

**CLAYTON-LE-WOODS PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**  
**HELD ON TUESDAY 2ND OCTOBER 2018 AT 7.00PM**  
**AT CHORLEY BUSINESS CENTRE, EUXTON**

**PRESENT:** Councillor M Gallagher (Chair)  
Councillor M Clifford  
Councillor J Cronshaw  
Councillor J Norris  
Councillor G Ormston  
Councillor R Ormston  
Councillor D Rogerson

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mrs TD Morris (Clerk)

|  | <b>ACTION</b> |
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| <p><b>18.09 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN</b></p> <p>Nominations were received for Councillor G Ormston and Councillor M Gallagher. After a vote Councillor M Gallagher was elected as Chair until the parish elections in May 2019.</p> <p>Following their verbal resignations Councillors G Ormston and R Ormston left the meeting.</p> |               |
| <p><b>18.10 APOLOGIES</b></p> <p>Apologies were received from Councillor S Edwards Williams.</p>   |               |
| <p><b>18.11 DECLARATION OF INTEREST</b></p> <p>There was a declaration of Interest from Councillor M Clifford as an associate of the Wildlife Trust.</p>   |               |
| <p><b>18.12 REVIEW OF TERMS OF REFERENCE</b></p> <p>The members reviewed the Terms of Reference and agreed to continue under the delegated rules.</p>  |               |
| <p><b>18.14 APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM MEETING HELD ON 27<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2018</b></p> <p>It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that the minutes held on 27<sup>th</sup> March 2018 were approved as a correct record and were duly signed by the Chair.</p>   |               |

**18.15 MATTERS ARISING**

**Memorial Bench**

It was reported that all the work had been settled with the bench and that it was a great asset to the woodland.

**Leonora Carrington Plaque**

It was reported that the council had permission from the trust to use her art work if we so wished. It was requested that the Project Officer source a plaque and quotations and report back in due course.

PO

**18.06 Silent Soldier/Tommies Installations**

It was noted that the silent soldier on the Preston Road had been bent on a couple of occasions. It was suggested that the silent soldier be relocated on top of the Reservoir Memorial. It was requested that Chorley Council be contacted to review the situation.

Clerk

**18.05 Whittle Spinney Footpaths**

It was noted that Chorley Council had not yet issued the licences and that Councillor M Clifford was in the process of chasing up the issue with Chorley Council. Work would commence once the licences had been signed off.

MC/Clerk

It was requested that the initial quotations be updated as they were over a year old and in the name of Chorley Council.

PO

**18.16 REPORT ON BACK LANE WOODS**

**Annual Tree Condition Survey**

It was reported that the contractor that provided the report stated that it was valid for 3 years. It was requested that the Project Officer check whether that was good practice and report back to the committee in due course.

PO

**Replacement Tree Planting Scheme**

The members discussed the possibility of planting replacement trees as agreed as part of the planning permission granted by Chorley Council. However, it was agreed that the infrastructure of the woods needed to be finalised prior to undertaking any tree planting scheme.

It was requested that the following agencies be contacted to find out whether they would undertake long term woodland management of the woods or sign post the possible agencies:

PO

- Cuerden Valley Trust
- Natural England
- Woodland Trust

- Campaign for Rural England

**Floral Winter Display 2018**

It was proposed that wild primroses could be planted on one of the embankments which would not interfere with the woodland habitat.

It was requested that the Project Officer investigate the cost and that Councillor M Gallagher would liaise with Manor Road School to organise a planting day.

**PO/MG**

**18.17 PARISH GRASS CUTTING CONTRACT 2019/20**

It was reported that it had been difficult to gain quotes for the grass cutting in the previous year. Also, Chorley Council were not willing to bid for the work.

It was requested the Project Officer/Clerk investigate the 2019/20 contract with the Envirocare in the first instance and report back in due course.

**PO/Clerk**

**18.18 PLANS FOR NORTHWEST IN BLOOM 2019**

**Working Group/Planning 2019**

After due discussion it was agreed to hold any plans in abeyance until the after the award ceremony in November.

**Wildflower Meadow**

It was reported that there were four prime sites as recommended by Chorley Council at a cost of around £500 for each site.

It was agreed that the costs be forwarded to the full parish council for approval.

**Clerk**

**New Flowerbeds**

It was agreed that costings for any new flowerbeds be tabled at the next Finance Committee meeting.

**PO**

**18.20 SILENT SOLDIER UPDATE**

**Poppies**

The members were informed about the cost of the lamp post poppies which were noticed by members last year. The cost would be £3.00 per poppy.

It proposed that the parish purchase 100 at a cost of £300.00 and this would be tabled at the next full parish council meeting.

**Clerk**

**Silent Soldier Update**

The Project Officer informed the members that all the six primary schools had arranged where each soldier would be sited and that this would be undertaken by Srtingfellow Ltd over the next couple of weeks.

**18.21 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

No items were deemed confidential.

**18.22 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The date for the next meeting is to be arranged for Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2018 at 8.00pm following on from the Finance Meeting.