

LITTLEBOROUGH CIVIC TRUST

Committee Meeting

14th May 2019

Hare Hill House

Present

Ian Jackson Michael Price Gillian Price Barry Cropper John Kay Bob Wetherly
Ann Stott Vivienne Ashworth Nick Andrews Robert Clegg Shaun Clancy
Julian Farnell Janet Emsley

1. Introductions and welcome

The meeting was opened by Ian Jackson at 7.30pm

2. Apologies for absence

Peter Gugas Frank Carter

3. Submissions for AOB

None

4. Minutes of previous meeting and matters arising

Minutes agreed. No matters arising

5. Treasurers Report

JK informed the meeting that he had made a donation of £25 in memory of John Street, on behalf of LCT. This was donated by his wife to Keswick Mountain Rescue who received a total of £550 in memory of John. A donation of £25 was also made in memory of Iain Gerrard, at present we do not know the designated charity.

An updated financial report has been completed for the Charity Commission.

Total funds £5109.71

Comprising of:

LCT £1976.95

FRG £1854.94

CDG £1277.82

The annual subscription for Civic Voice is due for renewal at a cost of £1.50 per member. LCT has 31 paid up members and it was agreed that this would be paid for another year

6. Planning application updates

The development at New Street was discussed and it was agreed that IJ would respond to the planning application on behalf of the members of the LCT.

7. Akzo/GMSF land

Homes England has met with Rochdale Council regarding the Akzo site but as yet no decision has been made on the way forward. LCT are not in a position to comment on the agreed planning application unless an application for amendments is submitted for the site.

8. Save Littleborough's Greenbelt

The group are planning a date for another Public Meeting regarding the GMSF.

They are also hoping to promote another Hands Around The Lake event

9. Canalside Development Group

Work has now resumed on the Canal Boat,

The application for the boat expires on 1st June so we will have to apply for an extension. JF will write an updated report for JK to send off with the application.

It was agreed that the hull should be inspected before painting commences.

CR&T are awaiting delivery of the timber to commence the building of the Brian Holden Memorial Bench

MP read out a letter from Frank Carter who expressed his wish to attend any ceremony organised for the inauguration of the bench

IJ informed the group that 40 boats would be travelling on the canal through Littleborough, commencing on 15th May, on their way to a rally in Sowerby Bridge

10. Flood Group Report

A Table Top exercise is being planned for 26th June involving emergency responders who may be called upon in the event of a future flood in Littleborough.

A member of the group attended Olive Standing House along with the NFF representative and RBH to inform the residents as to what procedures are in place for them in the event of a flood affecting their premises.

It was noted that Hollingworth Lake is being drawn down for a survey and repairs as required

11. Social Media

The LCT has now gained access to the website owned by Iain Gerrard. LCT is now in a position to remove personnel details of members from the site. The site is old and not very user friendly so it is proposed to set up a modern alternative. A link will still be maintained with the original site. Monies are available from FRG/CUPI funds therefore MP and IJ will pursue the building of a new website for www.littleboroughcivictrust.co.uk. The initial cost will be £410. The committee agreed to this payment. This website will also link to the LCT Facebook and Twitter accounts

12. News and Events

None to date

13. AOB

IJ enquired why the new steps at the railway station are not stone. The group was informed that the work was ongoing and that they would be dressed in stone.

The meeting closed at 9.00 pm

The next meeting will be held on 11th June 2019 at 7.30pm at Hare Hill House

All members of the LCT and Canalside Development Group are welcome to attend

