

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee  
held on 18<sup>th</sup> August 2008 at 6.30pm**

1. **PRESENT** - Councillor A.M. Jkinson (in the Chair), Town Councillors J.W. Billinger, R.M. Clark, J. Cunningham, P. Hall, K. Hudson, J. Kenyon, V.A. Pridden, A. Ravenscroft, D. Rushton, K. Schofield and A.J. Tatchell.
2. **ALSO PRESENT** : Borough Councillor Len Starr, 20 members of the public, the Press and Ian Sturzaker of Green Spaces and Amenities
3. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** – Cllrs. C. Smith and M Whittaker
4. **PRESENTATION – IAN STURZAKER**

Cllr. Jkinson welcomed Ian Sturzaker of Green Spaces and Amenities. Ian provided a full up date in relation to the Lottery Bid in respect of Memorial Park and works being carried out on the Linear Park and Whitegate Park.

**Memorial Park** – this is an extremely important bid to the Heritage Lottery Fund and needs to be submitted by the end of September. The bid is competitive and will provide additional play facilities, public toilets and a venue for events and activities. Cllr. Jkinson is to provide support via the Padiham Business Forum and the history of the Park will feature in the September Archive Exhibition. A Petition has been printed and is returnable to the Town Clerk at the Town Hall. Town Councillors **AGREED UNANIMOUSLY** to support the bid and collect signatures to the Petition as and where possible.

**Linear Park** – Contractors have been appointed, the track removed and vegetation clearance will take place over the next 4 – 6 weeks. Cllr. Clark requested that attention be paid to the repainting of the bridges. Cllr. Hall expressed concerns with regard to unmarked vehicles having access to the railway line. Ian Sturzaker agreed to report back to the Town Council on both issues.

**Whitegate Play Area** – Ian reported that work should commence on site in October/November. An additional piece of equipment was being supplied.

5. **CORRESPONDENCE**

The Town Clerk reported on the following items of correspondence:

- a) **Land at Grove Lane/High Street – Planning Application** –the application has been refused by the Borough Council. A copy of the letter detailing the grounds is available from the Town Council Office.
- b) **Land at the junction of Station Road and Green Lane – Outline Planning Application** – this has been refused by the Borough Council. A copy of the letter detailing the grounds is available from the Town Council Office.
- c) **Land at Stockbridge Road – Sherry’s Mill** – Current application invalid

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## 6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Town Councillors considered the following application. There were 20 members of the public present in respect of the Application and the Town Council had received in excess of 40 letters of objection. In the circumstances the Mayor adjourned the meeting to allow Mrs. Anne Eves to speak on behalf of the objectors. Copy of the representations made is attached.

**Land Adjacent to Whalley Road/Vicarage Avenue, Padiham – Outline Application**

Proposed erection of 60 bedroom nursing home with adjacent extra care housing including details of access, layout and scale with all other matters reserved for future approval

The Town Council AGREED UNANIMOUSLY to support the objections and it was RESOLVED that the Town Clerk forward the appropriate letter of objection to the Borough Council.

## 7. TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDERS

**Parish Street, Padiham**

Prohibition of Waiting Order

Town Councillors had carried out a site inspection on 18<sup>th</sup> August 2008 and it was RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY that the Town Clerk write to Lancashire County Council recommending double yellow lines for the whole length of Parish Street on one side only and that appropriate signage be provided.


## 8. PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

Performing Rights Society	932.41
Zurich Municipal – Duck Race	52.50
Zurich Municipal – Hirer's Liability	955.50
Zurich Municipal – All Risks	80.73
Ricoh UK Ltd. – Copying	141.14
Marshalls Street Furniture	712.05
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## 9. PREMISES LICENCE - SOLEMNIZATION OF WEDDINGS/ CIVIL CEREMONIES

Cllr. Jinkinson raised the issue of the Council Chamber and one other room being licensed. The Application form was available for completion and the fee would be £1050. Tom Large had agreed to fund half the fee and it was PROPOSED by Cllr. Clark, SECONDED by Cllr. Hall and AGREED UNANIMOUSLY that the Application Forms be passed to the Town Clerk for completion and submission to Lancashire County Council and that the Town Council fund half the Licence fee.

## 10. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING – Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2008 at 7.00pm

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Date 15/ 9/ 08