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**Planning and Footpaths Committee**  
**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2023 at The Interchange Building, Station Approach,**  
**Burscough starting at 7pm**

**Minutes**

**Present**

Cllr G Sargent Vice Chairman  
Cllr S Bradley  
Cllr J Horsley  
Cllr B Kennedy  
Cllr M Price  
Jackie Maguire Clerk

1.	<b>Welcome.</b> The Vice Chairman opened the November meeting and reminded all attendees of the fire evacuation procedure.
2.	<b>Apologies for Absence.</b> Cllr's Bailey and Crawford.
3.	<b>Disclosure of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interest.</b> Cllr Price Non-Pecuniary - interest Item 7 residents' points of interest on the agenda.
4.	<b>Presentation From Don Naylor Friends of the Earth Liverpool.</b> Don Naylor received a warm welcome from the Committee provided a handout and raised the following points: - <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Hynet is supported by the UK Government, proposing new productions of hydrogen for use in both industry and homes in the UK. Hydrogen is produced from fossil fuels which is made from decomposing plants and animals, these fuels are found in the Earth's crust and contain carbon and hydrogen, which can be burned for energy. Coal, oil and natural gas are examples of fossil fuels.</li><li>• Work continues in Liverpool Bay, burning off unused gasses, with a pipeline pumping into Ellesmere Port through a pipeline under the sea. As a consequence of this work tar and oil has been washed up on some of the northwest beaches. The pipeline is new and carries CO2 through a new pipeline under the Dee Estuary, with public funding financing this work.</li><li>• Hynet is in partnership with global fossil fuels, Cadent / British Gas.</li><li>• Further information can be found on the following links: - <a href="https://friendsoftheearth.uk/climate/whats-climate-action-plan-and-can-it-help-your-area">https://friendsoftheearth.uk/climate/whats-climate-action-plan-and-can-it-help-your-area</a> <a href="https://friendsoftheearth.uk">https://friendsoftheearth.uk</a></li></ul>

5.	<p><b>Minutes of previous Meeting of 4<sup>th</sup> October 2023</b> The minutes were agreed as a true record of the meeting dated 4<sup>th</sup> October 2023, were proposed by Cllr Kennedy and seconded by Cllr Price, with a unanimous vote.</p>
6.	<p><b>Adjournment for comments from County and Borough Councillors. (Max 5 mins each)</b> None present.</p>
7.	<p><b>Adjournment for Residents Points of Interest. (Max 5 mins)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Residents attended the meeting and discussed that work had already commenced for planning application LCC/2023/0026 (Change of Agricultural Land to Sui Generis land bounded by Martin and Gorst Lane Burscough) It was noted that the hard standing is to be built on grade 1 agricultural land and is already causing water to runoff into the water course which in turn runs onto Martin Mere Wetlands. It was noted that this this work has not been regulated and there are no regulations stipulated in any information found by the residents, all the information made available informs that this work has not been started and planning permission has not been granted. <b>Action: - Clerk to write to LCC, copying in Cllr Pope and Laura Brough.</b></li> <li>• The Clerk informed that a resident had made contact regarding the sale of her house on Red Cat Lane, there was no movement either way as to the proposed development on Red Cat Lane and this was holding up her house sale. It was suggested by the Committee that the land could be bought and preserved by residents if they raised enough funds through Crowd funding.</li> </ul>
8.	<p><b>Comments Burscough Flood Group (Max 5 mins)</b> None.</p> <p><b>There were no Planning Applications to discuss this month.</b></p>
9.	<p><b>Updates and decisions following previous meeting actions: -</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Action: - Clerk to write to the developer and ask for reimbursement for our bus shelter which is listed on our asset register.</b></li> <li>2. Ormskirk Linear Park – Noted.</li> <li>3. <b>Funfair / Firework Display Action: - Clerk to write to Cllr Fowler and check the present position regarding licences.</b></li> </ol>
10.	<p><b>Consider responses to consultation regarding proposals from LCC to provide speed humps on Orrell Lane.</b> It was agreed to accept the comments provided by Traffic Issues Group, Action: - Clerk to respond to LCC.</p>
11.	<p><b>Urgent Planning Applications</b> Late application 2023/0956/FUL was discussed, it was agreed to defer decision to Natural England.</p> <p>Meeting closed at 8:23pm</p> <p>The next meeting date is the 6<sup>th</sup> December 2023 at the Interchange Building starting at 7pm</p>



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