**MINUTES OF THE PARISH MEETING OF LOSTOCK GRALAM PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 2 FEBRUARY 2015 AT ST. JOHN’S CHURCH HALL, LOSTOCK GRALAM**

**Part I - public and press present**

The meeting commenced at 7.30p.m.

**PRESENT:** Parish Councillors M Litton, P Kelly, A McEllin and J Beasant

**IN ATTENDANCE:** L Sandison, Clerk

**ALSO PRESENT:** Cllr M Stocks, C Stockton CWAC, F Dunning CWAC, PCSO P Hambleton, Press and 3 members of the public

### PRESENTATION BY C STOCKTON

C Stockton presented a proposed site layout plan for the Townshend Road play area. Copies of the plan were distributed amongst those present at the meeting.

C Stockton talked about the plan and how everyone’s ideas from the consultation had been pulled together and that the play area would be a mix of traditional equipment like swings but also natural equipment to suit the young and older children of the community.

There will be play equipment which disabled children can use, for example a floor level round-about, making the new play area suitable for all families.

The play area entrance will be relocated to the side of the park making it safer for children to enter and leave the park away from the road side.

### C Stockton talked about the possibility of the local children planting fruit trees and bulbs next year to get the community involved in the new play area.

The play area is to go out to tender with possible work starting in April 2015 with completion sometime in May/June 2015.

One member of the public raised concern as to how much of the park will be suitable for wheel chair bound children. C Stockton advised that there will be a mixture of equipment some of which will be accessible for disabled children.

M Litton also raised concern about the parks perimeter fence to keep dogs out of the play area, also to raise concern that maybe paths leading off onto other walks would not be a good idea as this may also encourage dog walkers into the play area.

### PUBLIC FORUM

### The following comments were made by members of the public:

1. Ms Wood raised concerns about the diggers at the Lostock Triangle and in particular the old playing field (marked Public Open Space) at the bottom of Stubbs Lane. Trees, hills and the old playing field are disappearing.

- The Clerk presented a Land Registry Search showing that Barratt Homes in fact now own the old playing field marked as Public Open Space and as such the Parish Council cannot do anything.

-The Clerk will however look back over old plans to see if the Public Open Space has reduced from the original plans.

-The Clerk also confirmed that a Planning Officer from CWAC recently visited the site over the concerns raised.

1. A resident of Townshend Road raised concern about road safety due to parked vans outside 45 Townshend Road, which appears to be running a garage. The Clerk is to investigate the matter with HM Revenue. Cllr Stocks is also to look into the matter further.
2. The Townshend Road resident also reported on the mess in the alleyway behind Vamasaki on Manchester Road. The resident was informed that Street Scene had already been notified of the issue.
3. Ms Wood raised concern that the lighting on Stubbs Lane seemed insufficient since the new houses have been built.
4. Cllr Kelly reported on the height barrier at the Business Park, also that speeding was an issue in the mornings on Manchester Road. The issue of bog bins was raised at the Business Park with Cllr Stocks. Cllr Kelly also asked Cllr Stocks about the new speed signs for Manchester Road.

### APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

## RESOLVED to accept apologies from Cllr Atherton.

##### DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

##### ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting of the council held on 5 January 2015, having been copied to members, was taken as read and confirmed and signed as being a correct record.

**MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 5 JANUARY 2015**

1. Fly tipping has now been cleared at the Lostock Triangle.
2. The Old Playing Field at the Lostock Triangle has been purchased by Barratt Homes.
3. Tata is still of concern with responses from Mr Brookfield and Ms Hore not being acceptable. Cllr Stocks has also asked for clarification of what has gone on.

-The Clerk is to write again to CWAC requesting a written response to the Freedom of Information request from LGPC.

-The Clerk will write to the Planning Inspectorate asking for clarification regarding the planning application for the 600,000 tonne per annum waste incinerator at Lostock.

## REPORT FROM PCSO P HAMBLETON

PCSO Hambleton reported on the following:

* Anti Social behaviour on Fryer Road.
* 30 drivers caught speeding.
* Failed rtc stop at the Watermead.
* Sexual Assault at the Slow and Easy.

**TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM ANY CWAC COUNCILLOR PRESENT**

Cllr Stocks reported on:-

* The council has approved the Local Plan and now has sufficient housing supply.
* Work has commenced at Barons Quay, Northwich.
* There will be a 0% rise in Council Tax.
* Cllr Kelly asked about 106 money at the Lostock Triangle, Cllr Stocks confirmed that Barratt Homes did not have to pay 106 money due to the Local School having places available. Money was however given to a local swimming pool not in Lostock Gralam.
* Going forward the way 106 money is collected will change, so that all new developments will have a levy for educations and health etc, however the funds will be distributed in the local area not necessarily where the development is.
* A breakdown of all monies collected from the Lostock Triangle is to be made available to LGPC.

**HS2 – Residents Charter**

* The Clerk reported on a Resident Charter which will be made available on the LGPC website.
* Ros Todhunter reported on the unsafe ground which the HS2 route would run on.
* There are questions like ‘What positive plan is there for residents who stay when HS2 is built’? HS2 has never attended a parish meeting to answer such questions.

**INEOS**

The Clerk is to amend the proposed Permissive Footpath Agreement and circulate amongst the Councillors for wording approval, also to arrange signs for both ends of the path.

**PLAY AREAS AND INSPECTION**

* The Clerk is to request a quote to resolve the issues raised within the Play Area Inspections Report.
* To gain three quotes for a Tree Survey at the Lostock Gralam Community Centre.
* The Lostock Green Park Bench has now been repaired.
* The gate at the Community Centre has now been repaired and returned to the park.
* The Clerk is to look into the possibly of synthetic grass for the worn goal mouths.

##### REPORT FROM THE CLERK

The Clerk reported on the following:

* The Clerk, Cllr M Litton and Cllr P Kelly are to attend the Lach Dennis Parish Council meeting on 10th March.
* There will be a 0% increase in the Lostock Gralam Parish precept.

# PLANNING APPLICATIONS & DECISIONS

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| APPLICATIONS | |
| 14/05319/MIN | Holford Offices, Moss Lane, Lostock Gralam  Extend Brine, Mud and DBO pipe-work  No Objection |
| 14/05319/MIN | Holford Offices, Moss Lane, Lostock Gralam  2.4km new buried pipe work 8”, 10” and 14” diameter to connect boreholes to the saturator network.  No Objection |
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| DECISIONS | |
| 14/04365/FUL | 2 Cheshire Business Park, Cheshire Avenue, CW9 7UA  Erection of one office unit, three retail units & associated car parking.  **Pending consideration** |
| 14/04792/FUL | 33 Harris Road, Lostock Gralam,  Two Storey rear extension.  **Application permitted** |
| 14/04730/FUL | 58 Harris Road, Lostock Gralam, Northwich,CW9 7PF  Single storey rear extension  **Approved** |

**FINANCE**

The Clerk confirmed the balance at 31/01/2015 is CA £8,850.78 & DA £23,132.40.

It was **RESOLVED** to accept payment of the following accounts

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| **Chq no.** | **Payee** | **Description** | **Amount** |
| S/O | Freeola (S/O) | Website fees for 26/12/14-25/3/15 | £10.80 |
| 338 | Claymore Business Machines Ltd | Block Billing at Qty 6000 for KYOCERA Photocopier | £129.60 |
| 339 | HAGS-SMP Ltd | I&M REFURB North, Shackle Assembly, I&M Repair North, Reinstate the gate | £688.80 |
| 340 | St. John Church Hall Assoc. | Meeting Room Hire April 2014-March 2015. | £232.00 |
| 341 | Mid Cheshire Rail Users Assoc. | MCRUA subscription for March 2015 –February 2016. | £14.00 |
| 342 | Lostock Gralam Community Centre Assoc. | Litter Pick January – March 2015 | £169.00 |

The meeting finished at 9.00 p.m.

**DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Monday 2 March 2015 at Lostock Gralam Church Hall at 7.30 p.m.