

**MINUTES** of the Council Meeting held 16 March 2017 at 7.15 pm at The Annexe, Euxton PC Community Centre, Wigan Road, Euxton.

<u>Present</u>	Cllr J Bamber (Vice Chair)	Cllr E Jones	Cllr G Rypel
	Cllr M Bamber	Cllr A Platt	Cllr V Thornhill
	Cllr M Jarnell	Cllr K Reed (Chairman)	Cllr H Tune <small>after item 4</small>
	Cllr N Hall	Cllr A Reed	
	Cllr C Jones	Cllr A Riggott	

Members of the public 4

1. Apologies Cllrs A Caughey, J Caughey, P Fellows, J Matson, S Wellerd

2. Declarations of Interest

Cllr Platt declared a pecuniary interest in items forming part of agenda items 6.1 as a relative of an employee.

3. Minutes of Council Meetings

**Resolved:** Minutes of the Council Meeting on 16 February 2017 were agreed to be an accurate record, and signed by the Chairman.

It was proposed that item 7.1 be moved to the end of the meeting, in the private section due to the sensitive information which needed to be discussed.

**Resolved:** Council agreed to move item 7.1 to the end of the meeting.

4. Statutory Business

4.1 Councillor vacancies – consider to co-opt an applicant from the three applicants

**Resolved:** Council voted by ballot for Mrs Helen Tune to be co-opted to the Council.

Mrs Tune signed the declaration and joined the meeting.

Council thanked all the other applicants, three of which had attended the meeting.

4.2 Planning

Cllr Platt declared a pecuniary interest in application 17/00198/FULHH.

Council was updated on the Gleadhill decision, the discussions and suggested conditions for the application. There was discussion about greenbelt land and how the application may develop, and the need to monitor progress of the self-build applications.

Balshaw Lane primary expansion was passed and there was not much mention at the meeting of the parking problems.

5. Public Participation - Residents and Police Matters

**Resolved:** Council resolved to suspend standing orders.

Michelle Graham from the Youth Zone organisation in Chorley ‘Inspire’ attended and informed the Council of the project, details of how it may be set up and run.

A resident had contacted a Councillor regarding projects from the newsletter, who did say he would attend tonight, but hadn’t.

Council had been contacted by four residents asking about the council tax rise and Councillors had been supplied details of these contacts.

**Resolved:** Council resolved to restore standing orders.

## 6. Financial Items

### 6.1 Approve Expenditures

Councillors asked if the contract for the Millennium Green paths had come in as per the quotations. They had but further works had been added whilst the works were taking place, a diversion of the path because of tree roots, creating a longer length and, further decking/bridge boards because of the extent of the standing water. The raised edges by the paths will be monitored.

Members discussed the decision in January to stop using petty cash made and if it was required. This will be monitored until after August.

**Resolved:** Council approved the expenditures contained in report 1.

<b>Creditor</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Total £</b>
Keep Britain Tidy	Posters	5.00
Tesco	Batteries for Defib Trainer	9.99
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Easy Websites	SO for website	24.00
BT	Telephone services	106.12
Chorley Council	Land lease	6.00
Paper Rabbit	Printing of March newsletter	857.00
DWG NW Ltd	Repairs on Millennium Green bridge	260.00
DWG NW Ltd	Disabled access excl handrail on Millennium Green	4020.00
DWG NW Ltd	Disabled access handrail on Millennium Green	2000.00
E-on	Electricity at pavilion	85.33
Sam Croniken	Tree trimming at Greenside	600.00
Employee 1	Reimbursements	96.58
Employees	Salaries total for March 2017	4658.55
PrintQuarter	Prints for DC meeting, Gleadhill	10.50
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### 6.2 Receive financial reports 1, 3 & 4

**Resolved:** Reports were received.

Council were supplied with an updated CIL report this is also displayed on the website.

### 6.3 Disposal of Asset

**Resolved:** Council agreed to sell the large trailer. Clerk to get a guide price range. Clerk to advertise the Trailer for sealed bids, over the guide price obtained, with a closing date of 30 March.

## 7. Sealing of Documents

### 7.2 Spice Time Credits proposal to sign up to the Time Credits scheme

**Resolved:** Council agreed to signs up for this scheme and begin offering Time Credits to volunteers.

## 8. Honouring Residents with Outstanding Achievements

**Resolved:**

- Council agreed to create a Freeman of Euxton scheme, with certificate and presentation event.
- Council agreed Mr Clarke and Mr Anderton will be nominated at a Special meeting of the Council in April for 'Freeman of Euxton'.
- Council agreed to have a Volunteer nomination scheme, to be run through the newsletter with certificate and relevant gift.

9. Wikipedia Euxton Entry

**Resolved:** Council agreed Cllr Thornhill will re-write the entry for Euxton, circulate and pass to Clerk to submit changes on behalf of the Council to the website.

10. Committee Updates

All Purposes Committee – Chair reported on progress of projects.

Euxton Library Working Group – Chair reported following the first community meeting which agreed to set up a 'Friends of Euxton Library' group through LCC and will now proceed to register and get a bank account. Members of the Coppull and Adlington friends groups are to be invited to see if they can assist Euxton's new group.

Liaison Forum – Chair updated the meeting of all the subjects raised including grey bin queries.

The Big Lunch article in the newsletter was updated on by Cllr Jarnell, the organisation has now joined forces with the Jo Cox tackling loneliness campaign, AGE UK and Tesco and is now to be called the Big Get Together. This is to go on the agenda for April meeting to arrange details. Event is in June on the Millennium Green.

11. Matters for information

A Councillor raised that she had been approached by residents about the newsletter photo choices. There was much discussion about active committees appearing more often because they have results to let the public know about.

**Resolved:** Council agreed to extend the meeting past 9.30 pm.

The Chairman declared the public part of the meeting closed.