Minutes of Parish Councils' Liaison Committee

Meeting Date: Thursday, 18 June 2015, starting at 6.30pm. Present: David Peat (from Agenda item 1) (Chairman)

Councillors:

P Ainsworth G Scott
I Brown R Sherras
P Dowson D Taylor
L Graves N C Walsh

T Hill M Robinson I Sayers

Parish Representatives:

D Bland Aighton, Bailey & Chaigley

P Dumon Barrow

H Fortune Bolton-by-Bowland, Gisburn Forest & Sawley M Walsh Bolton-by-Bowland, Gisburn Forest & Sawley

P Brown Chipping
A Schofield Clayton-le-Dale

M Fenton Clitheroe
P Robinson Clitheroe
S Hopwood Dutton

K Winstanley Forest of Bowland (Higher Division)

D Walters
P Entwistle
G James
G James
G B B Murtagh
J Bennett
A Steer
Gisburn
Grindleton
Grindleton
Longridge
Mellor
Newton
Osbaldeston

S Rosthorn Paythorne & Newsholme

E Law-Riding Ribchester

R Whittaker Rimington & Middop

J Shorter Sabden A Haworth Sabden P Boyes Salesbury D Ashe Salesbury R Hirst Simonstone H D Parker Waddington A Bristol West Bradford T Perry West Bradford J Bremner Wilpshire Wiswell M Robinson

In attendance: Chief Executive, Head of Regeneration and Housing, Head of Environmental Services, Waste Management Officer.

96 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED: That Parish Councillor David Peat (Simonstone) be appointed as Chairman of

this Committee for 2015/16.

97 APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED: That Councillor Doreen Taylor be appointed as Vice Chairman of this Committee

for 2015/16.

98 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence from the meeting were submitted on behalf of Borough Councillor(s) David Smith and from the following Parish Representatives:

H Douglas Chatburn T Hoyle Dinckley R Assheton Downham Longridge M Everett Ribchester A Ormand G Melloy Simonstone J Brown Whalley M Highton Whalley

99 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 26 March 2015 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

100 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interests.

101 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

a) Minute 703

The Chairman asked who was representing the Committee on the Pendle Hill Landscape Partnership. It was agreed to write to Parishes in the Pendle Hill area asking for a volunteer.

b) Minute 705

The Chief Executive updated Committee on the Tour of Britain.

c) Minute 707

The Head of Regeneration and Housing referred to Minute 707 and said the Geographical Police Inspector would attend the next meeting of this Committee.

102 PRESENTATION BY HEAD OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

At the meeting of Parish Council Liaison Committee in March 2015, Committee had requested the Head of Environmental Health Services be asked to attend a meeting to explain the work of the Dog Wardens, prosecutions, fixed penalty notices and Dog Control Orders.

James Russell, Head of Environmental Services gave a brief presentation on the Dog Warden Service, stray dogs, dog fouling, dog bins and Dog Control Orders. Members asked a number of questions particularly relating to the siting of dog bins.

RESOLVED: That Committee thank James Russell for his presentation.

103 PRESENTATION BY THE WASTE MANAGEMENT OFFICER

At the meeting of Parish Council Liaison Committee in March 2015 Committee had requested the Waste Management Officer be asked to attend a meeting to explain how the Council's recycling process operates.

Peter McGeorge, the Waste Management Officer, gave the background to waste collection in the Ribble Valley. He explained the role of the Council as Waste Collection Authority and the County Council who are the Waste Disposal Authority. He explained which waste streams were recycled and how the recycling system worked including the Transfer Station in Clitheroe and the Waste Treatment Plant at Farrington in Leyland.

Peter offered to arrange a tour of the Farrington Plant if Parish Representatives were interested

RESOLVED: Committee thank Peter for his presentation and thought the invitation to tour Farrington was an excellent idea.

104 WITHDRAWAL OF BUS SERVICES "CROSS BOUNDARY" IN LANCASHIRE

A briefing note on the withdrawal of Cross Boundary bus service financial contribution from Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council was circulated for information. This was effective from 1 April 2015 and as a result from 26 July 2015 the LCC would be required to revise subsidised local bus services serving Blackburn to maintain the financial support within the available budgets, whilst minimising the impact for Lancashire residents.

The note outlined the current position and the implications of the reduction in funding to specific bus services.

Councillor Sayers updated the meeting regarding discussions between County Councillor Fillis and the Little Green Bus Company.

They had both offered to come to the meeting in October to discuss suggestions on how the Little Green buses could be used to support local residents' transport needs.

RESOLVED: That Committee ask County Councillor Fillis and Donna Atkinson from Little Green Bus Company to come to the October meeting.

105 MATTERS BROUGHT FORWARD BY PARISH COUNCILS

a) War Memorials

The Chairman raised the issue of the condition of War Memorials and the grants potentially available. Committee agreed to bring to a future meeting.

b) 'A' Boards

The issue of the preponderance of 'A' boards on the A59 was raised. The Head of Regeneration and Housing promised to look into the problem and discuss with the Council's Enforcement Officers.

c) Cosy Homes

The Head of Regeneration and Housing referred to the Cosy Homes Project and insulation opportunities.

106 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The Chairman reported that the next meeting would be at 6.30pm on Thursday, 8 September 2015.

The meeting closed at 8.00pm.

If you have any queries on these minutes please contact Colin Hirst (414503).