

HIGHTOWN PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 16TH MAY 2016

1. Attendance

Cllrs D. Warren, T. Asbury, P. Walker, M. Kennan, E. Triggs, J. Drake, K. Brennan, J. Croasdell (Clerk), Inspector J. Atherton (Merseyside Police), 3 Members of the Public

2. Apologies

None

3. Members and Officers Declarations of Interest

None

4. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Having already been circulated, these were agreed

5. Matters of Report from the Minutes

None

6. Police Report

Inspector Atherton gave an up to date report to the Clerk for posting on the Notice Board. Cllr. Asbury voiced his concerns on the lack of control over the 20mile per hour speed limit

7. Matters of Report from Committees attended by Councillors

Area Committee, Range and 10 Parishes - no meetings had been held since the last Parish Council Meeting.

Cllr. Warren had attended a meeting re The Surgery, and reported that there was a backlog of work left by the previous trust. A list of GP's attending the surgery has been posted in the surgery and post office. The pharmacist is very pleased with the way the surgery is now working.

8. War Memorial

Cllr. Warren will update the Clerk on the progress re funding for the War Memorial.

9. Tree Situation inc. storm damaged tree

There is no progress on this situation at present

10. Footbridge

The dispute continues over who should maintain this bridge. Cllr. Kennan to arrange for a letter to be sent to Sefton Council re the danger to the public using the bridge in its present state.

The MP Bill Esterson has offered a meeting to take place with the Ward Councillors.

11. Car in School Road

The car cannot be removed for six months from date it was found.

12. Bus Stop and Parking

The Bus stop is so long to enable the bus to manoeuvre correctly. Parked cars also impede the turning area of the buses.

13. Open Forum

A resident asked about the bench in memory of Michael Williams. The Parish Council agreed that this should be ordered as soon as possible.

Cllr. Brennan reported on the Fracking position. Once a license has been granted by Central Government, there is no appeal. The upside is a Community Benefit of £100,000 per well site.

The question was asked about summer plants. These are to be ordered.

A new contractor has been appointed to cut the grass every three weeks.

There is no further news on the Wind Farm

14. Planning Applications

15 Elvington Road – Single Storey Extension

15. Correspondence

Invite to the Mayor's Inauguration

Clerks and Councils Direct Magazine

Letter from Sefton re Precept

16. Finances

A	Current Account	2365.09
	Add Precept	<u>4620.00</u>
		<u>6985.09</u>
B	Bills for Payment	
	Insurance	251.85

The Accounts for 2015/16 were agreed

17. Matters of Further Report

None

18. Date of Next Meeting

To be advised