

**PILLING PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE**  
**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

**HELD ON WEDNESDAY 4<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER, 2017,**

**AT PILLING READING ROOMS,**  
**SCHOOL LANE, PILLING**



*Present:*                      *Councillors; J. Savage, Chairman,*  
*G. Curwen, Vice-Chairman,*  
*E. Moorat, Vice-Chairman,*  
*J. Barton,*  
*N. Cookson,*  
*P. McWhirter,*  
*Mrs. B. Schofield,*  
*Mrs. D. Schofield, W. Whiteside*  
*Gillian Benson, Clerk to the Parish Council*

Following the recent sudden death of County Councillor Viv Taylor the Chairman held a minute's silence.

**4541. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Cllr. Mrs. E. Cookson for this meeting.

**4542. 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.

**4543. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

*Resolved: The minutes of the meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> September, 2017 having been circulated, were amended to record Cllr. Mrs. D. Schofield's did not agree to the re-siting of the seat at Stakepool. The minutes were then agreed and signed by the Chairman as a true record.*

**4544. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

The meeting was suspended to allow residents to speak.

**Including Police Report**

**September Crimes** – Two young men walking dogs on a lead were approached by an older man with a dog not on a lead, when the dogs started jumping up the older male wrestled the dog on the lead down the embankment. He let the dog go but verbally abused the young men and threatened to kill their dog. A resident felt harassed and distressed by received messages via a social messaging app. A resident walking on Garstang Road was threatened by the occupants of a car who drove passed shouting abuse then stopped, got out and threatened the resident with an object before driving off at speed.

**Anti-Social Behaviour** – Occupants of a vehicle were seen throwing litter whilst driving, opening the doors in the process and two neighbours were complaining about each other's behaviour.

The meeting was resumed.

**4547. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The following planning applications were **granted**:

*17/00064/DIS*

**Proposal:** Discharge of conditions 2 (materials) and 4 (drainage scheme) relating to planning permission 17/000647FUL

**Location:** Site of Former Auction Mart Lancaster Road Pilling

*17/00251/FUL*

**Proposal:** Change of use of mixed use agricultural /equine building to horse box manufacture unit (B2 use)

**Location:** Longwood Barn Longwood Lane Pilling

*17/00801/FUL*

**Proposal:** Retrospective extension to domestic curtilage, erection of domestic garage/outbuilding and single-storey side extension to dwelling (resubmission of 17/00545/FUL)

**Location:** 2 Tarn Cottage New Lane Eagland Hill Pilling

**Councillors made comment on the following planning application;**

***17/00863/FUL***

**Proposal:** Single storey extension

**Location:** The Old Byre Shaws Lane Pilling

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

***17/00873/FUL***

**Proposal:** Proposed garage conversion and extension to granny annexe

**Location:** Coleraine Lancaster Road Pilling

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

***17/00886/LBC***

**Proposal:** Listed building consent for change of use of Grade II listed building from hotel (Use Class C1) to residential dwelling (Use Class C3)

**Location:** Springfield House Hotel 18 Wheel Lane Pilling

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

***17/00885/FUL***

**Proposal:** Change of use of Grade II listed building from hotel (Use Class C1) to residential dwelling (Use Class C3)

**Location:** Springfield House Hotel 18 Wheel Lane Pilling

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

***17/00895/FUL***

**Proposal:** Single and two storey rear extension

**Location:** 3 South View Garstang Road Pilling

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

**4548. FINANCE**

Payments received since the previous meeting:

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| 1. St John's Church Clothes Collections | £107.60 |
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**Standing Order credit**

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| 1. St. John's Church – Grounds Maintenance | £ 65.00 |
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Councillors considered and approved payment for the following accounts; Please note cheques for Celebrate Pilling are from a Lottery grant and those for Eagland Hill ANPR are from Grantscape and not the Parish Council, who is administering these funds.

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| 1. Clerk's salary adjustments and expenses       | £ 58.53 |                     |
| 2. Parish Lengthsman wage and expenses           | £ 48.60 |                     |
| 3. Catterall Parish Council                      | £ 20.79 | Phone and Broadband |
| 4. Pilling Reading Rooms                         | £ 20.00 | Meeting Room Rental |
| 5. St. John's Church Hall                        | £ 20.00 | Water Meeting       |
| 6. H M Revenue and Customs                       | £957.13 | Second Quarter      |
| 7. Sue White Secretarial Services – Pilling News | £313.50 |                     |
| 8. F H an M Davis and Son – Winter Pansies       | £ 72.00 |                     |
| 9. Wyre Council – ANPR planning application      | £192.50 |                     |

Please note last month's cheque to submit this planning application was an incorrect amount, it's slightly cheaper than we thought!! Cheque 002558 will be made void.

**Monthly Standing Orders/Direct Debits**

Staff costs	£1,660.00
Local Government Pension Scheme	£794.88
Prudential AVC	£350.00.
Easy-Web-Sites	£ 24.00
St. John's Church Hall – Access to facilities	£100.00

**4549. VERBAL REPORTS FOR INFORMATION ONLY****Chairman's Report**

The Chairman referred to the RAF centenary and suggested Pilling in Bloom could plant up appropriately next year.

**Report from Pilling in Bloom**

The triangle and the flag bed at the top of Bradshaw Lane have been planted with Winter Pansies. The two tubs at the new field needed extra compost and have now been planted with Pansies.

**Report of the representative on the Pilling Memorial Hall Committee/Pilling 20:20**

Cllr. E. Moorat reported on the successful liaison with Wyre Council and the delivery of two litter bins for the new field. The largest of the bins will also be emptied by Wyre each week. The six stations on the trim trail are completed and two picnic tables are installed, the car park has been extended and this is to be used as a compound for stone during the trim trail construction.

The two football pitches are in use at weekends by Cockerham football club. Horses have left deep holes in the field, due to it being so wet, so have been prohibited along with motorbikes.

**Celebrate Pilling**

Cllr. E. Moorat reported that the last of the grant has been used, plus a donation from the Memorial Hall, to purchase a tent to be used on the new field.

**England Hill ANPR**

Cllr. Mrs. D. Schofield reported on the submission of the planning application for the second ANPR camera on Woods Lane, the digger work will be more expensive this time and submission to Grantscape funding will be made by 18<sup>th</sup> January, 2018. Last week the Walney Wind Turbine Fund awarded £6,000.01 to replace the windows in England Hill School Room.

**Wyre's Local Plan**

The Parish Council has a hard copy of Wyre's Local Plan for public consultation with Pilling residents. An open meeting will be held on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October between 7 – 9pm for viewing purposes.

**Halite Community Panel**

Cllr. Mrs. D. Schofield reported on the recent initial meeting with community organisations in the area, a constitution will be presented at the next meeting in November. Halite will be starting work at Hall Road, Stalmine with 9 of the 19 approved caverns up to 2025. The salt outfall pipe goes out 2 miles from Rossall beach and the increase in salt levels could kill marine life in Morecambe Bay according to a marine engineer, the gas pipeline goes through to Nateby. She was concerned that there appears to be no monitoring of possible cracks in the caverns or impact on the surrounding land. 80% of the energy in Britain comes from gas and the pipeline should be on the network by 2019/20.

**Auction Mart Development**

Councillors have been approached by a business in Stakepool who fears the impact of the residential development on the Auction Mart. Some of the work off site will involve traffic lights on Lancaster Road and Garstang Road whilst new sewage pipes are installed. The Parish Council is meeting with Lancashire County Council to discuss the road layout and will be able to advise residents better.

**Water Meeting**

Concern was expressed at the inability of agencies to deliver with farmers being ignored against urban areas. The Parish Council is being excluded in decisions in the area. The growing problem of silt on the seaward side of the wall was raised and Adam Briggs, NFU is to contact the MMO to allow farmers to do the work, once the Environment Agency has completed on 23<sup>rd</sup> October. We still have the same outstanding problems of an undersized outfall, an increase in the amount of water in the system and pinch points in this system holding back water levels throughout the hinterland. Cat Smith MP asked for history on conditions 15 – 20 years ago comparing it with now from farmers, to present to the Secretary of State and asking what the Government is going to do about it?

Cllr. Barton added the very noticeable drop in levels last week as the Environment Agency started their clearing programme. Thanks were expressed to Cllr. Barton for liaising and hopefully will see action.

**4550. QUESTIONS TO COUNCILLORS****Unsafe Stile on Footpath No. 8**

The stile on footpath number 8, between Libby Lane and Duck Street was reported.

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

Chairman .....

Date .....