
Planning and Footpaths Committee
Wednesday 6th September 2023 at The Interchange Building, Station
Approach, Burscough starting at 7pm

Present

Cllr Bailey Chairman
Cllr Crawford
Cllr Kennedy
Cllr Price
Cllr Sargent
Sheila Gill Deputy Clerk

Minutes

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| <p>1. Welcome. The Chairman opened the meeting with a warm welcome, hoping the August break had been enjoyable for everyone. Attendees were informed of the fire evacuation procedure.</p> <p>2. Apologies for Absence. Cllr Horsley.</p> <p>3. Disclosure of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interest. None</p> <p>4. Minutes of previous Meeting of 5th July 2023 The minutes were agreed as a true record of the meeting dated 5th July 2023 and were proposed by Cllr Price and seconded by Cllr Crawford, with a unanimous vote.</p> <p>5. Adjournment for comments from County and Borough Councillors. None</p> <p>6. Adjournment for Residents Points of Interest. No resident's present but issues were raised via e-mails and Councillor's on the resident's behalf</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Following on from previous meeting Michael Dawson had identified 3 x boundary marker stones. It was agreed that these should be preserved and have a record of the where they are situated. Action:- Clerk to correspond with Jenny Tunney Conservation Officer WLBC to enquire if it was possible for the stones to be listed, and how this could be achieved• Regarding the flood issues in the residential property garden in Orrell Lane, the group was informed that the resident is now going down the legal route to get the issue sorted. | |
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- Cllr Derelli asked for permission to invite Friends of the Earth to give a presentation at a Planning Group meeting. This was because the Friends of the Earth monthly meeting clashed with our Town Council meeting each month. All Town Councillors would be invited to the meeting for the presentation, not just the planning group Councillors. There were no objections to this. **Action: - Cllr Derelli to arrange invitation to Friends of the Earth.**
- Cllr Horsley had received a phone call from a resident stating that the footpath from Red Cat Lane (opp Moss Nook) to the main road is still overgrown even though it was reported a month ago. **Action: - Clerk to contact M Winnard to arrange for it to be cleared.**
- LCC/2023/0026 – Change of agricultural land to Sui Generis, to enable the operation of a waste management/skip hire recycling yard on the land bounded by Martin Lane & Gorst Lane. It will be for up to 60 mini skips(20 tonne) to be emptied /sorted and recycled into 3 large skips (40 tonne) skips. This will generate heavy goods vehicles onto minor roads with disregard for weight limits/safety issues and also safety of pedestrians & cyclists on the surrounding minor roads and canal bridges. The access to the site is also of great concern. The application only states non-hazardous waste but how will this be monitored to prevent members of the public who will be filling the smaller skips at their home address. The Town Council has not received notification of this application. **Action: - Cllr Bailey to contact LCC Planning Officer Robert Hope and County Councillor Eddie Pope with our concerns.**

7. **Comments Burscough Flood Group**

None

8. **Discuss Planning Applications:**

2023/0743/PNH– 9 Manor Gardens – **No objection noted.**

2023/0692/FUL – The Old Bakery, 57B Liverpool Rd North – **No objection noted**

9. **Discuss Commenting on Liverpool City Region & West Lancs Recreation Mitigation**

Burscough does not have a coastline, therefore the form will be aimed at people from this area who will be visiting the coast. Individual Councillors who are visiting the coast should look at/complete the form as an individual

10 **Urgent Planning or Footpath Matters**

Land to west of Tollgate Road is being prepared for a Fireworks/Funfair event. Is this a one-off event because there has been a lot of work preparing the site? If not a one off how many events and how often? Does it require planning permission, Permits for fireworks, funfair and event/alcohol/food/music licences etc? **Action: - Clerk to contact WLBC to report the above issues**

Abbey Lane Development

The development has removed the footpath along the A59 opposite the Bull & Dog Pub. Is it going to be re-instated? Has the Japanese knotweed which was along the boundary of the site on the corner of Abbey Lane and A59 been treated? **Action: - Clerk to contact WLBC to report the above issues.**

Under the new Boundary changes implemented by WLBC the Planning Applications weekly lists now have the ward 'Burscough Bridge & Rufford Ward', this now includes

applications from Burscough, Rufford & Lathom. It has been agreed that until further notice Burscough Town Council will only deal with applications specifically in Burscough and leave Rufford & Lathom for their respective Parish Councils. **Action: - Cllr Bailey to arrange a meeting with Lathom and Rufford Parish councils to agree how to deal with the applications under the new boundary changes.**

Meeting Closed 8.30pm

Date of next meeting 4th October 2023 at The Interchange Building, Station Approach, starting at 7pm.

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