



## **HIGHTOWN PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF MEEING HELD ON 20<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2017**

- 40 Attendance**  
Cllrs. Brennan, Farquar, Jarrett and Kennan, J. Croasdell (Clerk), Police Sergeant Dentith from Southport
- 41 Apologies**  
Cllrs. Triggs and Longfellow
- 42 Members and Office Declarations of Interest**  
None,
- 43 Police Sergeant gave an update on crime in the area. Many burglaries had occurred in all areas -Hightown reported 4, and Ince Blundell reported 4. Over 1,000 happened in the rest of the area covering Southport to Crosby. Police doing what they can with limited resources. Trains are regularly checked. Cllr Brennan asked if the police would hold surgeries in the Alt Centre, but this was rejected as not enough people have attended other surgeries in the past. A resident asked how often police visits are made to Hightown. Patrols attend where the demand is.**
- 44 Minutes of Previous Meeting**  
Having previously been circulated, these were agreed.
- 45 Matters of Report from the Minutes**  
30 Bins have not yet been provided at the Footbridge or Village Green  
Dead trees are still being checked  
Bin outside Alt Centre not cleared
- 46 Matters of Report from Committees attended by Councillors**  
Cllr. Brennan reported that the Sefton Central Meetings will now be held half yearly.
- 47 Community Development**

PA System at Remembrance Service not very good. It is hoped the system will be improved.

**48 Open Forum**

The mast appeal has been rejected. Cllr Brennan was congratulated on his efforts. It was felt that the MP had not helped in this matter.

There is an issue with cars entering and leaving the back entrance to Altcar Training Camp. Unfortunately Sat Navs give the wrong directions. Signs have been erected with the correct directions.

It is hoped that the Alt Centre will be in use by January 2018. It needs cleaning and painting.

**49 Planning Applications**

5 Village Way – increase in the depth of side extension

**50 Correspondence**

War Memorials Trust Magazine

Clerks and Councils Direct Magazine

**51 Finances**

Current Account £15567.54

Deposit Account £3267.70

**Bills for Payment**

RBL Wreath £18.50

**52 Matters of Further Report**

Historic England would like to grant the War Memorial Grade11 protection.

Lifeboat Road is the official site to send old Christmas trees

30th November - lights switch on – Salvation Army at 6.30pm.

Christmas Tree purchased for £120, and lights have also been purchased.

**53 Date of Next Meeting**

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018 at 7.45 pm