

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF CUERDEN PARISH
COUNCIL HELD ON 11TH FEBRUARY 2019 AT THE
BARN, CUERDEN VALLEY PARK.**

Present **Cllr Ms J Brown**
 Cllr M Brown
 Cllr Ms S Elsey
 Cllr N Whitham

In attendance **Mr A Whittaker, Ms P Gibbons**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Meredith.

1 Appointment of Chair. Cllr J Brown was appointed as Chair

2 Appointment of Vice Chair. Cllr S Elsey was appointed as Vice chair.

3 Acting administrator. Mr Whittaker was welcomed to the meeting to administer Council matters.

4 Minutes of the meeting held on 26th November were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chair.

5 Matters arising from the minutes.

Clayton Hall Landfill Site. AW circulated the update from the Environment Agency dated 1st February which was noted. Cllr Whitham reported on his experiences and a discussion ensued. The next report will be in March 2019 and an item will be included in the April agenda

6 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION.

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Ms P Gibbons reported on a) the current situation regarding the website, AW will liaise with CBC officers regarding the method of updating the facility. b) the Council Notice Board, this will be an item on the April agenda. c) correspondence with HMCR on PAYE for the previous Clerk. d) the requirements for new signatories for the Council's Accounts

7 R & B Burscough Charity.

Council discussed the future of the Charity and whether it should continue or not. It was agreed that this should be an item on the April agenda.

8 Accounts for payment.

The following payments were authorised

I) HMRC £50.00 previous Clerks Tax Liability

II) The Barn £20 hire of rooms Feb and April

9 Bank Signatories . It was agreed that AW investigate the need for additional signatories

10 Cuerden Endowed CE School Charity

Two additional trustees needed. This will be an item on the April agenda.

11 Planning Matters.

a) Councillors discussed the application for 87 houses with access on to Nell Lane. Members reported on the recent Chorley Planning Committee where it was agreed to defer consideration of the application so that members could have a

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a site visit and perhaps better appreciate residents concerns. (the visit will take place on 27th February) Ms Gibbons offered to allow the members to use her property as a meeting point and AW was asked to notify Chorley Council.

b) Berkely Farm Berkely Drive 3 Houses.

Council resolved to object on the basis of Green Belt, Additional traffic and the uncertainty of ownership of Berkely Drive.

12 Parish Council Archive material. AW was asked to investigate the moving of material to LCC Archives.

13 Parish Neighbourhood Plan .

Cllr Elsey reported on a recent meeting that she had attended at CPRE and the benefits of a Neighbourhood plan for Cuerden. Council agreed that AW should write to Jackie Copley at CPRE and invite her to a future meeting to discuss the various issues.

14 Planning in Practice meeting at Chorley Town Hall

Cllr Whitham reported that CBC were hosting a discussion meeting on 11th March at 5.45pm and two Parish Councillors could attend if they wished

15 Date of next meeting 29th April 2019