

PILLING PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF PILLING PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON WEDNESDAY
14TH JUNE 2023 at 7pm



Present:

Pilling Parish Councillors;

*N. Cookson, Chairman
G. Curwen, Vice Chairman,
Mrs. S. Collinge,
Mrs. E. Cookson,
S. Irvine,
P. McWhirter,
J. Savage
A. Whiteside,
Gillian Benson, Clerk to the Parish Council
Wyre Councillor Leigh
One Resident*

The Chairman welcomed our new Parish Councillor Mrs. S. Collinge and Wyre Councillor Adam Leigh to their first meeting.

5295. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr. S. Phillpotts.

5296. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

Councillors asked to declare any interests on agenda matters and reminded that any change in interests must be notified to the clerk within 28 days.

Cllr. G. Curwen, Cllr. P. McWhirter and Cllr. J. Savage declared their interests as members of Pilling Village Hall Committee.

Cllr. Mrs. J. Judkins declared an interest in Pilling Community Action and Pilling in Bloom invoices.

5297. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Resolved: The minutes of the meeting held on 17th May 2023 having been circulated, were agreed and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

5298. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Resolved: Standing Orders were suspended to allow guests to talk.

Wyre Councillor Leigh

Wyre Councillor Leigh is looking forward to working closely with the Councillors. Members raised matters for Wyre's attention including planning enforcement on two properties and an environmental health issue on Eagland Hill. Site visits will be arranged.

Mrs. C. Rushforth, as a resident informed the Council of a recent dog incident, as the Wyre Councillor at Preesall she reported to the Police and Wyre Council who are pursuing matters. Straying dogs or dog attacks should be reported to Wyre Council asking for dog enforcement or the Police using 111 or 999 depending on severity.

Lancashire County Councillor Matthew Salter

Cllr. Salter sent bad news with regards to Smallwood Hey as it will not be resurfaced, he is trying to arrange a site visit to press the urgency. This will be very frustrating for the parish council and our residents, and I would like to apologise on behalf of Lancashire County Council, but I will continue to push for Smallwood Hey as my top priority. It was raised that some potholes have been filled.

Resolved: The Parish Council meeting resumed, and Standing Orders were brought back.

5299. CLERK'S REPORT

Resolved: Broadfleet Sensory Garden owner contact is being sought.

5300. GARSTANG ROAD DEFIBRILLATOR

Create Homes appears to be reneging on their promise to install an electric point for the Garstang Road Defibrillator. Contact with Lancashire County Council means it is possible to run this defibrillator from the lamp post at the junction with Horse Park Lane using a feeder pillar. BUT there is an initial cost for installation and ongoing costs to the Parish Council. Anticipated costs for similar works at the proposed location to be in the region of £1000.

Parish Council would also require an unmetered supply agreement for energy consumption (which Parish Council has for Christmas lights), Public Liability Insurance of £10M, and enter a S50 agreement which our Asset Management team will be able to advise further on.

Resolved: The Council confirms it believes Create Homes have no intention of carrying out their promise to install electric for a defibrillator.

Resolved: Parish Council will in principle pursue the feeder pillar from Lancashire County Council applying to Wind Turbine Fund for assistance.

5301. DEFIBRILLATORS

The initial five defibrillators will be five years old in August, this marks the end of the warranty, they are all working and programmed to instruct when repairs are necessary. Councillors considered are the defibrillators to be serviced now and costs paid or pay for repairs as needed? Servicing is a set cost with variables of any repairs. Repair as needed may involve higher costs, but Councillors could consider costs against replacement at the time.

Resolved: To pay for repairs as necessary, costs will be considered by the full council.

5302. ANPR

The ANPR camera at Growing with Nature has stopped working, the one at Horn's is working. Contacted Suvision;

Whilst we have now withdrawn our service for supplying Sim cards for communication, we would in your instance be prepared to offer maintenance of your system on the following basis.

1. One of engineers visit site to review the Camera and advise requirements to bring back online (at Growing with Nature) discounted cost - £375.00 (Normally £450)
2. Supply Sim card for communication and have a further (2-no) Engineer service calls at all-inclusive cost of £1000.00 for 12 Months from receipt of order.

Councillors are asked to consider this quote and the future of ANPR in Eagland Hill.

Resolved: To apply to Grantscape for funding towards costs.

5303. ORCHARD END ADVISORY GROUP

Pilling Parish Council has a vacancy on this group. Cllr. N. Cookson has a place, but we can have two Councillors. Next meeting 31st August.

Resolved: Grantscape will be informed Cllr. P. McWhirter will be the representative

5304. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**Planning Application Granted:**

22/01221/FUL

Proposal: Proposed erection of one dwelling

Location: Toulouse Garstang Road Pilling

Planning Application for comment:

23/00406/FUL

Proposal: First floor extension to rear with alterations to existing ground floor rear extension and addition of three pitched roofs to front elevation.

Location: Merry Field Garstang Road Pilling

Resolved: The Parish Council has no objections to this planning application and seeks neighbourhood notification.

23/00452/FUL

Proposal: Retrospective application for the erection of an extension to an existing agricultural livestock building

Location: Bradshaw Lane Farm Bradshaw Lane Pilling

Resolved: The Parish Council has no objections to this planning application and seeks neighbourhood notification.

23/00495/DEM

Proposal: Prior notification for demolition of 1no. timber lean to and 1no. partial glasshouse

Location: Fernleigh Nursery Lancaster Road Pilling

Resolved: The Parish Council has no objections to this planning application and seeks neighbourhood notification.

23/00497/FUL

Proposal: Proposed first floor rear balcony (re-submission of planning application 23/00099/FUL)

Location: 1 Middle Birks Bradshaw Lane Pilling

Resolved: The Parish Council objects to this application based on neighbouring impact.

5305. FINANCE**Audit 2022 – 2023**

Due to a change in audit requirements information of staff costs is recorded differently. Therefore, last year's figures were restated in line with the present requirements.

Councillors scrutinised the following for signing:

Resolved: Chairman signed Year End 2022 – 2023 Signed by the Chairman and Responsible Financial Officer

Resolved: Internal Auditor's Report is received and noted. Action Plan presented in July.

Resolved: Chairman and Clerk signed Section 1 Annual Governance Statement 2022 – 2023

Resolved: Chairman and Clerk signed Section 2 Accounting Statements 2022 – 2023

Dates for the public rights to inspect the accounts are 5th June to 14th July

Income:

1. St. John's Church	£ 25.00	Grounds Maintenance
2. G. Benson	£ 74.17	Repayment due to tax changes
3. HMRC	£2,141.95	VAT Refund
4. Moon's Trust Grant	£800.00	Parish Map
5. Cash Donation	£100.00	Pilling in Bloom
6. Cash Donation	£ 20.00	Coronation Afternoon Tea
7. Lancashire County Council	£800.00	Parish Lengthsman Scheme and Environmental grant £500 and £300

Councillors resolved the following Payments.

Payee		Reason
S. Raby	£542.91	Wages and expenses
G. Benson	£ 81.99	Expenses
Towers and Gornall	£ 68.40	Accountant Services
Glasdon Ltd.	£378.38	Litter bins
Mrs. E. Roodhouse	£ 2.00	Seat Rent on Smallwood Hey Road
Laburnum Nurseries	£719.94	Pilling in Bloom
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Mrs. J. Judkins	£ 34.59	Pilling Community Action
Mrs. J. Judkins	£118.88	Pilling in Bloom £153.47
	£1,956.53	

Standing Orders/Direct Debits

1. Staff costs for May	£3,236.23
2. Easy-Web-Sites	£ 27.60
3. Pilling Village Hall rental	£100.00

Bank Reconciliation to 31st May 2023

Resolved: Councillors scrutinised and accepted the document.

Reserve Account Transfer

Resolved: To transfer £10,000 to support payments in current account.

5306. VERBAL REPORTS FOR INFORMATION ONLY**Coronation Afternoon Tea**

Cllr. Mrs. E. Cookson noted that the 80th anniversary of D-Day will be 6th June 2024. The Afternoon Tea will be held on Wednesday 5th June 2024 at Pilling Village Hall. Entertainment will be sought.

Pilling In Bloom

Cllr. Mrs. J. Judkins reported she's produced and submitted the North West in Bloom Portfolio, judging on Thursday 6th July. Thanks are extended to Stan and Denis and their helpers. The service road hedge will be levelled soon.

Report of the representative on Pilling Village Hall

Cllr. P. McWhirter reported on Moon's Trust grant towards the all-inclusive round-about. Heritage funding being sought by committee members to extend the Village Hall by 2metres to store and give access to Pilling records held by residents.

Pilling Water Problems

Cllr. A. Whiteside reported Damside road has collapsed again and tankering is a daily event, but work should start within 28days.

Our Future Coast

Cllr. N. Cookson reported on the 22nd May meeting held in Pilling Village Hall with Cllr. A. Whiteside. The Environment Agency were unaware of drainage changes in 1980s to alleviate heavy rainfall draining into the River Wyre. A pump at Broadfleet outfall was discussed and a suggestion of wind turbine power was welcomed. Local farmers reported their flooded fields prevented planting in Spring as they are too wet. Acknowledgement of the sea wall holding up water was made and a change of gates to the Cockerham system was noted. The next meeting will be November 2023.

Pilling Community Action

Cllr. Mrs. J. Judkins reported on the next project titled 'Flying Colours' the artist Lynsey Phoenix-Heart will create flags from parachutes. The group are ready for Coffee Feast. Morecambe Bay is creatively reimagining our future coast with recent events. Feather flags are to be purchased for display in the Parish.

Open Spaces in Pilling

Wyre Council asked parishes to confirm the open spaces in their area. It was noted the Jubilee Football Field is now a graveyard, the Village Hall field is used for football and the Golden Ball has no available green space.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.40pm.

Chairman

Date