

WESTHOUGHTON TOWN COUNCIL

**PLANNING AND FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING
AND TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**

9 NOVEMBER 2020

(REMOTE ZOOM MEETING)

PLANNING MEETING

PRESENT: Town Mayor Cllr D A Wilkinson,
Deputy Town Mayor Cllr Mrs A B Eckersley-Fallon and Councillors
D Bullock, M Cox (arrived 7.10 p.m.), Miss R S M Fairhurst,
Mrs C H Kirkman, A P Morgan, A Price, C Reilly, Mrs L M Reilly,
Mrs A M Seddon, and A Younge.
Town Clerk.

Cllr D A Wilkinson chaired the meetings.

**PFGP69/2020 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND TO ACCEPT
REASONS**

Cllrs R Brennan – sick, T J Hewitt – meeting, N Maher – work,
Miss M Maley – I.T. issue and Miss D J McGeown – work.

PFGP70/2020 TO READ THE NOTICE CONVENING THE MEETING

The Chairman, Cllr D A Wilkinson, read the notice convening the meeting.

**PFGP71/2020 TO RECORD DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN
ANY ITEM TO BE DISCUSSED**

Cllr D A Wilkinson declared an interest in Agenda Item No.P5 – To Discuss Planning and Development Matters and to approve any action because he is a member of the Bolton Council Planning Committee and reserved the right to speak and vote, and to re-consider his decision at a Bolton Council Planning Committee, if additional information is presented.

Cllr A P Morgan declared an interest in Agenda Item No.P5 – To Discuss Planning and Development Matters and to approve any action because he is a member of the Bolton Council Planning Committee and reserved the right to speak and vote, and to re-consider his decision at a Bolton Council Planning Committee, if additional information is presented.

Cllr D Bullock declared an interest in Agenda Item No. T4 – Discussion on the payment of Daisy Hill in Bloom items totalling £300 and to approve any action.

**PFGP72/2020 ADJOURNMENT TO ALLOW PUBLIC QUESTION TIME
RELATING TO TOWN COUNCIL ACTIVITIES AND
ITEMS WITHIN ITS POWERS**

There were no questions.

PFGP73/2020 TO DISCUSS PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT MATTERS AND TO APPROVE ANY ACTION

(a) TOWN COUNCIL COMMENTS ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Town Council requested that its comments on the following Planning Applications are placed before the Bolton Council Planning Committee:

- 09516/20 The Town Council supports the application
- 09518/20 The Town Council supports the application
- 09487/20 The Town Council supports the application
- 09578/20 The Town Council requested that the Bolton Council Arboricultural Officer determine the application
- 09624/20 The Town Council supports the application
- 09580/20 The Town Council supports the application
- 09644/20 The Town Council supports the application
- 09640/20 The Town Council supports the application
- 09483/20 The Town Council requested that the Bolton Council Planning Officer or the Planning Committee determine the Application. The Town Council is concerned at the removal of so many conditions because the confined plot is in a confined space and there would be an affect on the nearby residents and the residents of the Victorian terrace on Church Street, particularly in the back street

(b) DISCUSSION ON PLANNING APPEALS

Nil.

(c) TO NOTE PLANNING DECISIONS

Resolved that the Planning Decisions, as circulated, be received and noted.

PFGP74/2020 TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE PLANNING AND FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING, HELD ON MONDAY, 12th OCTOBER, 2020

Resolved that the minutes of the Planning and Finance & General Purposes Committee Meeting, held on Monday, 12th October, 2020 as circulated, be approved.

PFGP75/2020 DATE OF THE NEXT PLANNING AND FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, 14th December, 2020.

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Cllr Speight joined the meeting.

Cllr Cox arrived.

TC83/2020 TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING, HELD ON MONDAY, 12TH OCTOBER, 2020

Resolved that the minutes of the Town Council Meeting, held on Monday, 12th October, 2020, as circulated, be approved.

TC84/2020 TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE PLANNING AND FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING, HELD ON MONDAY, 12TH OCTOBER, 2020

Resolved that the minutes of the Planning and Finance & General Purposes Committee Meeting, held on Monday, 12th October, 2020 as circulated, be approved.

TC85/2020 DISCUSSION ON THE PURCHASE OF LARGE POPPIES AT £5 EACH FOR THE NEXT FEW YEARS AND TO APPROVE ANY ACTION

Cllr Wilkinson reported that the Town Council has purchased 120 large poppies at £5 each for Remembrance Day, 2020.

Resolved that the Town Council purchase 100 large poppies at £5 each in 2021, 2022 and 2023.

This is in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972 S145.

Cllr Morgan suggested setting up a Just Giving page so that businesses and individuals can also sponsor large poppies.

TC86/2020 DISCUSSION ON THE PAYMENT OF DAISY HILL IN BLOOM ITEMS TOTALLING £300 AND TO APPROVE ANY ACTION

Resolved that the Town Council approve the payment of Daisy Hill in Bloom items totalling £300.

This is in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972 S144.

TC87/2020 TO APPROVE BANK RECONCILIATIONS APRIL, 2020 – 29TH OCTOBER, 2020

Resolved that the Bank Reconciliations April, 2020 – 29th October, 2020, as circulated, be approved.

TC88/2020 TO APPROVE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

Resolved that approval be given to the signing by two members and the Town Clerk of an authorisation for payment of accounts totalling £6,674.81.

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Salaries & HM.R.C. payments	2,065.09
AP40 Bolton Council Renovation of Public Rights of Way	4,403.25
AP41 C Morris Re-imburement – stationery	17.98
AP42 Parish & Town Training Finance Workshop	25.00
AP43 Lexis Nexis C Arnold-Baker 12 th Edition	156.99
Bank Charges	6.50

TOTAL:	6,674.81

The payment to Bolton Council is in accordance with the Highways Act 1980.

TC89/2020 TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE TOWN CLERK

The following correspondence was noted by the Town Council:

1. The Pretoria Pit Disaster Memorial Services on 21st December, 2020 will not be going ahead due to Coronavirus restrictions and the maroons have been cancelled. The Town Mayor will lay wreaths; 7.50 a.m. at the Pretoria Pit Disaster Centenary Memorial, Ditchfield Garden and 10.00 a.m at the Pretoria Monument, in the Westhoughton Cemetery.
2. Update on Call in Inquiry on Land West of Wingates Industrial Estate, Westhoughton.
Ward Councillors who wish to take part should inform the Town Clerk.

TC90/2020 DATE OF NEXT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, 14th December, 2020.

The meeting closed at 7.45 p.m.