

CLITHEROE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on Monday 06 September 2021
In the Council Chamber, Clitheroe Town Hall

PRESENT:- The Town Mayor, Councillor Simon O'Rourke, in the Chair
The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Jenni Schumann
Councillors Ian Brown, Kerry Fletcher, Stewart Fletcher, Mark French,
Gaynor Hibbert, Jonathan Hill, Donna O'Rourke, Mary Robinson,
Town Clerk

Prior to the meeting there was a short presentation by Ms Susie Briggs from the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service encouraging Councillors to publicise the Award in the Ribble Valley

33.21 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

34.21 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

35.21 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Mary Robinson declared an interest in the Agenda item on the Parish Lengthsman in Part II of the Agenda.

36.21 MINUTES

The minutes of the Cockles & Mussels Council Meeting held on 30 April 2021 and the Annual Meeting held on 04 May 2021 were approved. The Minutes of the General Purposes Committee meeting held on 19 July 2021 were noted.

37.21 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Consideration was given to planning applications received for weeks ended 06, 13, 20 & 27 August 2021 and 03 September 2021.

RESOLVED:

- (1) That no objections be raised to the following applications:-
3/2021/0686, 0717, 0772, 0784, 0789, 0875;

- (2) That the Town Council leaves applications 3/2021/0762 and 0869 for determination by Ribble Valley Borough Council as these applications have been considered previously by the Borough Council;
- (3) That the Town Council has no objections to 3/2021/0690 subject to the results of a flood assessment showing no risk of flooding.

38.21 ACCOUNTS PAID JULY AND AUGUST 2021

The Town Clerk submitted details of the accounts paid in July and August 2021 for approval. It was noted that August's expenditure included payment for replacement swings at the Park St play area as well as the expenses incurred for the Last Night of the Proms concert held in early August 2021.

Resolved: THAT the accounts paid in July and August 2021 are approved.

39.21 CIVIC SUNDAY AND REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY 2021

The Town Clerk advised that it had been decided to host a Civic Sunday at St Paul's Church, Low Moor, on 03 October 2021. It would be necessary to employ a traffic management company as road closures would be necessary for the parade.

Arrangements had also begun for Remembrance Sunday on 14 November 2021. It was considered likely that parades and gatherings would once again be permissible for the event so arrangements would continue to be made on that basis, with the proviso that, should H M Government guidelines change, arrangements would also be amended. The Clerk confirmed that she had spoken to Rev Andy Froud about the church's current congregation capacity and had been advised that this was limited

It was agreed that, following a favourable response to the live-streaming of the commemoration last year, the audio company would be requested to live-stream this year's commemoration onto the Town Council Facebook page.

RESOLVED: That arrangements continue to be made for Remembrance Sunday which will include the live-streaming of the commemoration.

40.21 LAST NIGHT OF THE PROMS 2021

The Town Clerk advised that the weather had been appalling on the evening of the Proms concert but that there had been a bigger audience than expected. It was explained that there was nothing which could be done about adverse weather as, even if the event were postponed, inclement weather could happen on the reserve date. Slaidburn Silver Band, the audio company and all the Rotary volunteers had all done a sterling job, especially in the difficult circumstances and the audience, including visiting Mayors, had appeared to enjoy the evening.

41.21 PARISH LENGTHSMAN'S REPORTS

i) General Report

It was noted that the lengthsman had been working on allotments and had worked on preparations for Last Night of the Proms.

