

PILLING PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON WEDNESDAY
8th JULY, at 7.00pm

AT ST. JOHN'S SCHOOL,
FLUKE HALL LANE, PILLING



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

4256. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received for this meeting from Cllr. J. Barton.

The Chairman held a minutes silence following the recent passing of Mrs. Ruby Whiteside and Mr. Walter Lawrenson.

4257. CO-OPTION TO PILLING PARISH COUNCIL

At an extraordinary Parish Council meeting three new parish councillors were co-opted. The Chairman welcomed two of the new Councillors trusting that they will enjoy their term of office representing the best interests of Pilling.

4258. NOTIFICATION OF INTERESTS

Councillors were asked to declare interests in the matters to be discussed and reminded that any changes to their Register of Interests must be made within 28 days.

4259. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Resolved: The minutes of the meeting held on 10th June, 2015 having been circulated, were agreed and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

4260. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The meeting was adjourned to allow the residents present to speak.

Including: Police Report

Outbuildings were broken into in Eagland Hill and Winmarleigh and farming vehicles stolen. One of which was recovered and two males are being interviewed for the theft and handling of stolen goods. The NHP team appeals to everyone to ring 101 for any suspicious activity and registration numbers would help massively.

Sergeant Freaney apologies for the lack of content in the crime and incident figures, but due to a decrease in staff and increased work load everything is stretched. A volunteer is co-ordinating the figures at present and hopefully in future a second volunteer will compile the summaries. The Councillors appreciated the appointment of a second volunteer as they were concerned about the deterioration of information available. There is great concern at the low priority given to the Policing in Over Wyre. The Parish Council will appeal to the Chief Inspector, as the Divisional Commander, to support the local policing team in rural areas.

Wyre Councillor Graham Holden

Councillors were disappointed that Cllr. Holden had not attended the meeting nor sent a report.

The meeting was resumed.

4261. VACANCIES FOR PARISH COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

Pilling Parish Councillors welcome the three new Councillors and nominated these Councillors to fill the vacancies of representatives to committees and outside bodies.

Resolved: Councillors were elected to the following committees:

Cllr. Mrs. D. Schofield, Human Resources Committee and Wyre Area Lancashire Association of Local Councils; Cllr. N. Cookson, Finance Committee and Pilling in Bloom committee and Cllr. G. Curwen was elected to the Wyre Area Road Safety Committee

4262. PILLING COMMUNITY HALL, GRASS CUTTING

At last month's meeting the Parish Council was asked to consider taking on the grass cutting of the newly to be defined football pitch on the field. Initial concerns were raised as to extending the Parish Lengthsman's duties and the capacity of the present equipment, which needs discussing along with a possible charge. Councillors discussed the present state of the field, with the drainage taking place and were informed, by a member of 20 20, that a small football pitch is to be ploughed and re-seeded. It is advisable to leave any consideration until 20 20 informs the Parish Council that the football pitch is ready and only then to consider if the Parish Council equipment can cope with the work required.

Resolved: To write to Pilling Memorial Hall Committee that the Parish Council will need to wait until the football pitch is ready and inspected as to level of work involved before considering a grounds maintenance contract.

4263. WYRE'S LOCAL PLAN

Wyre is asking Pilling Parish Council to comment on the Issues and Options during their consultation of the Local Plan. Councillors felt that this should be answered in unison with the surrounding Parish Councils and will arrange a meeting. The Chairman added that: as the planning ambassador he had attending initial consultations when Councillors asked about the definition of affordable housing and landowner's permission on proposed sites. Wyre answered that all the possible sites have been included and these will be whittled down, but there would not be compulsory purchase. The pressure on the infrastructure prompted the reply 'infrastructure provides reaction to a situation'. Pilling's lack of bungalows was raised, the aging population in Pilling has been highlighted and this may enable them to remain in the parish.

Resolved; To arrange a cluster meeting with Pilling, Stalmine, Out Rawcliffe, Winmarleigh, Nateby and Hambleton Parish Councils to discuss the Local Plan.

Planning Training

Wyre is holding planning training on Monday 13th July, with Pilling having three places, the Chairman and Vice Chairman have agreed, but another member is needed.

Resolved; Cllrs. J. Savage, E. Moorat and W. Whiteside will attend.

4264. REVIEW THE PARISH NEWSLETTER

Councillors discussed the recent form and distribution of the Pilling newsheet against the production of the booklet with distribution by Councillors. The editor expressed concern at the lack of articles generated by Councillors which means that many issues contained similar topics: it needs to be more relevant. Councillors were again asked to submit articles including diary events from organisations in Pilling, by the end of September, for the next edition to be ready on 14th October. These will again be hand delivered by the Councillors and the delivery list will be reviewed.

Resolved: To produce the Pilling Parish Newsletter for delivery three times per year, October, February and June, by the Councillors.

4265. PARISH LENGTHSMAN TRAINING

Councillors considered sending the Parish Lengthsman on a First Aid Course. Adult education proved fruitless, but Barton Grange is running a certified course in practical first aid skills, which aims to give confidence in assisting in emergency situations at a cost of £29.50 in September, October and November.

Resolved: That the Parish Lengthsman attends a First Aid course on 10th September, at Barton Grange.

4266. BOUNDARY COMMISSION

The Boundary Commission is to commence an electoral review of Lancashire County Council; the Parish Council will wait until the proposals are posted before commenting.

Resolved: To comment on the proposals once posted.

4267. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following planning applications were granted:

15/00154/LAWP

Proposal: Lawful Development Certificate for proposed new vehicular access and hardstanding area

Location: 31 St Johns Avenue, Pilling

15/00217/LAWP

Proposal: Lawful Development Certificate for the proposed erection of a single dwelling as approved by planning applications 03/01392/OUT and 07/01099/REM

Location: Land North Of Thornbank, School Lane, Pilling

Discharge of conditions granted, with a split decision on: *14/00631/DIS*

Proposal: Discharge of conditions 4, (Landscaping), 6, (Drainage), 7, (Demolition Plan & Site Welfare) and 8 (Section 278 Agreement highway improvements) relating to planning application 14/00631/FULMAJ

Location: Land At Taylor Lane, Pilling

Discharge of conditions applied for:

14/00642/DIS1

Proposal: Discharge of conditions 03 (materials) 04 (landscaping) 06 (surface water drainage) 08 (lighting) 09 (habitat management scheme) 10 (replacement playing pitch) 11 (children's play area) 12 (site clearance) 13 (site access) and 15 (traffic plan) on application 14/00642/FULMAJ

Location: Land At Taylors Lane Pilling

Councillors made comment on the following planning applications;**15/00505/FUL**

Proposal: Erection of new agricultural livestock building and access track (partially retrospective)

Location: Springfield Farm Wheel Lane Pilling

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

15/00485/FUL

Proposal: Change of use of existing log cabin 'granny annexe' to a single unit of self-catering holiday accommodation

Location: Log Cabin Chestnut House Duck Street Pilling

Resolved: The Parish Council has no objections to this planning application and seeks neighbourhood notification. Providing this is not the start of inappropriate development.

15/00529/FUL

Proposal: Erection of six detached dwellings with new access off Lancaster Road and landscaping

Location: Land At Lancaster Road Pilling

Resolved: The Parish Council objects to this planning application and seeks neighbourhood notification. Whilst the Councillors are more comfortable with 6 rather than 11 dwellings the objections to the previous application stand. There are a number of discrepancies in the application, access issues for the Environment Agency and potential tree problems. The site is within flood zone 3; therefore based on previous applications, market development will be refused.

15/00547/COUQ

Proposal: Prior notification for change of use from agricultural storage building to two dwellings

Location: Eagland Hill Farm New Lane Eagland Hill Pilling

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

15/00563/FUL

Proposal: Erection of stable building and ancillary annexe for living accommodation

Location: Newlands, Duck Street, Pilling

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

4268. FINANCE

Payments received since the previous meeting:

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| 1. St. John's Church, grounds maintenance | £ 65.00 |
| 2. Catterall Parish Council | £ 9.02 Catterall Parish Council |

has received cash back from the Broadband supplier and renegotiated the contract favourably.

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| 3. Wyre in Bloom Grant | £600.00 |
| 4. Lancashire County Council – PRow | £200.00 |
| 5. Wyre Council, precept, missed from March's minutes | £48,000.00 |
| 6. St. John's Church - Grounds maintenance | £ 65.00 |
| 7. St. Johns Church – Grounds Maintenance | £ 65.00 |

Resolved: Councillors accepted the following invoices for payment:

1. Turtle Engineering Ltd.	£3,120.00	Defibrillator Cases
2. Clerk's salary adjustments and expenses	£ 77.27	
3. *G. Benson – Title Deed for the new field	£ 6.00	
4. Parish Lengthsman wage and expenses	£ 51.76	
5. Prudential AVC	£250.00	Additional Voluntary Contribution
6. HM Revenue and Customs	£942.37	First quarter
7. Catterall Parish Council – Printer	£ 44.09	and storage boxes
8. The Golden Ball – Pilling in Bloom	£140.00	Pilling in Bloom
9. Laburnum Nurseries – Pilling in Bloom	£425.58	Pilling in Bloom
10. Chris Hankinson – Pilling in Bloom	£ 76.50	Pilling in Bloom
11. Trustees of J B Clarkson – Sensory Garden	£ 25.00	Licence fee
12. Houghton's Filling Station	£192.95	
13. Cornthwaites Farm Machinery	£168.10	
14. Ashlea Cottage Nurseries	£425.50	Pilling in Bloom
15. Bradleys Electrical	£ 13.80	
16. **BDO LLP	£360.00	Audit
17. Mr. P. Richardson	£150.00	Pilling in Bloom
18. HM Revenue and Customs, paid in April	£841.16	Final quarter 14/15

*The title deed was necessary to register the new community field with Fields in Trust for its protection as a sports and recreational field and submission closed on 25th June, 2015.

Direct Debits

Staff costs - Lengthsman's SO amended £1,730.00
 Local Government Pension Scheme £710.21
 Easy-Web-Sites will be taking monthly direct debits of £24 from 1st August, 2015.

****Audit 2014 – 2015**

The clerk reported that the external auditors had successfully completed the audit and given opinion. The report reads 'no matters which came to our attention required the issuing of a separate additional issues arising report'.

Resolved: The clerk was thanked for her work and the invoice paid.

4269. VERBAL REPORTS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Report from Pilling in Bloom

The judging takes place on Monday 20 July the judges will meet Cllr. Neil Cookson at 11.40 am at Fold House Caravan Park for the conducted tour.

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

Cllr. E. Moorat reported work has started on the new field with the top water drains into the Broadfleet and the children's play area. Cllr. E. Moorat and Cllr. G. Curwen are to meet Wyre Council to discuss funding for play facilities.

Report of the representative on Wyre Area Road Safety Committee

Attendance by Lancashire County Council staff is being pursued through the Three Tier Forum in August.

Grantscape

The Eagland Hill Windturbine Grant committee meets in Nateby on 14th July to decide the first round of grants, which includes a defibrillator for Eagland Hill.

Report on the Defibrillator Project

Three of the defibrillator cases have arrived. Cllr. E. Moorat reported that Bradleys Electrical will be installing the defibrillator cases next week, to be inspected by the North West Ambulance Service and given a location number. The Councillors expressed their gratitude to Cllr. E. Moorat on his dedication with this project and to Mr. Bradley for installing the cases free of charge.

Pilling Water Group Meeting

This will take place on Wednesday 15th July in St. John's Church Hall at 10am.

4270. QUESTIONS FOR COUNCILLORS

Public Footpath number 20

The footpath from the Elletsons Arms is over grown.

Footway on Lancaster Road

It was raised that the footway at the junction of Garstang Road and Lancaster Road, Stakepool is perceived as narrower, now that a wall has been built to the property, but it was noted that the wall is on the correct boundary.

Funding Source

Cllr. E. Moorat raised grants available to the Parish Council and organisations for up to £10,000 and asked Councillors to offer projects to be considered for submission?

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.35pm.

Chairman

Date