 2022 with social supermarket			
Do you have a constitution?	Yes □ X	No □		
Are you a registered Charity?	Yes □ Charity Number:	No □X		
	We are an allotment group made up of community groups who grow their own produce.  We have a social supermarket which provides food for £4.00 for £16.00 worth to help people experiencing			
What are the main aims and activities of your Group?	financial hardship.	adults about the environment		
	and nature.			
	To recycle clothing and ot need.	her items to help those in		
Which area of Prescot are you based in?	L35 and L36			
	Sort Code:			
Bank Details:	Account Number:			
	Account Name:			

SECTION 2 – Your Project				
Project Name:	Tackling Food poverty			
When will this take place?	Weekly			
Please give details and costs of the activities and / or equipment that you are applying for:  You will be required to evidence each item of expenditure if successful	At the moment we have over 180 families registered with our social supermarket.  Of these 90 individuals live in Prescot.  We provide food for £4.00 for £16.00 worth.  We would use the money received to buy food, toiletries and essential items for people who use our social supermarket			
How will this project make a difference in your community?	People are in need because of the current food crisis. Being able to continue to provide cheaper food and essentials for people is helping with the financial burden and hardship that people are suffering and also helps to relieve stress because people know they are able to come to us each week.  The amount of people registered and using this each week shows that there is a definite need for this in the community.			
Who will mainly benefit from your project? (please tick the	Groups			
boxes that apply to your project)	Young People Older People General Community Resident Association Sports or Arts Minority groups (e.g. LGBT, Disabled, BME)	□x □x □x □ □x □		
How many people will benefit from your project?	180+ families (50% of which are from Prescot)			
How much funding are you asking for? (Max £500 please include an itemised list of costs to support your request)	£500.00 All will be going on food, toiletries and essentials.			
Have you secured funding from anyone else?	Not for this			
How will your project recognise the support of the Town Council	Putting up a notice to say food provided by Prescot Town Council with a logo, mention on our facebook page and on any of our literature inked to the social supermarket.			

Who will be running the activity?	□ <b>x</b> Unpaid Volunteers	How many 14
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	□ Paid Staff	How many 0

#### Declaration:

I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief the information supplied on this	Signed: Tina Cinnamond
application form is correct. This application is in compliance with the guidance notes and I confirm that I have	Position: Chairperson
the authority to sign on behalf of the organisation making this application.	Date: 3/3/24

All successful applications will be required to submit proof of expenditure no later than 3 months after the project completion date. Failure to so will result in <u>clawback</u> of funding. You agree to this term by submitting the application.

By submitting this form, you agree that we will process your data in line with our privacy notice, which can be accessed via our website www.prescot-tc.gov.uk.

