Rivington and Brinscall Local Advisory Group

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday, 5th March, 2012 at 6.30 pm in Conference Room 1, Chorley Town Hall

Present:

Chair

Councillor Marie Gray, Chorley Borough Council

Committee Members

Parish Councillor G Hester, Rivington Parish Council Ms K Bruce, Bridleways Association Councillor David Metcalfe, Withnell Parish Council

Officers

Neville Kidd, United Utilities Hazel Gregory, United Utilities

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Parish Councillor Graham Ashworth, Councillor Pat Case, Mr Richard Jennison, Fiona Cruchley, Mrs Maureen Hall, Mr Terry Dickenson and Mr Barry Richardson.

2. Disclosure of Personal and Prejudicial Interests

Parish Councillor Glen Hester declared an interest as a member of Rivington Heritage Trust.

3. Amendment to Membership of the Rivington and Brinscall Local Advisory Group

A request had been made by Lancashire County Council to have a nominated representative on the Advisory Group and County Councillor Mark Perks had been suggested as the nominated representative.

The members agreed to this request.

4. Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 19 December 2011

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed as a true record.

The Chair reported that Heritage Lottery Fund application had been submitted on 28 February 2012 (minute reference no 7).

5. Police Report

Members noted the Police report despatched with the agenda. Any comments/questions regarding this report to be directed either to the Secretary of the meeting or direct to PC Mark Etheridge.

Copies of two documents supplied by PC Etheridge were handed out at the meeting for the information of the members - 'Consumer Alerts' document from Lancashire County Council Trading Standards Service and a copy of the February 'in the know' newsletter.

6. Rivington Heritage Trust Recent Meetings

Hazel Gregory informed the meeting that the next meeting of the Trust was to take place in a couple of weeks. She tabled a document relating to the open days taking place regarding the future of the Rivington Terraced Gardens.

7. Goit River Environmental Action Team (GREAT) Campaign

It was reported that GREAT were apply to the Green Partnership Award for a grant of \pounds 500 to help with planting natural species. It was hoped that rangers and school children would become involved.

It was also noted that chicken wire was to be laid on the board walks as these had become dangerous in the winter weather. The Parish Council had requested quotes and it was hoped they would fund this. GREAT were also asking Groundwork to help.

8. Lancashire County Council Countryside Officer's Activity Report

No report was tabled.

9. United Utilities Officer's Report

Hazel Gregory presented her report as despatched with the agenda.

Additional information was also provided regarding the wooden bridleway gates being stolen from the end of Old Belmont Road and the wooden gate pulled out of the ground at the lower house car park. It was also noted that the Great Hill fence had been damaged and cut into 3' pieces.

It was reported that they were preparing for the Good Friday Easter Fair and the annual Easter fair.

10. Any Other Business

Mrs Kay Bruce queried any further information on the planning application regarding the Definitive Right of Way. The Chair suggested that when the formal planning application was submitted any original consultees would be contacted.

11. Dates of Future Meetings

Dates of future meetings were agreed as follows:

Monday 18 June 2012; Monday 17 September 2012; Monday 17 December 2012.

> Ian Fisher County Secretary and Solicitor

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