

CHORLEY 3 TIER LIAISON

WEDNESDAY, 17TH SEPTEMBER 2014, 6.30 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBER, TOWN HALL, CHORLEY

AGENDA

APOLOGIES

1 **WELCOME BY THE CHAIR**

2 **MINUTES OF MEETING WEDNESDAY, 16 JULY 2014 OF CHORLEY
3 TIER LIAISON**

(Pages 7 - 12)

Please note the information requested at the last meeting was emailed out as one pack of information in August.

The information can be accessed here:
<https://democracy.chorley.gov.uk/documents/b11742/Information%20requested%20at%20the%20meeting%2016th-Jul-2014%2018.30%20Chorley%203%20Tier%20Liaison.pdf?T=9>

3 **ITEM REQUESTED AT THE LAST MEETING: FEEDBACK FROM THE FIRST MEETING**

The feedback received about the first meeting was as follows:

“The meeting worked well. I am quite happy with the changes”.

“As it was my first 3 Tier Liaison (or any of its predecessors), I've nothing really to compare it against. As for the meeting itself, I thought it worked quite well. I think the Parish Representatives were given enough time to speak if they wished and the same for Councillors”.

“I was quite with the way the meeting ran and at present would not have any thoughts about changes”.

“Generally I thought the meeting worked well. What was apparent is that it will need strong chairmanship in order to keep a good time discipline. I am a little concerned about the public questions element in which any matters can apparently be raised. I think it would be preferable if any public questions could be restricted or related to agenda items. I can understand the objective of trying to raise the level of the meeting to a more ‘strategic’ view than the previous parish liaison meetings but I think it needs to be appreciated that those of us at parish level are not always aware of all the issues associated with a particular policy or proposal and therefore can only have a limited input to the debate”.

4 **QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE FORUM AND THE PUBLIC**

In order to allow members of the Forum and members of the public to raise issues of local concern, a period of 20 minutes has been set aside.

A member of the public may speak for no more than 3 minutes. Members of the public are not required to give notice of the issue they intend to raise, although it is expected in the case of service issues that the appropriate mechanisms for resolving the issue have been explored.

Where a question is raised which cannot be answered at the Forum, a record will be kept by officers supporting the Forum and it will be responded to via the appropriate mechanism.

5 **ITEM REQUESTED AT THE LAST MEETING: PROJECTED INTAKES TO RECEPTION**

(Pages 13 - 14)

A document showing the projected intakes to reception is enclosed. This was emailed out in August.

Please note an officer from this LCC service will not be present for this item, but a note will be made of any questions raised at the meeting and responses will be sent out after the meeting.

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ITEM REQUESTED AT THE LAST MEETING: TRAFFIC ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN

(Pages 15 - 68)

A guide on the LCC Traffic Asset Management Plan is enclosed, along with the Plan itself.

This sets out the County Council's investment strategy in respect of maintenance of its transport assets for the period 2015-2030 and defines investment priorities for maintenance during the life of the plan.

County Councillor Fillis (Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport) will present this item.

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ITEM FROM THE WORK PROGRAMME: SPICE TIME CREDITS

Spice and the Young Foundation are working with Lancashire County Council and Chorley Council to introduce Time Credits to Lancashire. Time Credits are a way of enabling local people to make a difference in their communities and local public services. The scheme in Lancashire was launched in September in Chorley, and has a broad health and social care focus.

Time credits are a way of thanking people for the time that they give to their local community. If a person gives 1 hour of time to a community organization, they earn 1 time credit that can be spent on a range of activities in the local area for example, an adult learning course, a museum visit, a physiotherapy session or a show at the local theatre.

As well as recognizing the value of individual contribution, Time Credits strengthens and builds communities by engaging those who may not normally get very involved in their local area. The scheme encourages people to be involved in different ways and it helps to build local networks, by linking community groups, organizations and individuals.

Further information can be found here:
<http://chorley.gov.uk/Pages/AtoZ/Lancashire-Time-Credits.aspx>

Angela Barrago, Locality Facilitator, Chorley will give a short presentation (10 minutes).

8 **ITEM FROM THE WORK PROGRAMME: ADOPTIONS OF ESTATES**

(Pages 69 - 70)

An update from Lancashire County Council is enclosed.

Section 38 is a highways adoption agreement. Under section 38 of the Highways Act 1980, a local highway authority can enter into a legal agreement with a developer to adopt a highway provided the highway has been constructed to a specified standard and to the satisfaction of the local highway authority.

County Councillor Fillis (Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport) will present this item.

Information from Chorley Council:

Chorley Council has established/appointed the role of Development Implementation Co-ordinator effective July 2014 which will primarily be responsible for co-ordinating the delivery of S106 planning obligation, responsibility for the administration and management of the Community Infrastructure Levy notices and collection and working with developers and partners to ensure a proper and effective adoption program can take place in a timely manner.

9 **ITEM REQUESTED BY HEAPEY PARISH COUNCIL**

(Pages 71 - 92)

Gritting and snow in rural areas and a better system for reporting. The suggestion for a service improvement is for the County Councillors to have details of the on-call highways officer so that they can report any out of hours issues. The Parishes could then report their issues to their respective County Councillor.

Response from Lancashire County Council:

We expect that a 2014/15 version will be produced soon but it will not change dramatically from the attached document.

Response from Chorley Council:

The Council works closely with LCC but all our gritting is on Council owned land, mainly car parks.

The Council will, however, assist LCC and work together with them during periods of severe winter weather.

ITEM REQUESTED BY CHARNOCK RICHARD PARISH COUNCIL

Are the Borough Council or Lancashire County Council providing any, or budgeting for, or hoping to restore, any funding for the refurbishment of Village Halls or Community Buildings, especially in deprived rural areas, in the 2015/2016 financial years?

Response from Lancashire County Council:

Local Member Grant:

Each County Councillor has a budget of £2,000 per year to award under the Local Member Grants scheme. They can award funding to groups that benefit residents from within their electoral division. This funding is available for a wide variety of projects and can include simple refurbishments to buildings where there is benefit to community groups.

Unfortunately Parish or Town Councils are not eligible to apply for these grants as they are statutory in nature, however, local community groups or organisations are able to submit applications. This scheme is open all year round for applications and decisions are normally available within a few weeks, it is anticipated that the scheme will be open for applications in 2015/16.

Local Initiative Fund:

In addition to the Local Member Grants Scheme we also have the Local Initiative Fund (LIF). The LIF scheme, is a more targeted way of providing medium-sized grants to voluntary, community and faith sector groups that carry out important work to help communities across Lancashire. Third sector groups/organisations in Lancashire can apply for grants between £1,000 to £5,000 to support three of the council's priorities which are:

- Improved outcomes for families (total family)
- Skills and employment
- Providing activities and programmes for young people aged 12 – 19 (up to 25 for young people with learning difficulties or disabilities)

Grants for refurbishment work have been granted under this scheme in the past whereby the overall project aims to support one of the above three priorities. Please note this scheme is not currently open for applications as the round has already taken place this year, there may be a round in a couple of the districts later on in the year. It is anticipated that the scheme will be open for applications in 2015/16.

Further information on these schemes can be found on our website <http://new.lancashire.gov.uk/benefits-and-grants/grants-and-funding.aspx> or parish and town councils are welcome to contact the Grants Team on 01772 530818 to discuss further.

Lancashire County Council Champion Funding:

Lancashire County Council has a number of County Councillor Champions, including a Parish Champion. Each Champion is allocated a sum of £10,000 per annum for use at their discretion to finance their activities including the payment of a grant or loan to individuals and outside bodies and organisations within the scope of their remit. More information can be found at:

<http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/corporate/web/?siteid=6472&pageid=38603#anchor188213>

Response from Chorley Council:

The Council is not aware of anything that is as specific and unique as this request.

11 **ITEM REQUESTED BY ECCLESTON PARISH COUNCIL**

(Pages 93 - 96)

Clarification of the interpretation of Policy HS3: Private Residential Garden Development of the Chorley Local Plan 2012 - 2026 by the LPA as planning applications which, on the face of it, appear contrary to Policy HS3, have been approved by the LPA.

Response from Chorley Council:

A response is enclosed with the agenda pack.

12 **ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS**

(Pages 97 - 98)

A schedule setting out the deadlines for items to be requested on the agenda for the Chorley 3 Tier Liaison is enclosed.

13 **ANY URGENT BUSINESS PREVIOUSLY AGREED WITH THE CHAIR**

Yours sincerely



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Chair of the Chorley 3 Tier Liaison

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