



HIGHTOWN PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 19TH MARCH 2018

- 67. Attendance**
Cllrs. Brennan, Longfellow, Jarrett, Triggs and Kennan, J. Croasdell (Clerk), 18 residents
- 68. Apologies**
Cllr. Farquhar
- 69. Members and Offices Declarations of Interest**
None
- 70. Minutes of Previous Meeting**
Having previously been circulated, these were agreed.
- 71. Matters of Report from the Minutes**
The 10 Parishes Group is still not functioning properly. No decision has yet been made about the future of the Group.
- The Alt Centre is being decorated etc. Rates have been reduced for the property.
- 72. Matters of Report from Committees attended by Councillors**
No meetings were held.
- 73. Hightown Surgery**
The problem is still ongoing; however, the surgery will not be closing down on 9th June as had been rumoured.
Chapel Surgery in Formby could possibly be taking over Hightown. Residents are asked not to move to other surgeries at present.

- 74. Community Development**
 Meetings have been held re the Hightown Festival. Saturday 21st April with some thing for everyone. Carol and Andy Farquhar to keep residents updated.
- 75. Open Forum**
 A resident thanked the Parish Council with their help re Chelmere.
 Fracking was discussed, but Sefton is trying to be frack free.
 Rebuilding at the Range is causing some problems. Traffic is very heavy, and wagon drivers are not sticking to 20 miles per hour. 100 wagons per day for 10 months is the forecast. The road surface is already showing signs of wear.
 Building of the new headquarters is commencing in the near future. Another training area is to be built.
 A resident queried whether the bridge is strong enough to take all his traffic.
 An update on the houses being built in Sandy Lane was requested, but no update has been given.
 It was requested that the Local Plan be posted on the Website.
 The state of the Roads was also discussed
 The Library will continue as long as possible
- 76. Planning Applications**
 Moor Farm, Moss Lane – Erection of a single storey Veterinary Surgery
 Our Lady’s Presbytery – Tree preservation order consent to prune Sycamore tree
- 77. Correspondence**
 Clerks & Councils Direct Magazine
 Rates bill for The Alt Centre
- 78. Finances**
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| A | Balances | Current Account | £13,178.27 |
| | | Deposit Account | £3,267.70 |
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| B | Bills for Payment to be advised. | | |
- 79. Any Other Business**
 Trees have been cut down on Thornbeck Avenue, and there is no funding to replace them. 4-6 pine trees have been offered for the grass verges. The Parish Council can fund the purchase of trees if desired. Residents are asked to water trees outside their Homes.
 CCTV in Kerslake Way was discussed. It would cost £6,000. To be looked into.
- 80. Date of Next Meeting and AGM**
 Monday 21st May at 7.45pm

