

# PILLING PARISH COUNCIL

## **MINUTES OF PILLING PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

**HELD ON WEDNESDAY  
10<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2024 following the  
Annual Parish Meeting**



*Present:*

*Pilling Parish Councillors;*

*Neil Cookson, Chairman  
Graham Curwen, Vice Chairman,  
Sarah Collinge,  
Elizabeth Cookson,  
Scott Irvine,  
Mrs. J. Judkins,  
Steve Phillpotts,  
John Savage,  
Paul McWhirter,  
Alf Whiteside,  
Gillian Benson, Clerk to the Parish Council*

### **5413. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Wyre Councillor Adam Leigh.

### **5414 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

Councillors declared 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 as a member of Pilling Community Action.

### **5415 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

*Resolved: The minutes of the meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> March 2024 having been circulated, were agreed and signed by the Chairman as a true record.*

### **5416 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

*Resolved: Standing Orders were suspended to allow residents to speak.*

### **Wyre Councillor Adam Leigh**

The Councillor sent a report - Planning application at Glenfield Caravan Park for the siting of 43 caravans and attenuation pond has been permitted. The enforcement case at Crossings Cottage, Lambs Lane went to appeal against the enforcement notice, and this was dismissed. Orders have been given to demolish the building to ground level. Speed checks have been authorised for Taylor's Lane and will be carried out in due course. Further checks have been requested for Garstang Road as there are speeding issues during the day at school times and at night.

Residents are frustrated with Wheel Lane flooding as the planned works from Lancashire County Council hasn't come to fruition. Although they state works have been completed,

the dyke is still blocked, and the road is still flooded. I have been in touch with County to challenge their claim that work has been undertaken and am awaiting a reply from the highways district lead. I believe United Utilities are due to attend on Friday to install a valve on a 4-inch main pipe. I have also asked Cllr Salter to chase this up again with County. Problems with Create Homes are ongoing.

Councillors noted it was refreshing to receive a comprehensive report from our Wyre Councillor. There was great concern with the Glenfield decision with creeping growth impinging on St. John's Church and possible flooding impacts with the dyke running through the site. Councillors wish to understand and discuss planning decision with the planning officer.

*Resolved: The Parish Council meeting and Standing Orders were resumed.*

#### **5417 CLERK'S REPORT**

*Resolved: The defibrillator re-location on Garstang Road is now complete, thanks to our residents, and Grantscape has approved claim.*

#### **5418 PARISH COUNCIL POLICIES**

*Resolved: Councillors reviewed and accepted Complaints Procedure and Code of Conduct.*

#### **5419 PARISH COMMUNICATIONS**

*Resolved: Councillors accepted the Social Media Protocol, written by the Communications Committee; it enables the Parish Council to interact in a way that improves the communications both within the Council and between the Council and people, businesses and agencies it works with and serves.*

#### **5420 PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

Clerk's vacancy information for resolution. Personnel Committee met Monday 8<sup>th</sup> to finalise information. Forms and information were presented to full Parish Council.

*Resolved: Information accepted advertising on website, Facebook and noticeboard.*

#### **5421 PILLING VILLAGE HALL LOAN**

There is unrest with the Parish Council loan to Pilling Village Hall. To allay disrupting rumours in the Parish the Village Hall committee wishes to know what Councillors views are on repayments, to repay annually or monthly? Councillors discussed the information presented and agreed to receive repayments monthly.

*Resolved: To inform Pilling Village Hall Committee the Parish Council has agreed to monthly payments from June 2024.*

#### **5422 COMBINED PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS**

Hambleton Parish Council suggested the quarterly meeting of the Over Wyre Parishes/Town is resurrected and is Pilling Council interested? Cllr. Wright would take the lead with the admin shared between the Parishes attending on a Rota basis.

*Resolved: To inform Hambleton Parish Council Pilling Parish Council will attend and look forward to a date.*

#### **5423 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

##### **Planning Application Granted:**

23/01146/FUL

Proposal: Proposed air source heat pump to rear garden.

Location: 2 Stakepool Cottages Lancaster Road Pilling

23/00553/FUL

Proposal: Amalgamation of 2no cottages to form 1 larger dwelling with alterations to outbuildings & access arrangements.

Location: 1 Springfield Cottages Wheel Lane Pilling

**Permission refused:**

24/00082/FUL

Proposal: Proposed single storey rear extension and new front porch

Location: Eagland Hill Farm New Lane Eagland Hill Pilling

23/00877/FUL

Proposal: Erection of a two storey/single storey side/rear extension (north side) and single storey side/rear extension (south side), and provision of first floor Juliet balconies (following demolition of existing conservatory and outbuilding) (resubmission of Application no. 22/01201/FUL)

Location: Rosedale House, Bradshaw Lane, Pilling

**Planning discharge approved**

22/01071/DIS

Proposal: Approval of details reserved by conditions 5 (Highways), 6 (Drainage), 7 (Desk Study) and 9 (Landscape and Habitat Creation Management Scheme) on planning permission 22/01071/FUL.

Location: Westleigh Carr Lane Pilling

**Application Withdrawn:**

23/01206/FUL

Proposal: Erection of an agricultural storage building and extension to existing agricultural storage building

Location: Merry Field Garstang Road Pilling

**Lawful certificate application refused**

24/00099/LAWP

Proposal: Certificate of lawful development for proposed replacement window frames

Location: 3 Springfield Barn Wheel Lane Pilling

**Enforcement Upheld**

19/00075/ENF

Without planning permission, the erection on the Land of a building used as workshop/garage and MOT station

The Crossing Cottage Lambs Lane Pilling

**Planning Applications for comment:**

**24/00225/FUL**

**Proposal:** Erection of one detached house and garage (pursuant to the removal of condition 6 (agricultural tie) on planning permission 6/8585)

**Location:** Lindos Morley Lane Pilling

*Resolved: The Parish Council has no objections to this application.*

**24/00244/FUL**

**Proposal:** Single rear extension

**Location:** 1 Hollybank Bradshaw Lane Pilling

*Resolved: The Parish Council has no objections to this application.*

**5424 FINANCE****Pilling in Bloom**

*Resolved: Committee to purchase 6 x barrels for use around the village at a cost of £766.87 including VAT and delivery.*

**INCOME:**

1. St. John's Church	£ 25.00	Grounds Maintenance
2. Furness Building Society	£10,000.00	February transfer
3. Pilling in Bloom	£ 10.00	Damage to flower tub at Village Hall
4. Pilling in Bloom	£ 80.00	Residents donation
5. Wyre Council	£81,000.00	
6. Less poll expenses	<u>- £122.65</u>	
	<b>£80,877.35</b>	

Following payment of the precept: £65,000.00 will be transferred to Reserve Account.

Councillors resolved to pay the following **Payments**.

Payee		Reason
S. Raby	£ 403.90	Wages and expenses
G. Benson	£ 53.84	Salary and expenses
Towers and Gornall	£ 68.40	Accountant Services
HMRC	£1,818.00	Staff costs
Lancashire Association of Local Councils	£ 35.00	Training
Parish Magazine Printing	£359.00	Pilling Newsletter 900 copies
Viking Stationery	£102.76	Printer Inks
Houghtons Filling Station	£ 76.03	Fuel
Lancashire Association of Local Councils	£454.66	Subscriptions
Mrs. J. Judkins	£665.00	Pilling Community Action
Amberol Ltd.	£766.87	Pilling in Bloom half barrels
Furness Building Society	£65,000.00	Transfer to Reserve Account
	<b>£2,738.14</b>	

**Standing Orders/Direct Debits**

1. Staff costs for March	£3,688.73
2. Easy-Web-Sites	£ 30.36
3. Pilling Village Hall rental	£100.00
4. S. Morley Workshop rental	£150.00

**Bank Reconciliation to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024**

Bank balance £7,317.65    Furness Building Society £94,144.01

**5425 VERBAL REPORTS FOR INFORMATION ONLY****D-Day Afternoon Tea 5<sup>th</sup> June 2024**

Cllr. Mrs. E. Cookson appealed for raffle prizes. Menu will be cold meats and salad with trifle and fruit salad to follow.

**Pilling in Bloom**

The revamp of the Bloom noticeboard at the car park is ongoing should be back for Wyre in Bloom judging. Yellow rattle plugs are to be planted on Back Sands Lane.

**Our Future Coast Working Group**

Councillors explained this Wyre initiative is looking at coastal erosion, although this is not a problem in Pilling, waiting for next meeting. Group looking at inland flooding with Lancashire County Council, Environment Agency, who are liaising with Marine Management Organisation and Natural England.

**Grass Verge Cutting**

It is disappointing that this year's verge cutting by Lancashire County Council has cut down daffodils on the roadside and could endanger their flowering in future.

*There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.54pm.*

Chairman .....

Date .....