

COUNCIL

At a Special meeting of the Council on Wednesday, 20 October 2010 in the Bridge Suite, Stobart Stadium, Widnes

Present: Councillors Wright, Austin, P. Blackmore, M. Bradshaw, J. Bradshaw, Browne, Bryant, D. Cargill, E. Cargill, C. Carlin, Dennett, Edge, Findon, M. Fry, Gerrard, J. Gerrard, Gilligan, Harris, Hignett, M. Hodge, Hodgkinson, D. Inch, Jones, M Lloyd Jones, P. Lloyd Jones, Loftus, A. Lowe, J. Lowe, A. Macmanus, McDermott, McInerney, Morley, Murray, Nelson, Nolan, Norddahl, Osborne, Parker, Philbin, Polhill, M. Ratcliffe, Redhead, J. Roberts, Rowe, Shepherd, Stockton, Swain, Thompson, Wainwright, Wallace and Wharton

Apologies for Absence: Councillors Balmer, Horabin, Howard, Leadbetter and E. Ratcliffe

Absence declared on Council business: None

Officers present: M. Reaney, D. Johnson, I. Leivesley, D. Parr, D. Tregea, G. Cook, G. Meehan, C. Lawley, A. Scott and A. Jones

Also in attendance: Seven members of the public and one representative from the press

Action

COU48 HALEBANK VILLAGE GREEN APPLICATION

The Council considered a report of the Operational Director, Legal and Democratic Services on the determination of the application that land at Halebank be designated village green.

Members were advised that there had been two applications for Village Green status for the same plot of Council-owned land in Halebank. Both applications were made by Mrs Florence Hurley. The Council was both owner of the affected land and the registration authority under the Commons Act 2006. It was noted that registration authority decisions were matters reserved to the Council. The first Application had been determined in October 2007 and the Second Application was now to be determined.

RESOLVED: That, having regard to the first Application dated 20 September 2006, representations received, the Inspector's report dating from Summer 2007, observations on the representations and the information

contained in the report, the Second Application made under the Commons Act 2006 by Mrs Florence Hurley and dated 3 June 2007 be determined as follows:-

1) in respect of the land at Halebank hatched blue on the attached plan be not designated as village green for the purposes of Part 1 of the Commons Act 2006 on the grounds of lack of evidence of qualifying usage specific to that area; and that

2) in respect of the land at Halebank hatched red on the attached plan which had previously been dedicated by the Council as Landowner, that red-hatched land be now designated as village green for the purposes of Part 1 of the Commons Act 2006 for the purposes of games, exercise and dog walking.

Meeting ended at 7.25 p.m.