

MINUTES OF CHORLEY LIAISON

MEETING DATE Wednesday, 19 July 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillor Gordon France (Eastern Parishes) (Chair), Councillor Kim Snape (Chorley Rural East, LCC) (Vice-Chair),
Lancashire County Councillors: Steve Holgate (Chorley Central) and Aidy Riggott (Euxton, Buckshaw & Astley),
Chorley Borough Councillors (Chairs of Neighbourhood Area Meetings): Alistair Morwood (Chorley Town East), Anthony Gee (Chorley Town West) and Eric Bell (Clayton and Whittle)
Town and Parish Councillors: Timothy Summers (Adlington), Jane Curley (Anglezarke), Ian Horsfield (Anderton), Barbara Farbon (Bretherton), Alan Cornwell (Charnock Richard), Ray Ormston (Clayton-Le-Woods), Charlie Bromilow (Clayton-Le-Woods), Jean Cronshaw (Clayton-Le-Woods), Graham Ashworth (Heath Charnock), Christine Bailey (Clerk to Heath Charnock), Malcolm Allen (Heapey), Peter Lloyd (Heskin), Mervyn Holden (Heskin), Marel Urry (Hoghton) and Steven Perry (Withnell)

OFFICERS: Jamie Carson (Director (Early Intervention and Support)), Mark Lester (Director (Business, Development and Growth)), Martin Sample (Private Sector Housing Officer) and Ruth Rimmington (Democratic and Member Services Officer)

APOLOGIES: Lancashire County Councillors: Julia Berry (Chorley South) and Andrew Snowden (Hoghton with Wheelton)
Chorley Borough Councillors: Graham Dunn (Southeast Parishes), Danny Gee (Euxton, Astley and Buckshaw), Alan Whittaker (Southern Parishes) and Alistair Bradley (Chorley Town)
Town and Parish Councillors: Laura Lennox (Astley Village Parish Councillor), John Taylor (Charnock Richard) and Terry Dickenson (Wheelton)

17.115 Welcome by the Chair

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

17.116 Minutes of meeting Wednesday, 15 March 2017 of Chorley Liaison

AGREED – That the minutes of the last meeting held on 15 March 2017 be confirmed as a correct record.

Jamie Carson, Director (Early Intervention and Support), advised that requested at 17.113 "Questions from Members of the Liaison and the public" ABL Health had been requested to promote their weight management services.

Jamie Carson, Director (Early Intervention and Support), updated on the Social Isolation item from Adlington Town Council: 17.110. A number of Town and Parish Councils had already responded and a request had been received to extend the deadline to respond which had been agreed. Jamie will write to the clerks with further details and the potential to work with a number of Parishes on this project. It was noted that the Chorley Consolidated Charities might be able to give some assistance and it was AGREED that it would be useful to have further information about the charity.

17.117 Update on Primrose Gardens

Mark Lester, Director (Business, Development and Growth), gave a presentation, which can be found <https://democracy.chorley.gov.uk/documents/s78037/Primrose%20Gardens%20Retirement%20Living%20Powerpoint%20July%202017.pdf> here:

In response to queries Mark noted that CCTV provision will link up with the Town Centre CCTV. The Allocations Policy will be drafted shortly, and will consider local need and priority. One guest room will be available for people visiting family and friends at the development.

There will be 46 car parking spaces available within the development.

The Chair thanked Mark for the presentation and AGREED that further updates be brought to the meeting.

17.118 Services for customers requiring home adaptations

Martin Sample, Housing Team Leader (Private Sector), gave a short presentation, which can be found <https://democracy.chorley.gov.uk/documents/s78038/19%2007%2017%20Chorley%20Liaison%20on%20Home%20Adaptation%20services.pdf> here:

Martin confirmed that Disabled Facilities Grant (DFG) are no longer means tested.

The Chair thanked Martin for the presentation.

17.119 Item requested by Heath Charnock Parish Council

Heath Charnock Parish Council expressed concerns in previous years and in its recent meetings about access for residents, particularly living on or close to Babylon Lane, where the Lane was closed with access permitted during the Ironman Race at safe times. This caused a lot of disruption for local residents and anxiety for older people who need access for family and carers to support them. Given the need to close Babylon Lane, the Parish Council believes the question of the appropriateness of the route and safety requirements should be considered again for future races from 2018 onwards.

Representatives from other Town and Parish Councils expressed concern about the Ironman event and it was AGREED that feedback on the event be requested from all of the Town and Parish Councils and that a response be agreed at the next meeting to be sent to Ironman.

17.120 Item requested by Adlington Town Council

Adlington Town Council request that Parkwise enforcement is increased in Adlington to reduce the amount of nuisance parking occurring in the village, and that visits are made at all times of day particularly when the village is at its busiest (school times for example). Particular problems were being experienced by disabled residents as access through the village for pedestrians was being restricted by inconsiderate and dangerous parking.

Councillor Kim Snape advised that she had received correspondence from Lancashire County Council stating that the areas where the double yellow lines needed to be repainted will be renewed and that, following this, enforcement will commence.

It was suggested that incidents of inconsiderate parking were logged by calling 101.

Adlington Town Council questioned why it took a long time for any action to be taken when potentially dangerous problems were reported to Lancashire County Highways. A recent example of this was subsidence which had appeared in the pavement in the centre of the village. Initially reported 5 June, two cones had appeared on 20 June.

Councillor Kim Snape advised that the subsidence had now been repaired and undertook to check what the response times ought to be.

17.121 Item requested by Croston Parish Council - Traffic Issues

No representative from Croston attended the meeting, but the Chair advised that the Parish Council had queried what, if anything, could be done to help alleviate perceived problems with speeding traffic through villages and HGV's using roads which were no longer suitable.

A formal response would be requested from Lancashire County Council.

17.122 Questions from Members of the Liaison and the public

Ian Horsfield, Anderton, queried progress on the development of funding models for the provision of services. Jamie Carson advised that these were on hold at the moment and that the Council had met with LCC the previous week. The Chorley Council funding arrangements for the subsidised bus services would be considered by the Executive shortly. It was AGREED that an item on funding be considered at the next meeting.

Steven Perry, Withnell, advised that some recycling bins were overflowing. Jamie requested that any missed collections be reported to the contact centre (contact@chorley.gov.uk, 01257 515151 or via the My Account function on the Council's website).

Marel Urry queried progress on a reduction in the speed limit on Hoghton Lane. This would be taken up with LCC.

It was noted that Cabinet report had been published relating to the closure of Libraries within Lancashire. The details can be found here: <http://council.lancashire.gov.uk/mglssueHistoryHome.aspx?Id=63888>

17.123 Items for Future Meetings

The next meeting would be held on Wednesday, 18 October 2017. Any requests for items should be sent to Ruth Rimmington (ruth.rimmington@chorley.gov.uk or 01257 515118) by Friday, 29 September.

17.124 Any urgent business previously agreed with the Chair

Jamie Carson, Director (Early Intervention and Support), advised that Chorley Council had launched a consultation on the introduction of Public Space Protection Orders (PSPO) for the Town Centre and Coppull. The PSPO is a new power that will replace the Designated Public Places Order (DPPO) creating more flexibility within the Order so that ASB can be tackled more effectively. The consultation will be extended to ensure that all Town and Parish Councils can respond.

Chair

Date