

Adlington Town Council

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 16 January 2023
in Adlington Library, Railway Road, Adlington commencing at 7.15pm

Present:

Councillors: Cllrs B Speers (Town Mayor), N Buckley (Deputy Mayor), A Robinson, A Rothwell, A Cross, J Lowe, K O'Donnell, P Walkden, S Clewlow and K Snape (from 8pm)

Open Forum: Helen Brown, Chair Albany Academy Trust Board & Mr Peter Mayland, Head Teacher and Alex Roberts, Chorley Council Community Engagement Officer for item 6.9.1 the Food Club.

In Attendance: C Bailey (Clerk)

1. **A declaration of Interest was received from:** Cllr A Rothwell as Chair of Albany Academy's LGC for the Open Forum and item 6.1
2. **Open Forum:** Two issues were discussed with the Town Council:
 - 2.1 Albany Academy's proposed change to its admissions policy from September 2024 to offer up to 15 places to pupils at its Chorley New Road Academy Primary School in Horwich, and
 - 2.2 The need for and the potential to set up an Adlington District Food Club.
3. **Apologies for Absence:** were given on behalf of Cllr Molyneaux
4. **Minutes of the Meeting** of Monday 12 December 2022 were proposed, seconded and signed by the Town Mayor.
5. **Matters arising for information only.** It was noted that:
 - 5.1 The lighting of Adlington War Memorial requires an electricity meter to be installed and the wiring to be connected. Clarification of who will pay for usage will be requested.
6. **Items for Discussion:**
 - 6.1 The proposed changes to Albany Academy's admission's policy will reduce access for children in Adlington and District. It was agreed to inform LCC as the Education Authority and the Academy.
 - 6.2 It was noted that £4k has been secured to staff the weekly Adlington Youth Group session which PCSO Jones continues to attend. It was suggested that local businesses be contacted.
 - 6.3 The Carol Concert was well attended. The raffle and the mayor's box made £405 towards the Town Mayor's Charities.
 - 6.4 The initial proposals for the King's Coronation event were outlined to include a proposed commemorative gift for children attending a primary school or nursery in the District.
 - 6.5 Potential Eastern Parishes Neighbourhood Area Priority Projects for further consideration were: Adlington Youth Group, the proposed Food Club, the two well used benches at the bottom of Babylon Lane and a replacement Adlington entry sign at the Anderton boundary on Chorley Road.
 - 6.6 An application for a GN22 stress test licence to display the floral hanging baskets on 40 lamp posts in the Village will be submitted to LCC for the invoice to be authorised on receipt.
 - 6.7 The Town Council will confirm to LCC that it is satisfied with Chorley Council's current service to clean and maintain land in the village within the public realm.
 - 6.8. The Spring Update edition of the Newsletter will be delayed to be used to advertise the arrangements for the King's Coronation Celebration event. Delivery will need to be in mid-April.
 - 6.9 The Town Mayor agreed three items of urgent business:
 - 6.9.1 Further discussion is required to clarify the practical arrangements, the costs, the project partners, the available funding and how any shortfall might be met before a local Food Club can be set up.
In line with Standing Order 82, and given the discussion of two items during the Open Forum, the Town Council agreed to extend the meeting.
 - 6.9.2 The Town Council will use arial font size 12 and will keep communication short and clear.
 - 6.9.3 The Clerk was asked to close down the duplicate Twitter Account.
7. **Planning**

The Town Council considered:

 - 7.1.1 **22/01298/CLPUD:** Application for a Certificate of Lawfulness for the use of a (C3a) dwelling for a children's home for a maximum of three children, with three carers, two of whom sleep overnight, working on a rota basis (C2) at Adlington Hall Lodge, The Common, Adlington PR7 4DT. Noted

- 7.1.2 22/01299/CTY: Consultation request for application LCC/2022/0064 - Road widening, security fencing, above ground pipework and larger kiosk to that previously approved on land south of Harrisons Farm, Old School Lane, Adlington which Cllr O'Donnell assessed. It was agreed that the proposals will improve access to facilitate current work, should not impinge on any residents and will ease on-going maintenance etc. It was agreed to ask that any disturbed ground is made good and landscaped.
- 7.1.3 **22/00631/FULMAJ**: The amended plan was noted for the erection of 139 no. dwellings, of which 30% will be affordable, together with associated roads, car parking and landscaping works on land adjacent to Rossendale Drive, PR6 9AB.
- 7.2 These two applications were noted and left for neighbours' comments:
22/01313/FULHH: Single storey side/rear extension; pitched roof over existing flat roof to garage and front porch at 49 Sutton Lane, PR6 9PA
22/01289/FULHH: Single extension side/rear (following demolition of existing conservatory) at 50 Lewis Close, PR7 4JU
- 7.3 The arrangements for the Central Lancashire Local Plan public consultation were noted to include a Ward drop-in meeting on 17 January 2023 and an online response required by 24 February 2023.
- 7.4 The offer of advice on Neighbourhood Planning was noted.

8 Finance

- 8.1 The Town Council approved the accounts and budget reports at 30 December 2022 noting the bank error of 0.90 pence which the Town Council agreed to write off at the year-end.
- 8.2 It was agreed to appoint APL Accountants Ltd as Independent Auditors for the preparation of the year-end accounts at 31 March 2023 at £150 plus VAT
- 8.3 The following payments were approved:

Clerk	Administration and financial management January 2023.	£561.17
Clerk	Mileage: 16 miles @ 0.45ppm in December 2022.	£7.20
EE	ATC Clerk's mobile Invoice on 16 January 2023.	£10.70
CPRE	Annual membership renewal received dated 22 December 2022. Increased fee.	£60.00

9. Item for Information only:

- 9.1 The hybrid Chorley Liaison meeting will be held on Wednesday 18 January 2023
- 9.2 The Town Mayor said she would circulate a link to access information from the 2021 Census for Adlington. Cllr Buckley said she would present the data in an infographic.

The meeting closed at 9.30pm