

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

**HELD ON WEDNESDAY 11<sup>th</sup> MAY, 2016,**  
**At 7.00pm**

**AT ST JOHN'S CHURCH HALL, SCHOOL LANE, PILLING**



*Present:* Councillors; *E. Moorat, Chairman,*  
*J. Barton,*  
*G. Curwen*  
*N. Cookson,*  
*Mrs. D. Schofield,*  
*Gillian Benson, Clerk to the Parish Council*

**4364. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

**Resolved; Cllr. J. Savage was elected as Chairman of Pilling Parish Council for one year.**

Under the Local Government Act 1972 (83(4)) the Chairman signed the Declaration of Office.

**4365. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN**

**Resolved: Cllr. G. Curwen and Cllr. E. Moorat were elected as Joint Vice-Chairmen for Pilling Parish Council for one year.**

**4366. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received Cllr. Mrs. E. Cookson, Cllr. J. Savage, Cllr. Mrs. B. Schofield and Cllr. W. Whiteside. Wyre Councillor G. Holden also sent apologies.

In the absence of the Chairman Vice-Chairman E. Moorat presided over the meeting.

**4367. RESIGNATION**

Cllr. S. Morley tendered his resignation from Pilling Parish Council.

*Resolved: To inform Wyre Council.*

**4368. 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.

**4369. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

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

**4370. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

The meeting was suspended to allow residents to speak.

**Including a Police Report**

**March, Crimes** An offender under the influence of unknown substances was arrested when he smashed windows to enter a bedroom at a property in Pilling, he resisted arrest and bit a police officer, he is a 25 year old man from Blackpool and was sentenced to 120 days in prison.

Sexually explicit photos were sent unlawfully to a mobile phone belonging to a female under the age of 16 years.

**Anti-social behaviour in March** saw a resident of School Lane reporting eggs thrown at their property; also a neighbour screaming at children turned violent when confronted. A person running on Fluke Hall Lane was passed by a caravan too closely when the driver stopped, approached the runner and ripped their headphones out while shouting, the driver then followed her when the runner set off again.

**April Crimes** Unknown offenders have picked and thrown around daffodils and traffic cones in a second incident in School Lane (see ASB).

**Anti-social behaviour in April** saw daffodils picked and thrown around and cones thrown into the hedge on School Lane. A dispute over parking on Garstang Road causing verbally threatening behaviour and males were asked to leave a holiday cottage were reported for threatening to smash a window.

The meeting was resumed.

#### **4371. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS**

Councillors are asked to note the following meeting dates of Pilling Parish Council, which will be held at St. John's Church Hall, School Lane, at 7.00pm, unless an agreed change is made:

8 <sup>th</sup> June, 2016,	13 <sup>th</sup> July, 2016,	10 <sup>th</sup> August, 2016,
14 <sup>th</sup> September, 2016,	12 <sup>th</sup> October, 2016,	9 <sup>th</sup> November, 2016,
Christmas Tree switch-on, 5 <sup>th</sup> December, 2016		
7 <sup>th</sup> December, 2016, alternative venue will be sought.		
Senior Citizen's Christmas Party 13 <sup>th</sup> December, 2016		
11 <sup>th</sup> January, 2017,	8 <sup>th</sup> February, 2017,	8 <sup>th</sup> March, 2017,
12 <sup>th</sup> April, 2017, Annual Parish Meeting		
10 <sup>th</sup> May, 2017, Annual Parish Council Meeting		

#### **4372. ELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVES**

##### a. Finance Committee

Councillors J. Savage, E. Cookson, Cllr. N. Cookson and E. Moorat

##### b. Planning Committee

The Chairman will call meetings as necessary

##### c. Human Resources Management Committee

Councillors Mrs. E. Cookson, E. Moorat and Mrs. D. Schofield.

##### d. Pilling in Bloom Committee

Councillor W. Whiteside.

##### e. Parish Plan Review Committee

Councillor J. Savage as the Planning Ambassador.

##### f. Responsible Financial Officer

The Clerk, Gillian Benson

##### g. Signatories on Cheques and Bank Mandates

Councillors Mrs. E. Cookson, G. Curwen, E. Moorat and Mrs. B. Schofield.

*Resolved: That Cllr. G. Curwen and the clerk are added as signatories, this is necessary for the clerk to be recognised by the bank, but will not sign.*

- h. Signatories on Reserve Account  
Gillian Benson and Cllr. G. Curwen
- i. Internal Auditor  
Catterall Parish Council for 2015 - 2016
- j. Senior Citizen's Christmas Party Committee  
Councillor Mrs. E. Cookson
- k. Editor to the Parish Newsletter  
Councillors E. Moorat
- l. Tree Warden  
Councillor W. Whiteside
- m. Representative on the Memorial Hall Committee/Pilling 20:20  
Councillor E. Moorat
- n. Representative on the Carter's Charity Trustees  
Councillor Mrs. E. Cookson
- o. Representatives on the Wyre Area Lancashire Association of Local Councils  
Councillor Mrs. D. Schofield
- p. Representative on Wyre's Flood Forum  
Councillor J. Barton

**4373. WYRE AREA LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS**

The Chairman of Wyre Area is asking Councillors to discuss and comment on improvements to attract Councillors to attend the meetings.

*Resolved: Unfortunately the dates recently chosen clash with Pilling Parish Council meetings.*

**4374. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The following application is granted.

*16/00222/FUL*

Proposal: Removal of condition 04 on application 03/01193 which restricts the use of the property to holiday occupancy only

Location: Barnfold, Moss House Lane, Pilling

The following application is granted.

*16/00199/FUL*

Proposal: Extension to existing front porch

Location: 2 St Johns Avenue, Pilling

The following application was refused:

*16/00209/FUL*

Proposal: Erection of detached dwelling

Location: Momens Farm, New Lane, Eagland Hill, Pilling

**To note:**

***16/00388/AGR***

**Proposal:** Prior notification of proposed agricultural development.

**Location:** Land Adjacent To Libby Lane Pilling

**Councillors made comment on the following planning applications;****16/00019/FUL**

**Proposal:** Demolition of existing dwelling and outbuildings and the erection of a replacement dwelling with detached garage and extension to the domestic curtilage

**Location:** Bimsons Cottage Wheel Lane Pilling

*Resolved: The Parish Council is concerned at the size creates a dominant feature in the landscape. Private access will need neighbourhood consultation exiting onto Wheel Lane, which suffers extensive flooding.*

**16/00317/OUTMAJ**

**Proposal:** Removal of condition 11 (affordable housing) on planning permission 14/00526/OUTMAJ

**Location:** Land At Garstang Road, Pilling

*Resolved: The Parish Council objects to the removal and seeks neighbourhood notification. Several granted applications in Pilling are trying to get market housing through initially getting permission with affordable housing.*

**16/00369/FUL**

**Proposal:** Erection of a detached dwelling and garage

**Location:** Land North Of Thornbank School Lane Pilling

*Resolved: The Parish Council has no objections to the dwelling and seeks neighbourhood notification, Concerns with the garage due to size and intruding neighbours.*

**4375. FINANCE****Audit 2015 – 2016**

End of Year Accounts

Accounts Statement for the external audit.

Councillors considered and agreed to the presented documents.

*Resolved: The Chairman and Responsible Financial Officer signed the Accounts.*

**Finance Committee**

The committee met on 4<sup>th</sup> May to sign off the final quarter accounts, accept the financial statement to 31<sup>st</sup> March and recommend a transfer to the reserve account of £98.00.

*Resolved: Councillors supported the transfer of £98.00*

**Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday medals**

At the last meeting it was recommended to purchase 250 commemorative medals at £1.99 each plus VAT, totalling £604.50. The medals will be presented during the concert on 16<sup>th</sup> June at St. John's Church.

*Resolved: Councillors supported the payment of £604.50.*

Payments received since the previous meeting:

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| 1. Bank Interest- April                   | £ 1.27  |
| 2. St. John's Church - Clothes collection | £152.00 |

**Standing Order credit**

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| 1. St. John's Church – Grounds Maintenance | £ 65.00 |
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Councillors are asked to consider the following accounts;

**Payments to be approved;**

1. Clerk's salary adjustments and expenses	£ 56.62	
2. Parish Lengthsman wage and expenses	£ 25.60	
3. Prudential AVC	£250.00	AVC
4. Catterall Parish Council	£ 18.93	Phone and Broadband
5. St. John's Church	£ 20.00	Meeting Room Rental
6. Catterall Parish Council	£120.30	Stationery
7. G. Benson – Springback Binders	£ 22.00	Stationery
8. Furness Building Society	£ 98.00	Transfer
9. Tower Mint	£604.50	Medals
10. Cornthwaites	£111.22	
11. Houghton's Filling Station	£128.83	
12. Sue White Secretarial Services	£184.82	Pilling News

**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

**4376. VERBAL REPORTS FOR INFORMATION ONLY**

**Pilling in Bloom**

Cllr. W. Whiteside has changed the route due to needing to show a community site, so Lane Ends Amenity Area is to be included.

**Representative on Pilling Memorial Hall/Pilling 20:20**

Cllr. E. Moorat reported on the developments on the new field by the developers, who should be finished by 27<sup>th</sup> May, when it will be handed over to Pilling 20:20. There is still unrest concerning the 'depression' as it interferes with the potential use of the new field. The car park is to be created shortly and this will allow access to the recreation area.

**Queens 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebrations**

Cllr. Mrs. E. Cookson sent an update of the procedures for the occasion in Pilling. The celebration will be organised by St. John's School and will take place on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June at St. John's Church Hall. Lunch boxes are to be packed at school and brought to the church to be eaten at 12.30, followed by a concert in church when the Chairman will present the Parish Council's medals. Councillors and spouses are asked to help out on the day.

**4377. QUESTIONS TO COUNCILLORS**

**Pilling Memorial Hall Grass Cutting**

The Parish Council was asked to quote for cutting the grass on the play area and the HR Committee duly met to discuss this. The committee recommended £30 per visit, but the Parish Council representative on the Memorial Hall considered there should be no charge as it is a public facility. This will be discussed fully next month.

**Grantscape Funding**

The Morecambe Bay windturbines grant is open to submissions with grants of £5,000 and £75,000 available. Cllr. E. Moorat explained that the Parish Council can apply and if successful give the money to the Memorial Hall. He added that it would compromise

the Big Lottery application if they name a number of other grant funders. The Councillors supported investigating applying for funding to supply a Multi Use Games Area on the new field.

**Defibrillator Training**

The next training session will be held in the Golden Ball on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May from 7.30pm. The Parish Council is looking to produce a certificate for attendees.

**Lancashire County Council site meetings**

**Damside**

The Parish Lengthsman and Clerk meet with Lancashire County Council about the drains on Damside, which goes across the field and into the Broadfleet; it is to be jetted to hopefully clear any blockages.

**Back Sands Lane**

The dykes on Back Sands Lane have deteriorated until there is little depth to them now. The Parish Council will look to investigate digging out to allow water to drain off the road. Cllr. G. Curwen will visit James and Norman Kellet and make them aware of possible developments.

*There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.10pm.*

Chairman .....

Date .....