

PILLING PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON WEDNESDAY 11th MARCH, 2015 at 7.00pm

AT THE MEMORIAL HALL, TAYLORS LANE, PILLING

Present: *Councillors; G. Curwen Chairman,*
Mrs. E. Cookson,
S. Morley,
G. Morris
Mrs. B. Schofield,
W. Whiteside
Gillian Benson, Clerk to the Parish Council



4206. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received for this meeting from Cllr. E. Moorat and Cllr. J. Savage. In the absence of the Chairman Cllr. G. Curwen took the Chair for this meeting.

4207. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Councillors were asked to disclose pecuniary or non pecuniary interests in matters to be discussed at this meeting.

4208. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Resolved; The minutes of the last meeting, held on 11th February, 2015, having been circulated, were agreed and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

4209. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

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

Police Report

Crimes reported last month include a farm house and office broken into on Skitham Lane and cash stolen, both the Reading Rooms and St. Johns Church on School Lane were broken into and items stolen. An antique shotgun and items of jewellery were stolen during a burglary at premises on Head Dyke Lane, through a sash window and forced open a safe and gun safe. Scrap copper wiring was stolen from outside a business premises on Taylors Lane.

There are no anti-social behaviour patterns but a report of issues with a neighbour on Longwood Lane, after bailiffs had been to secure the property and a farmer rang in to report the occupants of a car acting suspiciously in the England Hill area, possibly lamping unlawfully.

The meeting was resumed.

4210. NEW WEB SITE FOR PILLING PARISH

Councillors considered updating the website by using a local professional firm; who offer an up to date product which gives a fully responsive display on all forms of communication devices. Whilst the present website is 'fine' perhaps it is time to update, more especially as the clerk has been unable to publish the site for some time due to

the server being down again!! There is a charge of £500 initial set up fee and monthly running fees of £20.

Resolved: Whilst the Councillors agreed with an updated site, funding will be sought to assist with the set up costs initially.

4211. RISK ASSESSMENTS

Councillors reviewed the Risk Assessment and Risk Management Plan.

Resolved: Pilling Parish Councillors accepted the Risk Assessment and Risk Management Plan as presented.

4212. PROPOSED CHANGES TO VILLAGE SPEED LIMITS

Lancashire County Council is considering lowering the speed limit on Lancaster Road, through the built up area from Head Dyke Road through to the end of Fishers Row. Councillors made comment on the proposal.

Resolved: Pilling Parish Council fully supports the lowering of the speed limit on Lancaster Road to 30MPH.

4213. INVITATION TO CATTERALL GALA

The Chairman of Pilling Parish Council is invited to walk in the procession and take refreshment afterwards at Catterall Gala on Saturday 30th May, 2015.

Resolved: The Chairman and wife will attend Catterall Gala.

4214. PILLING MEMORIAL HALL CLOSURE

The imminent closure of the Memorial Hall has forced the Parish Council to relocate the Parish Surgeries and the Parish Council monthly meetings.

Resolved: The Parish Surgeries are to be held in St. John's Church Hall and the Parish Council meetings in St. John's School.

4215. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following planning applications were granted:

14/01009/FUL

Proposal: Single storey rear extension and removal of render to expose brickwork behind

Location: Southfield, Skitham Lane, Pilling

14/00631/FULMAJ

Proposal: Demolition of the existing Pilling Memorial Hall and erection of 25 affordable homes, including the construction of a new access road off Taylors Lane

Location: Land at Taylor Lane, Pilling

The following discharge of conditions was accepted:

13/00885/DIS

Proposal: Discharge of conditions 02 (site investigation), 04 (site welfare), 05 (access), 09 (landscape plan), 10 (bird & bat boxes), 11 (street lighting), 14 (drainage), 15 (materials), 16 (hard surfacing materials) and 12 (method statement) on application 13/00885/FULMAJ

Location: Land off Lancaster Road, Pilling

Councillors made comment on the following planning applications;**15/00107/FUL****Proposal:** Upgrade of existing loose stone surface of Field House Lane**Location:** Field House Lane Pilling*Resolved: Pilling Parish Council has no objections to this planning application and seeks neighbourhood notification.*

Cllr Mrs. E. Cookson declared a pecuniary interest as a neighbour to the following application:

15/00142/FUL**Proposal:** Extension to existing storage/hobby building (resubmission of 14/00946)**Location:** Westfield Lancaster Road Pilling*Resolved: Pilling Parish Council has no objections to this planning application and seeks neighbourhood notification.***15/00154/LAWP****Proposal:** Lawful Development Certificate for proposed new access, dropped kerb and hardstanding area**Location:** 31 St Johns Avenue, Pilling*Resolved: Pilling Parish Council has no objections to this planning application and seeks neighbourhood notification.***4216. FINANCE**

Payments received since the previous meeting:

1. Bank Interest to 31 st January, 2015	£ 0.14
2. Lancashire County Council	£ 85.00
Repairs to the kissing gate off Taylors Lane to be undertaken by the Parish Lengthsman	
3. Mrs. J. Curwen – Defibrillators	£100.00
4. Mrs. J. Stevenson – Defibrillators	£ 50.00
5. Mr and Mrs Whitehead – Defibrillators	£ 50.00
6. Pilling WI – Defibrillator	£ 50.00
7. Cornthwaites Farm Machinery - Defibrillator	£100.00
8. Elletsons Arms – Pancake fundraiser, Defib.	£315.50
9. Mrs. M. Bird – Defibrillator	£ 20.00

Resolved: Councillors accepted the following invoices for payment:

1. Clerk's salary adjustments and expenses	£ 72.11
2. Parish Lengthsman wage and expenses	£ 69.06
3. Prudential AVC	£250.00 Additional Voluntary Contribution
4. Catterall Parish Council	£ 19.94 phone and broadband
5. Compost for Pilling in Bloom - G. Benson	£ 85.08
6. Houghton's Filling Station	£ 90.07
7. E-On – Christmas Tree lights	£ 2.44

Direct Debits

Staff costs	£1,670.00
Local Government Pension Scheme	£686.96

Bank Statement*Resolved: Councillors accepted the bank statement to 28th February, 2015.*

Thanks

Wyre Area Road Safety Committee thanks Pilling Parish Council for their donation towards their continuing work with Lancashire County Council and welcomes Councillors to future meetings.

4217. VERBAL REPORTS FOR INFORMATION ONLY**Report on progress of the Defibrillator Appeal**

Cllr. E. Moorat presented a written report on progress with the donations and promises to date. This alters weekly as residents and organisations learn of the appeal.

Report of the representative on Pilling 20 20

A meeting was held on 19th February with the developers, MCI, when an agreement to retain the hall as long as possible was dashed as the Government grant criteria specified demolition on purchase of site and Regenda was to sign up by 31st March, 2015. On a positive note the business plan is to be used to access where the committee is and the direction of progress needed, Mike O'Loughlin a Pilling resident is greatly assisting in the compilation of the updated business plan. This has been written in line with the Big Lottery criteria and is more focused, as serious deficiencies were highlighted. The plan does not need submission at this stage. Initially the group must ring the Big Lottery, outlining the proposal and hopefully succeeding to the second stage. This fund could yield up to £500,000.

Evidential proof is being gathered and information from census'. The completed gateway form will assist with the appointments of architects. The project meets many needs in Pilling.

1. Working with Wyre Council through support from Garry Payne as provision of a Pilling Hub.
2. Addressing the housing needs in the Parish.
3. Tackling rural isolation/geographical position for the elderly and younger members of the community.
4. Transport through Pilling to urban conurbations.

The group is identifying smaller funding bodies to provide facilities as part of a larger scheme with the Big Lottery.

An open presentation showing the last 103 years of the Pilling Memorial Hall is to be held 29th March. The imminent closure of the Memorial Hall has

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

Chairman

Date