

PILLING PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON WEDNESDAY 10th SEPTEMBER, 2014 at
7.00pm

AT THE MEMORIAL HALL, TAYLORS LANE, PILLING

Present: *Councillors; E. Moorat, Chairman,*
G. Curwen,
J. Edmondson,
D. Lawrenson,
Mrs. B. Schofield,
W. Whiteside
Gillian Benson, Clerk to the Parish Council



4140. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received for this meeting from Cllr. Mrs. E. Cookson, Cllr. S. Morley, Cllr. G. Morris and Cllr. J. Savage. In the absence of the Chairman, Cllr. E. Moorat took the meeting tonight.

4141. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

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

With regard to the planning applications for the relocation of Pilling Memorial Hall and the affordable housing on site, it was stressed to the Councillors that, as the majority of Councillors present have interest in the relocation scheme; these planning applications must be commented on as a non-interested member for the benefit of representing residents.

4142. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Resolved; The minutes of the last meeting, held on 13th August, 2014, having been circulated, were agreed and signed by the Vice-Chairman as a true record.

4143. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The meeting was adjourned.

Police Report

Crimes reported in the past month in Pilling include a visitor on Skitham Lane, took keys to the property enquiries are being made to clarify whether the property was stolen or an inappropriate prank. Drugs were found at premises during a warrant on Horse Park Lane and two stolen trailers. Anti-social behaviour incidents include an Eagland Hill resident was concerned that a rave was going to take place after seeing a number of people entering a field with tents and loud speakers being erected and mini-motos were brought to the beach at Fluke Hall Lane.

The meeting was resumed.

4144. WYRE LOCAL PLAN PARISH COUNCIL ENGAGEMENT

Councillors are to meet Wyre Council to discuss the emerging Local Plan, 14th / 21st October was suggested.

Resolved: To contact Wyre Council with the dates.

4145. PARISH CHARTER

All councillors received a copy of the reviewed Parish Charter from Wyre, since then Cllr. G. Curwen has been elected to look into tailoring the charter to meet the needs of Parish Councils. Concerns were expressed by the Councillors who wished to see a charter which is implementable and deliverable to and by both Parish Councils and Wyre Council, written in simple language with a mechanism for regular reviews to ensure it is working giving examples of how both parties are benefiting. It will need to enrich the relationship between Parish Councils and Wyre Council.

Resolved; Cllr. Curwen will report back after the inaugural meeting.

4146. SEA DEFENCES

Mr. Raymond Holden, having discovered he owns the sea wall from Fluke Hall ramp towards Knott End approached the Parish Council to know of any consequences as regards maintenance, public liability etc, but hoping these are the responsibility of the Environment Agency. Councillors considered this, as it was noted that the land in question is outside Pilling and that the land under the sea wall is the responsibility of the landowner.

Resolved: To contact Mr. Holden stating the land is not in Pilling and suggesting a legal opinion to clarify any matters with the Environment Agency, based on the information received from Wyre Council.

4147. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following planning applications have been granted:

13/00905/FUL

Proposal: Erection of a detached storage building (within use class B8)

Location: Merry Field, Garstang Road, Pilling

13/00885/FULMAJ

Proposal: Erection of 11 affordable dwellings

Location: Land Off Lancaster Road, Pilling

13/00514/NONMAT

Proposal: Non material amendment to planning application: 13/00514/REMMAJ to alter site levels and for the erection of a 2m high fence to the eastern boundary.

Location: Land Rear Of Blue Bell Cottages, Blue Bell Close, Pilling

The following planning application has been refused:

14/00394/FULMAJ

Proposal: Erection of a stable block and a sand paddock and new access

Location: Land Opposite Bankfield, Lancaster Road, Pilling

14/00422/FUL

Proposal: Erection of detached dwelling

Location: Thorncroft, Bradshaw Lane, Pilling

Prior notification IS required for

14/00580/DEM

Proposal: Prior notification for the demolition of existing buildings

Location: Land At, Garstang Road, Pilling

On Site Planning Consultation – North West Concrete.

Councillors had met with residents and representatives from De Pol, who have applied for planning application at North West Concrete. The existing buildings are to be demolished and outline plans have been submitted for 40 houses. Residents were most concerned about drainage of Moss House Lane which runs through the site and explained the foibles of the system to De Pol and Northern Trust, the agents. It was felt that they have listened well and residents were content with the answers they had received to their concerns.

Councillors made comment on the following planning applications;**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 Taylors Lane Pilling

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

14/00632/FUL

Proposal: Ancillary change of use of agricultural land to residential curtilage and construction of new vehicular access to existing dwelling at Damside Farm

Location: Land At Taylors Lane Pilling

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

14/00642/OUTMAJ

Proposal: Outline Planning application for the erection of a new Pilling Memorial Hall and associated car parking including formation of a new pedestrian and vehicular access from Taylor Lane, associated landscape planting, full planning application for the change of use of agricultural land for the creation of recreational open space, children's equipped play area, tennis court/external multi use games area (MUGA) one full size pitch and one 3/4 size football pitch.

Location: Land At Taylors Lane Pilling

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

14/00657/FUL

Proposal: Side extension

Location: Woodacre House 71A Smallwood Hey Road Pilling

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

14/00663/DEM

Proposal: Prior notification for the demolition of existing buildings (re-submission 14/00580/DEM)

Location: Land At Garstang Road Pilling

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

14/00664/FUL

Proposal: Front and rear dormers, single storey rear extension and conservatory to front elevation

Location: Acre Nook, Smallwood Hey Road, Pilling

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

14/00692/FUL**Proposal:** Erection of an agricultural livestock building (Phase 1 of 3)**Location:** Head Dyke Farm Shaws Lane Pilling**14/00693/FUL****Proposal:** Erection of an agricultural livestock building (Phase 2 of 3)**Location:** Head Dyke Farm Shaws Lane Pilling**14/00694/FUL****Proposal:** Erection of an agricultural livestock building (Phase 3 of 3)**Location:** Head Dyke Farm Shaws Lane Pilling

Taken together;

*Resolved: The Parish Council has no objections to these planning applications and seeks neighbourhood notification.***14/00709/FUL****Proposal:** Erection of an agricultural storage building**Location:** Momens Farm New Lane Eagland Hill Pilling**14/00710/FUL****Proposal:** Erection of agricultural livestock building**Location:** Momens Farm New Lane Eagland Hill Pilling

Taken together;

*Resolved: The Parish Council has no objections to these planning applications and seeks neighbourhood notification.***4148. FINANCE****Wyre in Bloom**

The awards ceremony takes place at Southport on 24th October at a cost of £27 per head. Councillors agreed to pay for the Pilling in Bloom representative to attend. Cllr. W. Whiteside, aware that the grant from The Moons Trust needs spending is to consolidate the existing wooden tubs into those still suitable to use and has been sourcing self watering pots for replacement. He will report back to the next meeting with prices.

Finance Report for First Quarter*Resolved: Councillors were circulated with the Finance report for the first quarter and ratified the transfer of £406.38 to the reserve account.***Audit 2013 – 2014**

Pilling Parish Council has been successful in completing the audit with the external auditors and has received opinion. The auditor's report states that 'The Council have included grant monies received with the precept rather than as other receipts.' The clerk pointed out that this is the localised council tax grant issued by the Government and was not itemised in the precept payment from Wyre Council. This will not occur again as Wyre Council has refused to passport this receipt to Parish Councils.

Resolved: Councillors accepted the report and payment of the invoice.

Payments received since the previous meeting:

1. Wyre Council - Wyre in Bloom	£600.00	Repayment claim
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Resolved: Councillors accepted the following invoices for payment:

1. Clerk's salary adjustments and expenses	£ 36.78	
2. Parish Lengthsman wage adjustments and expenses		£ 29.26
3. Prudential AVC (August)	£200.00	Voluntary Pension Contribution
4. Catterall Parish Council	£ 18.47	phone and broadband
5. Wyre Council (North West in Bloom Ceremony)	£ 27.00	
6. BDO LLP Auditors	£360.00	
7. Cornthwaites	£167.58	
8. Sue White Secretarial Services	£238.45	
9. Furness Building Society	£406.38	
10. Chairman's Allowance – J. Savage	£ 7.00	

Direct Debits

Staff costs	£1,670.00
Local Government Pension Scheme	£671.60

Bank Reconciliation to 31st August

Resolved: The members accepted the reconciliation.

Pilling News

The Councillors took their Pilling News to personally deliver to each household in Pilling, but there was a feeling that it is not being read, takes a considerable amount of time for each Councillor to deliver and the news articles can be lacking. This will be discussed in detail at the next meeting.

4149. VERBAL REPORTS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Wyre Councillor

Cllr. D. Lawrenson reported on the present shortage of planning officers and the planning policy meetings in Wyre. It was reported that Wyre Council is looking to become a unitary authority, but Councillors were very concerned at the effect on local services if this is pursued.

Pilling In Bloom

Cllr. B. Whiteside has been visiting shows and is looking to replace some of the rotten wooden tubs around the Village with self watering plastic ones, which can be used to advertise local businesses. The existing tubs will be sorted and consolidated for next years display. To be discussed at the next meeting with costings.

Pilling Memorial Hall

The planning applications for the new hall and the present site have been submitted to Wyre Council for consideration. The committee is looking at funding sources and have met with Community Futures for suggestions. A public consultation will be held to display the recent planning applications and appeal for ideas for the future.

Wyre Area Road Safety Committee

The left hand bend sign at Lane Ends has been replaced, Mill Bridge is not to be resurfaced, the hedge on Head Dyke Lane just past Southland Farm is to be cut back, 'New Surface' sign on Lancaster Road will be investigated, slippery surface at Stakepool Stores it is thought to warn that traffic should take care on the road and the telegraph pole on Taylors Lane at the front of the recent planning application will be removed by the developer.

Report of the representative concerning Halite

Lancashire County Council is chasing Halite to repair Back Lane, after the damage of the well 45 accident.

4150. QUESTIONS FOR COUNCILLORS

Public Footpath 1, Blue Bell Close

It was reported that the footpath has been closed for the past four weeks yet no notice has been given or erected.

Glenfield Caravan Park Lake

It was reported that Glenfield have excavated a pond/fishing lake and laid a car park on fields at the rear of St. Johns Church, School Lane.

Bus Shelters following Blue Bell development

Councillors were concerned that the development on Blue Bell was well under way yet the replacement/new bus shelters have not been fitted.

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

Chairman

Date