

Ingol & Tanterton Neighbourhood Council

MINUTES of THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held on Wednesday the 23rd October 2013 in St Margaret's Church Hall Ingol @ 7.00pm

Present: Cllrs Anderson, Dodd, Ellison, Speakman, Thompson, Soole, McGrath, Roskell & Wright
There were two members of the public present

85/13 To receive Apologies

Cllr Brookes

86/13 To consider and approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 11th September 2013

It was resolved that the Minutes of the meeting held on the 11th September 2013 should be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record

87/13 To receive Declarations of Interest

Cllrs Soole, Speakman, Anderson and Thompson declared interests in item 9 on the agenda since they were directly involved with the Action Group bidding to take over the management of Tanterton Community Centre – Cllrs Speakman, Anderson and Thompson had previously received dispensation from this Council which allowed them to take part in the debate and vote on item 9 on the agenda. Cllr Soole had applied for a similar dispensation which was dealt with as the next item of business on the agenda.

88/13 To receive a written request from Cllr Soole for dispensation in respect of agenda item 9 concerning the potential for the funding of Tanterton Community Centre

It was resolved that the written dispensation request for dispensation should be granted to Cllr Soole since it was on the same terms as those previously granted to other members for the same purpose and on an ongoing basis until the next elections.

89/13 To adjourn the meeting for a period of public discussion.

The meeting was adjourned

It was mentioned that a recent meeting had been held with LCC regarding development in NW Preston. The plan was for a further meeting to take place involving this time involving all local councils (Lea and Cottam, Woodplumpton & Ingol and Tanterton) so that issues arising from the development could be aired and an understanding of how development would be taken forward provided.

An update was given with regard to the Brickworks Development. Progress had been slow primarily due to Tesco re-thinking their policy with regard to future expansion. It is now likely that a smaller store reduced from 40000sq ft. to 30000sq ft. was most likely. In addition there had been changes in views concerning the building of flats as against houses (demand had more recently moved towards houses) and out of town offices were perhaps no longer flavor of the month. Since building work is now not likely to start within the existing planning permission period of 3 year (ends 2015), this provides an opportunity to review the original plans since a new planning application will be required. The new application will be able to take account of current thinking. The nature reserve is however now up and running under the management of the local school.

The NW Preston development Masterplan will be available for discussion/comment on the 13th November 2013 at a presentation at Grasshoppers. The Neighbourhood Council will discuss the proposals during the consultation period to be announced and consider any representation at a future meeting.

It was mentioned that Preston CC had received three application for taking over the now closed three Community Centre sites (one for each site) and that a decision was expected in early November as to the way forward.

The meeting was re-convened

90/13 To consider planning application 2013/0693 relating to change of use of John O’Gaunt public house to children’s day nursery including external alterations to existing building, erection of boundary fence and alterations to car parking and landscaping areas.

It was resolved that this Council should make the following comments:

That this Council whilst generally supporting the proposals had concerns with regard to the provision of rented accommodation above the proposed nursery which according to the plans did not have a dedicated separate access. It was felt that a dedicated access must be provided so as to ensure that no person occupying the accommodation could enter the nursery premises. In addition a query was raised concerning the required change of use should such accommodation be provided since it was unclear as to whether this was required?

91/13 To authorise payment of the following accounts:

300064	Preston Vocational Centre	Labour charge for planters	337.98
300065	Page and Taylor	Materials for planters	816.20
300066	Greenwood Gardening Services	Delivery of planters to sites	60.00
300067	Greenwood Gardening Services	Lengthsman	400.00
300068	Ingol Methodist Church	Donation	250.00
300069	Greenwood Gardening Services	Lengthsman	392.00
300070	Newgate Nurseries	Plants for planters	267.14

It was resolved that the above mentioned payments should be approved.

92/13 To receive and approve the Statement of Accounts as at 30th September 2013 (enclosed)

It was resolved that the Statement of Accounts as at 30th September 2013 should be approved

93/13 To consider the following motions:

That this Council would be minded to accept an asset transfer of ownership of Tanterton Community Centre in 2/3 years on terms and conditions that are acceptable to it.

That this Council commit to providing additional standby funding to the operating group of Tanterton Community Centre, should the now formed Action Group be successful in their bid to take over management, subject to this support being capped at £5K per annum for the first two full years of operation and subject to demonstrable and fully justified evidence of the need for such additional funding.

A recorded vote was requested

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In favour Cllrs: Anderson, Ellison, Speakman, Thompson, McGrath and Soole

Against Cllrs: Dodd and Wright

Abstention Cllr Roskell

A recorded vote was requested

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Against Cllrs: Dodd, Roskell and Wright

94/13 To consider a response to the Publication Version of the Site Allocations and Development Management Policies full details of which have already been advised to each of the Council’s members.

It was resolved that no representation should be made.

95/13 To receive a verbal update with regard to the Christmas tree project and the event now being facilitated by the working group of this Council. (For information only)

It was noted that the Christmas tree switch on event had been set for Monday the 2nd December 2013 commencing at 6.00pm. The local schools and churches had in the main taken responsibility for organising this community event. It will comprise a short service at St Margaret's church followed by refreshments and the switch on of the lights which will be done by one of the school children who will be selected from the winners of a local school competition to design a Christmas tree which is now being organised.

96/13 To receive a verbal update with regard to the November edition of the newsletter. (For information only)

It was noted that the November newsletter was almost ready to be sent to the printers for delivery in the second part of November.

97/13 To receive any verbal updates from any other working groups. (For information only)

It was noted that Tanterton Shops Working Group had found difficulty arranging a follow up meeting with Pfp. This was still being sought however in the meantime Pfp have confirmed that they will undertake some re-planting of the roundabout area near to the shops and it is expected that flagged area will be lifted and tarmacked. Some cleaning work is also to be undertaken and it is expected that the bollards in front of NISA will be removed.

Cllrs Ellison outlined some of his findings whilst looking into Speed Indicator Devices. He is working with other local councils on possibilities and best buys. Once enquiries are finalised it is expected that a proposal will be put to this Council.

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