

PILLING PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON WEDNESDAY 13th SEPTEMBER, 2017,

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



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

4531. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr. W. Whiteside for this meeting. Wyre Councillor Holden and Lancashire County Councillor Taylor also sent apologies.

4532. 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.

4533. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Resolved: The minutes of the meeting held on 9th August, 2017 having been circulated, were agreed and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

4534. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The meeting was suspended to allow residents to speak.

Reply from Inspector Jonathon Smith to the query by Pilling Parish Council on the reported figures. The Parish Council had asked to continue receiving the crime figures. The Inspector assured the Parish Council that Pilling and the rural community was a high priority to the Police, but with the austerity measures and so fewer staff; their roles have needed to change and this is not allowing for the compilation of accurate figures without taking a great deal of time which is better spent protecting residents. The visible effect has been to reduce the number of meetings the officers can attend to increase their capacity to work in key areas and do what is needed to maintain the safe communities across Wyre.

Including Police Report

August Crimes; An unknown offender used the bank details of a Pilling resident to make a payment and set up direct debits without the account holder's permission, a woman was assaulted in a domestic dispute and another woman reported her emails had been hacked by an ex-partner. Unknown offenders fired an air rifle at the glass windows of the old church in School Lane.

Anti-Social Behaviour; A further incident in a neighbour dispute on Taylor's Lane was reported.

Councillors added a traffic accident on Lancaster Road on Tuesday night, which left the road covered in broken glass and plastic, despite the Police hand sweeping it. Wyre Council have now completed the clean-up.

The meeting was resumed.

4535. ESTABLISHMENT OF A POLICE FORUM

Preesall Town Council is gauging the interest in Over Wyre Parishes as to the setting up of a Police Forum solely for Preesall, Hambleton, Stalmine and Pilling. Councillors considered the proposal. Obviously any meeting with the Police would benefit the community, but based on the reply from the Wyre Inspector, it appears staffing levels would prevent attending meetings. At present Pilling Parish Council would not consider joining a Police Forum; having direct contact through the Wyre Area Lancashire Association of Local Councils meeting; but would be pleased to receive minutes to gauge interest.

Resolved: Pilling Parish Council would not wish to join a local Police Forum at present.

4536. SMALLWOOD HEY ROAD NUMBERING

Councillors had been approached to number the homes on Smallwood Hey Road and information was sought from Wyre Council as to the process required. Support from residents will need establishing initially. The draft letter was presented to the Parish Council would write to each house setting out the implications to this change.

Resolved: The draft letter will be sent out to residents of Smallwood Hey Road to ascertain support.

4537. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following planning applications were **granted**:

17/00535/FUL

Proposal: Erection of annex building for ancillary-living accommodation

Location: Birks Farm Bradshaw Lane Pilling

The following planning applications have been **refused**:

17/00545/FUL

Proposal: Retrospective extension to domestic curtilage, erection of domestic garage/outbuilding and single-storey side extension to dwelling

Location: 2 Tarn Cottage New Lane Eagland Hill Pilling

17/00507/FUL

Proposal: Erection of single storey side extension

Location: Willow Tree Cottage Lancaster Road Pilling

Split decision by Wyre Planning Committee on the following two discharges:

16/00539/DIS

Proposal: Discharge of condition 05 (drainage) and 06 (contamination) on application 16/00539/FUL

Location: Orchard End Farm New Lane Eagland Hill Pilling

16/00538/DIS

Proposal: Discharge of conditions 05 (contamination) and 06 (drainage) on application 16/00538/FUL

Location: Orchard End Farm New Lane Eagland Hill Pilling

A watching brief is to be monitored with the findings reported back to Wyre Council for the full discharge.

Councillors made comment on the following planning application;**17/00592/SECT**

Proposal: Modification of a Section 106 agreement in relation to application 14/00631/FULMAJ to extend the local connection criteria to include the districts of Fylde, Preston and Lancaster

Location: Land At Pilling Memorial Hall Site Taylors Lane Pilling

Resolved: The Parish Council is disappointed as this underlines that this type of home is not viable in a rural community, better to be rental properties, if not possible, then makes sense that the houses are occupied albeit that the local connection will be lost. Therefore the Parish Council can offer no objections to this planning application.

17/00766/FUL

Proposal: Erection of lambing shed and wood store building

Location: Land Off Moss House Lane Pilling

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

17/00785/FUL

Proposal: Erection of four industrial units (use Class B1/B8)

Location: Pointers Grove Yard Taylors Lane Pilling

The Parish Council objects to this planning application. Drainage problems, traffic access, access strip to house through an industrial site and conflict. Parking for units and impact on four existing units. Parish Council supports the principle of industrial units, but these would be inappropriate in residential area.

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

Resolved; The Parish Council has no objections to this planning application.

4538. FINANCE**Audit 2016 – 2017**

The external auditors have found no matters which came to their attention which requires the issuing of a separate additional issues arising report. The conclusion notice has been displayed on the noticeboard and web site together with the external auditors report and the electors' rights.

Resolved: Councillors accepted the auditors report.

Parish Lengthsman Workshop Contract

Councillors noted the Workshop contract with Enterprise S2S has been renewed to commence from September, 2018.

Transfer from Reserve Account

Resolved; Transfer of £15,000 from Reserve Account to current account.

Payments received since the previous meeting:

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| 1. Wyre Council – North West in Bloom Grant | £600.00 |
| 2. Bank Interest – August | £ 0.04 |
| 3. M ^C Dermott Homes – hedge cutting | £ 45.00 |

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 | £ 58.67 | |
| 2. Parish Lengthsman wage and expenses | £ 37.80 | |
| 3. Catterall Parish Council | £ 23.98 | Phone and Broadband |
| 4. Catterall Parish Council | £186.02 | Stationery |
| 5. St. John the Baptist Church Hall | £ 20.00 | Meeting Room Rental |
| 6. BDO LLP – External Auditors | £360.00 | |
| 7. Suilvision – balance less deposit | £5,023.20 | ANPR Camera |
| 8. Kirkland Parish Council – S. L. C. C. | £ 90.00 | Subscription |
| 9. Houghtons Filling Station | £147.01 | |
| 10. Physio Control UK | £ 89.28 | Nursing Home defibrillator |
| 11. C and C Supplies | £ 13.99 | |
| 12. Wyre Council – North West in Bloom | £ 81.00 | |
| 13. Wyre Council – planning application | £195.00 | |

Monthly Standing Orders/Direct Debits

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| 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 |

Bank Reconciliation 31st August, 2017.

Resolved: Councillors accepted the bank reconciliation to 31st August, 2017.

4539. VERBAL REPORTS FOR INFORMATION ONLY**Report from Pilling in Bloom**

The awards ceremony is in Southport on 3rd November and tickets will be ordered. Now that the summer blooms are coming to an end Councillors decided to plant the triangle with Winter Pansies and daffodil bulbs

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

Cllr. P. McWhirter reported that the weather conditions are hindering progress with the trim trail. The first football match was held las Sunday with Cockerham junior and adults. A Treasure Hunt has been organised for next Saturday to raise funds. A Moons Trust grant has paid for two picnic tables, which are now on site.

The Lottery made a visit to Pilling recently in connection with the stage 2 funding bid and it included a site visit on the field. He appeared to be impressed with the amount of facilities already provided. The stage 2 bid has a ceiling of £500,000 and a revised bid has been submitted with other funding streams being identified to make up the difference. The outcome from the Lottery should be known by November. The next stage is to provide three quotes for costs, feasibility to build and ground surveys.

Eagland Hill ANPR

Cllr. Mrs. D. Schofield reported the Eagland Hill Committee is starting to get quotes for the second ANPR camera at Horns and the planning application will be submitted.

Defibrillators in Pilling

Cllr. Moorat reported that there is still an outstanding cost on the instillation of the seven defibrillators and there will be ongoing costs for the replacement of pads and batteries. Originally the clothing collection was set up to raise funds for the defibrillators and this will now resume.

Meeting with McDermott Homes

Held on 11th September with discussions on the re-configuration of the junction of Lancaster Road and Garstang Road; the relocation of the bin, bench, bus stop and shelter. Work is to start on the Auction Mart site to create 33 homes and part of the planning permission carries a section 278, highways work. Lancashire County Council has sent plans of realignment to Lancaster Road.

Work will commence with piling at the end of October after the first part of the road and the compound has been constructed and all piling will be completed by Christmas.

Instillation of sewer pipes to meet the junction with Garstang Road will be in mid-November these pipes require a manhole connection: causing a road closure.

County is proposing moving the bus stop to North of the Elletsons Arms, but the present shelter will not fit on the pavement and McDermott Homes have offered a cantilevered design; the seat is to be relocated on the pavement near to the shop.

4540. QUESTIONS TO COUNCILLORS**School Lane**

Councillors raised the state of the road surface on School Lane and Lancashire County Council pulling the funding to another scheme meaning there is to be no resurfacing this financial year and it may not get into the programme for next year! Councillors were angry at being promised the work and demanded an explanation as to who made the decision. IT shows contempt to the Parish Council, residents and the officer who discussed the resurfacing with Councillors. There has been no consultation and makes Lancashire County Council look shabby!

Morecambe Bay

It was noted that the scientific and natural status of Morecambe Bay has been increased to a Special Protection Zone.

Halite

Since the application for underground gas storage was secured in July, 2015 important detailed design and planning work has been underway. With construction to start in January, 2018 Halite wish to communicate their plans to the community ahead of and during the build and listen and respond to local people. Halite invited a Parish Councillor to participate in a Community Liaison Panel and Cllr. Mrs. D. Schofield will attend.

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

Chairman

Date