



**MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:
24TH January 2020**

Hoole Village Memorial Hall

PRESENT: Cllr A Taylor (Chair) Cllr E Houghton, Cllr T Hewitt, Cllr K Hayes, Cllr N Woodcock, Cllr C Hewitt

Cllr E Houghton acted as clerk for the meeting

Ref	No.	Item
	1.	Apologies for Absence Cllrs T Brown Cllr R Lea
	2.	Declaration of Interests and Dispensations Cllr Hayes declared a non-pecuniary interest as an employee of LCC Cllr A Taylor declared an interest as an owner of land within the plan
	4	Public Time There were over 100 members of the public present. Cllr Taylor outlined the reason for the meeting and read a letter from Cllr John Rainsbury the SRBC councillor for Much and Little Hoole. This explained that no planning applications had been received in relation to the consultation document and no permissions had been granted. Cllr Taylor then opened the discussion. Concerns were especially about possible loss of green belt; though the green belt was more than likely to be excluded from any final plan. Loss of individuality between the villages was also a concern. Lack of information regarding the plan and shortness of response time were raised several times. It was pointed out that this was a consultation document and no actions had been taken. It was important for every person who felt strongly about the proposals to respond to the consultation. On complaints about the complexity of the questionnaire, it was said there is no need to answer all questions. It was pointed out that there was two years to decide what, if any action was to be taken, this was a consultation about producing a plan and it was important that people not panic. Builders were not at present developing land already allocated, possibly because of clauses requiring affordable housing to be included in any plans. This was unpopular with developers. It was also warned that objections needed to be on proper planning grounds, some possibilities were outlined. The Parish Council would to their utmost to ensure that Much Hoole was included at every level of consultation and had provided a paper outlining the response address. People who didn't have internet would be provided with the address to write to and information would go on the village Facebook page and on the council website. Drop-in sessions are to be held at several venues within Central Lancashire. After lengthy and full discussions, Cllr Taylor then re-opened the Parish council Meeting
	5	Actions As there wasn't time to get leaflets printed and delivered it was Resolved to get large posters made with relevant information and put on all notice boards and on social

		<p>media sites. There will be further discussion of actions at the next regular Parish council meeting, when members have time to get thoughts together.</p>
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The next regular council meeting will be on: **Wednesday 12th February 7.30 in the Methodist Church Hall.**