

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

**HELD ON WEDNESDAY 10<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY, 2016, at 7.00pm**

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



*Present:*                      *Councillors; J. Savage, Chairman,*  
*G. Curwen, Vice-Chairman,*  
*E. Moorat, Vice-Chairman,*  
*J. Barton,*  
*Mrs. E. Cookson*  
*N. Cookson,*  
*S. Morley,*  
*Mrs. B. Schofield,*  
*Mrs. D. Schofield,*  
*W. Whiteside*  
*Gillian Benson, Clerk to the Parish Council*  
*Lancashire County Councillor Vivien Taylor,*  
*Wyre Councillor Graham Holden*

**4330. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

No apologies were received.

**4331. 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.

**4332. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

*Resolved: The minutes of the meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> January, 2016 having been circulated, were agreed and signed by the Chairman as a true record.*

**4333. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

The meeting was suspended to allow residents to speak.

**Police Report**

Crimes reported have seen an offender driving a pick up truck, which became stuck in the verge on Bradshaw Lane, after overtaking a slow moving tractor. The driver then repeatedly revved the engine moving the truck backwards and forwards in an attempt to get out of the soft ground causing a 40ft long channel before driving off undetected. A male was reported for assaulting his ex partner in the village.

**Wyre Councillor Graham Holden**

The new walls at the traveller's site in Preesall have permission and are being monitored. The collection of vehicles at Broadfleet Cottage, Damside was raised and this has been reported to Neil Greenwood in Wyre's enforcement for action. Wyre Council's reply to Lancashire County Council's bus service cuts was discussed and there was confusion that as the budget would be set on 11<sup>th</sup> February why was consultation continuing until 27<sup>th</sup> March? Councillors referred to the 2c and 89H

services which serve Pilling and that the Police have stepped up checks on drivers over 75.

### **Lancashire County Councillor Taylor**

Cllr. Taylor reported on the budget meeting to take place on 11<sup>th</sup> February, adding that the Conservatives had presented a workable budget within the cuts to minimise the impact on rural deprivation and rural isolation, but we would have to wait for the outcome.

The meeting was resumed.

#### **4334. ANPR CAMERA**

The clerk enquired from the Police information from the Eagland Hill cameras being monitored directly by the Police therefore action can be taken when a 'known' number plate is triggered. This was their reply: The Police are aware that Eagland Hill has applied for funding with a view to having CCTV/ANPR within the hamlet and liaising with residents as to the process etc. The CCTV/ANPR cameras would not link in with the Police at all it would simply be another line of enquiry should something happen. The Police would approach the system controller requesting details of any vehicles having triggered the cameras during a certain time and then commence enquiries with the police systems. This happens at present with standard CCTV systems at houses, businesses etc however the ANPR element simply gives the Police details of vehicles passing through, these would be retained by the Police and not passed out to anyone else due to data protection issues.

Councillors considered this information plus there is no allowance on the budget for next year and decided to wait for the outcome of the Eagland Hill cameras system and perhaps return to ANPR cameras at a future date.

*Resolved: Councillors considered the system was not viable and would not pursue the installation of ANPR cameras at this time.*

#### **4335. STANDING ORDERS, FINANCIAL REGULATIONS, ASSET REGISTER AND RISK ASSESSMENTS**

Additional information was added to the Asset Register and a separate Register will be included for Pilling in Bloom assets. This will be re-presented next month.

*Resolved: Councillors reviewed their copies of Standing Orders, Financial Regulations and Risk Assessments and agreed with no changes.*

#### **4336. CONSULTATION ON THE POTENTIAL MORECAMBE BAY AND DUDDON ESTUARY SPECIAL PROTECTION AREA**

Consultation by Natural England to amalgamate the Morecambe Bay and Duddon Estuary and extend the protection area seaward and landward. Councillors considered the consultation and commented that it makes sense to protect all the area under one authority, with the provision that the river outfall channels are kept free of silt to alleviate flooding issues.

*Resolved: Councillors have no objections to this merger.*

#### **4337. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

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

***16/00033/FUL***

**Proposal:** Single storey rear extension

**Location:** 1 Holme Close Pilling

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

**16/00086/FUL**

**Proposal:** Proposed extension to building for storage (B8) and workshop for use in association with landscaping and tree cutting business and hardstanding area (B2)

**Location:** Merry Field Garstang Road Pilling

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

**16/00079/OUT**

**Proposal:** Outline application for one dwelling with proposed access from Bradshaw Lane with layout and scale applied for (all matters reserved)

**Location:** Land adj. to 1, Church Cottages, New Lane, Eagland Hill, Pilling

*Resolved: The Parish Council has no planning objections to this planning application and seeks neighbourhood notification. But concern over the imposing size of the proposed dwelling against the surrounding houses, use and access to the existing cesspit and off road parking will no accommodate four vehicles.*

**4338. FINANCE****Finance Committee**

The finance committee met to sign off the second and third quarter accounts and recommend a transfer to the reserve account of £315.86.

*Resolved: To transfer £315.86 to the Reserve Account.*

Payments received since the previous meeting:

1. Bank Interest	£ 0.30
2. Lancashire County Council – PRow	£ 30.00
3. Catterall Parish Council	£448.25

**Standing Order credit**

1. St. John's Church – Grounds Maintenance	£ 65.00
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*Resolved: Councillors accepted the following invoices for payment:*

1. Clerk's salary adjustments and expenses	£ 90.10	
2. Parish Lengthsman wage and expenses	£ 59.15	
3. Prudential AVC Contribution	£250.00	Additional Voluntary
4. Catterall Parish Council	£ 17.71	Phone and Broadband
5. Cornthwaites Farm Machinery -	£1,158.00	New trailer
6. Sue White Secretarial Services	£247.95	
7. Catterall Parish Council	£298.80	Barrels for PiB
8. Houghton's Filling Station	£ 80.02	
9. Furness Building Society	£315.86	Reserve Account
10. Pilling Reading Room	£ 15.00	Room rental

**Monthly Standing Orders/Direct Debits**

Staff costs	£1,730.00
Local Government Pension Scheme	£707.02
Easy-Web-Sites	£ 24.00
St. John's Church Hall – Room Rental	£ 80.00

**Bank Reconciliation**

*Resolved: Bank reconciliation to 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2016 was accepted.*

**4339. VERBAL REPORTS FOR INFORMATION ONLY****Chairman's Report**

The Chairman is to attend a Planning Ambassador's meeting to review another survey carried out by North Star Consultation to dictate the number of new houses, but this was carried out a few years ago to last until 2030 and the Chairman is at a loss to know why it is being repeated so soon.

This year will see Queen Elizabeth's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday and the Parish Council will contact the school to see what they are planning and can Councillors assist in any way. Cllr. Mrs. D. Schofield added that Eagland Hill was having a celebration with an initial meeting next month. The Chairman encouraged councillors to attend the playground inspection course offered recently.

The Council has received a letter of thanks from Catterall Parish Council for 'hiring out' the Parish Lengthsman's services to carry out work on Catterall Playing Field. The Council undertook a number of projects which required more manpower, including drainage, dyke clearing and creating a hard standing for the Police speed van.

**Senior Citizen's Christmas Party**

Cllr. Mrs. E. Cookson thanked Councillors for the gift of flowers in recognition of the work she expounds on the Christmas Party.

**Report of the representatives on the Pilling Memorial Hall Committee/Pilling 20 20**

Houses are all underway on the old Memorial Hall site and the developer has carried out work on the new field with these items to be finished off soon. The field has been waterlogged, but once drier the car parks will be created with access to the play area, so that it can be used. The committee have written a business plan and it may be that the hall will be modular built off site and finished in situ. The final design should be ready for Easter, but only when the design is completed can grant funding begin. The 'depression' was raised with a suggestion to plant bulrushes.

**Pilling Heart and Soul**

Cllr. E. Moorat reported on the expansion of defibrillator coverage and suggested Pilling Pottery as the next site. The cover will be erected soon and he asked that a defibrillator was ordered, with funding coming from the clothes collection and the Moons Trust? Councillors agreed. The next location suggested was Garstang Road.

**Report of the representative on Carter's Charity**

Cllr. Mrs. E. Cookson reported that the school was enquiring about funding for a Multi Use Games Area costing £10,000, £4,000 the school have to put towards it, but no formal request has been made to make a decision on.

**Water Meeting**

The Environment Agency met with the Parish Council and local farmers over the reinstatement of the pipes in the sea wall and the final design will be ready in three months. The scheme is a pilot one to be rolled out in the North West.

**4340. QUESTIONS TO COUNCILLORS****Potholes in Bone Hill Lane**

These will be reported to Lancashire County Council.

**Culvert damage**

A culvert at the rear of Tomlinson's Farm, on the dyke, is damaged and could cause problems.

**30 MPH on Lancaster Road**

The clerk was asked to chase up progress of the proposed 30 MPH on Lancaster Road.

*There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.15pm.*

Chairman .....

Date .....