

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BILLINGTON AND LANGHO PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY 31ST OCTOBER 2016 AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE, LANGHO.**

PRESENT

Parish councillors Brian Haworth, Tony Austin, Martin Hincks, Michael Collins, Heather McCarthy and CC Alan Schofield

ITEM 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were apologies for absence from John Aspen, John Green and Frank Havard

ITEM 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- a) Register of Interests – Councillors were reminded of the need to update their register of interests.
- b) No members disclosed any personal or prejudicial interests in any matter to be discussed at the meeting.

ITEM 3 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 26TH SEPTEMBER 2016

Minutes of the meeting held on 26th September 2016 were signed as a true record.

ITEM 4 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public attended, no items were discussed

ITEM 5 PLAYGROUNDS

- 1) Gary Walton to be asked to replace the bins
- 2) Rospa – items raised in the Rospa report are to be completed over the coming months
- 3) PC Hincks has received a quote for Safety Surfaces on Langho playfields, this has been accepted

ITEM 6 ACCOUNTS

It was resolved to approve the following accounts for payment,

C Walton Lengthsman	£552.58
Tracey McCarney Clerks Salary	£416.66
Viking Direct	£38.38
Royal British Legion	£100.00
Nurture Landscapes	£122.80

The October expenditure was circulated

ITEM 7 PLANNING

3/2016/0906 27 Calder Ave No Objections

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Elker Developments Limited

The Parish Council objects due to concerns about the additional volume of traffic that would be using Elker Lane. This road is already heavily congested during school hours and the number of vehicles that park on the road result in the road becoming single track. This development would result in a much higher volume of traffic which would only add to the problems already being caused for local residents. In addition the development would lead to a loss of green field sites

The application is a much bigger development than the Parish Council were lead to believe would be developed at a meeting between the Parish Council and Avalon Town Planning Limited

The Parish Council feels there should be provision within the plan for the development of infrastructure such as a bus turning area, and the provision on a bus route through the site.

ITEM 8 **HIGHWAYS**

1. Northcote Road, Langho, BB6 8BE water and drainage issue. CC A Schofield has lodged a complaint regarding this. The work is not completed.
2. Missing Lighting Column, Northcote Road following a column being knocked down, Highways have made it electrically safe and will replace the column. PC Hincks has been liaising with Highways regarding this.
3. CC A Schofield – Longworth Road Residents have, via Clitheroe Rotary Club and the Community Fund at Aviva submitted a bid for improving the lighting on Longworth Road. Voters are needed to enable this project to win the funding needed. The link to vote is at <https://community-fund.aviva.co.uk/voting/project/view/16-3472> 'Longworth Road Community Improvements'
4. Whinney Lane, CC A Schofield has been dealing with issues regarding the poor state of the road surface, the lack of drainage and the request to make this a 20mph zone.

ITEM 9 **OFFICERS REPORTS**

CC A Schofield has contacted Alan Boyer regarding bins, litter and dog waste, not being emptied at the top of Whalley Road (adjacent to the railway bridge) and Longworth Road at the end of the footpath, one of these bins is also reported as damaged.

Billington Poors Charity Tony Austin has traced The Reverend David Knoblet and he will sign any relevant documents

Tony Austin will write about the boundaries issues. Mr Austin supplied Homewise Leaflets for distribution.

BT phone boxes – the Parish Council is to write to object to the removal of public payphones in the parish. The objection is based on the usage of the payphones and the lack of and poor mobile phone reception in the parish

ITEM 10 **CORRESPONDANCE**

1. RVBC details of LCC Elections 2017
2. R.V.B.C Electoral review briefing
3. Nigel Evans re boundary changes

4. Best Kept Village results
5. Auditors report
6. BT Payphone adoption
7. RVBC Boundary changes

DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

The next meeting will be held on Monday 28th November 2016

The meeting closed at 9.10pm

Chairman _____

Date _____