

PILLING PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON WEDNESDAY 9th OCTOBER, 2019,
At 7.00pm
AT St. JOHN'S CHURCH HALL,
SCHOOL LANE, PILLING



Present: Councillors; *J. Savage , Chairman,*
N. Cookson, Vice-Chairman
Mrs. E. Cookson,
Mrs. J. Judkins,
P. McWhirter,
E. Moorat,
S. Phillpotts,
Mrs. A Robertson,
Gillian Benson, Clerk to the Parish Council,
Lancashire County Council Salter
21 Residents and Guests

4806. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr. J. Barton and G. Curwen for this meeting. Wyre Cllr. G. Holden also sent apologies.

4807. NOTIFICATION OF INTERESTS

Councillors were asked to declare interests in the matters to be discussed and reminded that changes to their Register of Interests must be made within 28 days.

4808. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Resolved: The minutes of the meeting held on 11th September, 2019 having been circulated, were agreed and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

4809. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Standing Orders were suspended to allow guests to speak

Public Footpath 30, through Tayban Site

Residents from Moss House Lane are anxious at the closure of the public footpath through the Tayban site as the alternative route uses narrow lanes with no pavements or street lighting onto the main arterial road to Garstang. The residents spoke to give their grave safety concerns. Create Homes, who are building the houses on site, attended and received and understood the problems, although it is Lancashire County Council who dictated the alternative route. Create Homes are to look at finding a workable solution and will meet again with the Parish Council and residents next week.

Lancashire County Councillor Salter

Woods Lane is getting worse, but Lancashire County Council is moving forward with the repairs. There are difficulties with the barrier and containment system which is needed before the inlay on top. The work is high priority and should be completed within a few months. It was suggested that engineers could look to lower the road levels as was done with other moss roads?

The recent flooding did not enter homes, due mainly to residents taking action, Lancashire County Council was uncontactable and again the emergency response for Pilling failed. Councillors raised the lack of a responsible person during flooding to take overall responsibility, but were told that Wyre Council should be contacted in the first place. The Making Space for Water members are to walk along the main routes to see for themselves and invite Councillors to attend on 15th October. Both, Paul Long, Wyre Council and Paul Bond, Environment Agency will be walking.

Standing Orders were reintroduced and the meeting resumed.

4810. FREE ATM FOR PILLING?

Resolved: Cllr. E. Moorat had found information on a possible ATM machine which could be installed in Pilling Village; he will make further enquiries as to the details and report back.

4811. COMMUNITY HALL PROJECT

The Community Hall is close to signing documents to access funding and start building. Whilst the details have yet to be confirmed the committee wished to inform the Parish Council they will shortly have a definite figure for the shortfall and therefore for the Parish Council to consider a loan from Wyre Council depending on the details supplied. The build project cost is £813,000 with further grant sources lined up to equip the internal requirements. Cllr. E. Moorat presented the Parish Council with possible scenarios for a Wyre Council loan for £50,000 and £25,000.

Cllr. P. McWhirter, Cllr. E. Moorat, Cllr. S. Phillpotts and Cllr. J. Savage declared an interest as members of the Community Hall Committee

Resolved: Councillors thanked the members for the information on a possible loan requirement and investigations will be made as to how the Parish Council pursues a loan.

4812. COUNCILLORS REPRESENTATIVES

Resolved: The Parish Council representatives were reviewed in light of new members and updated.

4813. HR COMMITTEE

Recommendations from the internal audit state that the Parish Lengthsman contract of employment is brought up to date by using the latest version available.

Resolved: In order to implement this; the HR Committee will convene initially to review the contract plus a number of policies which should be given to the Parish Lengthsman.

4814. PARTNERSHIP WORKING

Stalmine Parish Council is canvassing opinion of other councils in Over Wyre to see if they would be interested in having a joint meeting - once or a year - to discuss issues common to all. Initial topics suggested were planning and the impact on services within the area such as the medical centre, the A588 with the increased traffic and speed limits on its adjacent lanes, ambulance response times and the ability to cope with the increased demand from this increased population. The idea is that this would facilitate a common approach to the issues that are specific to our area.

Resolved: Pilling Parish Council is in favour of the possible power behind the Over Wyre Parishes working together and would be pleased to attend.

4815. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**Prior approval not required:**

19/00843/HPN

Location: 12 Smallwood Hey Road, Pilling**Proposal:** Single storey rear extension. The enlarged part of the dwellinghouse (the extension) will extend beyond the rear wall of the original dwellinghouse by 3.6 metres. The maximum height of the enlarged part of the dwellinghouse will be 2.9 metres. The height of the eaves of the enlarged part of the dwellinghouse will be 2.85 metres**Granted Planning Applications:**

19/00656/FUL

Proposal: Change of use of land for the siting of three glamping pods for holiday accommodation**Location:** Kurloon Horse Park Lane Pilling**Planning Applications for consideration and comment:**

19/00922/FUL

Proposal: Change of use of domestic outbuilding into one detached dwelling and raising of roof (amendment to approved application 17/00656/FUL)**Location:** Old Bell Cottage School Lane Pilling*Resolved: The Parish Council has no objections to this planning application and seeks neighbourhood notification.*

19/00938/FUL

Proposal: Erection of replacement dwelling (following demolition of existing dwelling)**Location:** Squires Gate Farm Head Dyke Lane Pilling*Resolved: The Parish Council has no objections to this planning application and seeks neighbourhood notification.***4816. FINANCE**

Payments received since the previous meeting:

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| 1. Bank Interest – September | £ 1.98 |
| 2. Zurich insurance - Bus shelter | £3,680.00 |

Standing Order credit

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| 1. St. John's Church – Grounds Maintenance | £ 65.00 |
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Resolved: Councillors agreed the following invoices are paid:

Cheque	Payee	Amount	Details
2846	Parish Lengthsman	£ 35.82	Expenses
2847	Parish Clerk	£265.72	Expenses, Incl. ANPR signs
2848	Catterall Parish Council	£151.45	Phone and stationery
2849	Wyre Building Supplies	£ 37.23	
2850	Kirkland Parish Council	£ 99.00	Combined subscriptions
2851	North West in Bloom	£ 30.00	Awards ceremony
2852	St. John's Church	£ 20.00	Room Rental
2854	Royal British Legion	£ 17.50	Poppy Wreath
2856	Parish and Town Training	£189.00	New Councillor training courses
2857	Wyre Building Supplies	£ 4.50	Duct Tape
2858	C and C Supplies	£ 38.19	PPE
	Total	£888.41	

Monthly Standing Orders/Direct Debits

Staff costs	£3,092.06
Easy-Web-Sites	£ 27.60
St. John's Church Hall – Access to facilities	£100.00

Bank Reconciliation and Financial Statements

Resolved the bank reconciliation and Financial Statement to 2nd October, 2019 were accepted by Councillors.

Financial Statement reported:

Increase in Pilling in Bloom sponsorship and insurance payment for bus shelter.

Higher maintenance costs due to shelter accident, ANPR repairs and Parish property upkeep. Stationery purchase and increase cost for bumper Newsletter.

Resolved: Funds are vired from contingencies to Parish Maintenance

4817. VERBAL REPORTS FOR INFORMATION ONLY**Pilling in Bloom**

Tickets for the award ceremony in Southport to be paid from In Bloom account, results are not known until the event in November.

Report of the representative on the Pilling New Community Hall

Cllr. P. McWhirter added that the present shortfall is £45,000 and members are actively fundraising to reduce this amount with events and the 'Buy a Brick' initiative.

Pilling Flood Action Group/Wyre Flood Forum/ Water Meeting

Minutes of the recent Water Meeting in Pilling sent to Councillors for information.

Cllr. J. Barton, Cllr. N. Cookson and Cllr. Mrs. J. Judkins attended the Pilling FLAG meeting; which was well attended. Wyre Council to be messaged with problems. The clearing of dykes in Pilling is to take place and the Parish Council are asked to donate £50 to the work? This work should clear water from Carr Lane, Wheel Lane and others in the village.

Cllr. N. Cookson reported on the present flooding; Monday night's tide was the highest recorded and the Broadfleet was overtopping its banks. Inspections of the tidal doors proved how little they opened even with this force, the Environment Agency needs to seriously look at the situation.

4817. QUESTIONS FOR COUNCILLORS**Flooding on Wheel Lane**

Cllr. McWhirter thanked those who carried out dyke drainage off Wheel Lane this soon lowered the recent flood water levels.

Pilling Embankment

It was raised that dog walkers are using the seawall, despite the Environment Agency signs giving closure dates, no access between Boxing Day and Good Friday and there were sheep worrying incidents again this year.

River Broadfleet

Recent wet weather has raised the river level; which has been unable to get away against the high tides. Cllr. N. Cookson had liaised with the Environment Agency to progress action, but the doors don't open fully.

Community Field

A depression on the field was raised which will be investigated when dry, it is part of the drainage system from Memorial Road houses.

Stakepool Traffic Lights

The Chairman raised the regular use of traffic lights at the junction of Lancaster Road and Garstang Road during the residential developments; some of which are working outside their allotted license dates. Many residents have complained to Councillors and, through Cllr. Salter, Lancashire County Council admits agreed times have not been managed well. The timeline for these disruptions should be sorted at planning when considering a major planning application.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.25pm.

Chairman

Date