

STALMINE-WITH-STAYNALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 10 February 2015 at 7.00pm at the Village Hall, Stalmine

Present: Cllrs J Jackson (Chairman), S Carrington, K Jenkinson and A Wallace

In Attendance: Jan Finch, Clerk to the Council and 3 members of the public.

124(2014-15) Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr D Anderson and the reason accepted.

125(2014-15) Declaration of Interests and Dispensations

126(2014-15) Minutes of the Last Meeting

Resolved: that the minutes of the meeting held on 20 January 2015 be agreed as a true record.

127(2014-15) Public Participation (Including Police Report)

Councillors **resolved** to adjourn the meeting to allow members of the public to bring matters relating to the agenda to the attention of the council.

A member of the public raised concerns about planning applications 15/00042/FUL and 15/00043/FUL. Two members of the public expressed an interest in hearing the Council's discussion and decision on Item 9 (Wyre Council – Call for Sites for Gypsies, Travellers and Travelling Showpeople).

In the absence of a police representative the Clerk reported on the small but increasing amount of crime and anti-social behaviour in the parish.

On the conclusion of public participation councillors **resolved** to reconvene the meeting.

128(2014-15) Local Council Award Scheme

Councillors noted that the Quality Council scheme has now been replaced with the Local Council Award Scheme. Councillors considered the content and expressed concerns that the new scheme did not add value to the work of the parish council. They did not consider that the costs and work involved was a good use of public money and the Clerk's time. On that basis councillors **resolved** not to pursue the new scheme.

129(2014-15) September Meeting

Councillors **resolved** that there would be no meeting in September 2015.

130(2014-15) St Aidans School Community Action Day

Councillors noted that St Aidans is to arrange a Community Action Day in July where school students, their parents/families and members of the local community spend a full day improving a local area and is seeking projects. Councillors **resolved** that there was no current project that met the criteria but further **resolved** to thank St Aidans and to bear the Community Action Day in mind should appropriate projects be identified for future years.

131(2014-15) Parish Action Plan

Councillors considered the action plan and noted that the actions are substantially complete. Councillors therefore **resolved** to carry out consultation to update the action plan later in the year.

132(2014-15) Wyre Council – Call for Sites for Gypsies, Travellers and Travelling Showpeople

Councillors noted that, as part of developing the new Local Plan, Wyre Council has to address the

accommodation needs of the above groups and has asked Town and Parish Councils to put forward any sites which they feel has the potential for this type of development. Councillors **resolved** to inform Wyre Council that there were no appropriate sites in the parish and that the narrow lanes mitigated against such developments.

133(2014-15) Planning Applications

15/00041/OUT

Proposal: Outline application for the erection of one dwelling (re-submission of 14/00413/OUT) with means of access applied for

Location: Land off Carr Lane (south of Beech Dene Farm), Stalmine

It was agreed that the Council has no objections to the proposal.

15/00042/FUL

Proposal: Erection of three holiday cottages following demolition of existing storage building

Location: Highgate Barn, Highgate Lane, Stalmine

15/00043/FUL

Proposal: Variation of condition 02 on application 11/00423/FULMAJ to allow siting of one additional self-catering timber holiday lodge on site

Location: Highgate Barn Caravan Park, Highgate Lane, Stalmine

Councillors considered 00042 and 00043 together. It was agreed that the parish council objects to the proposals on the grounds that they will impact on the residential amenity of neighbours, are over-intensive and impact on the largely agricultural character of the area, access and traffic issues are already problematic and the developments will impact on nature conservation and trees.

15/00060/FUL

Proposal: Creation of a turning area for refuse vehicle and new vehicular access to field

Location: Wardleys Lane Hambleton Poulton-le-Fylde FY6 9DY

It was agreed that the Council has no objections to the proposal.

134(2014-15) Finance

a) Receipts this month

High Interest Account interest	£0.64
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b) Payments to be approved:

Staff costs	£855.57
Staff expenses on behalf of the Council	£24.67
Wyre Area Road Safety Committee	£20.00
Fleetwood High School	£14.38
Wyre Building Supplies	£16.80
Preesall Town Council	£17.64

Payments by Standing Order for Noting:

Easy Websites (monthly hosting fee)	£24.00
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c) Statement of Accounts – January 2014

The statement of accounts for the month ending January 2015 shows

Business Current Account	£105.97
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Business High Interest Account	£6,357.04
General Reserve Account	£3,356.59

d) Budget Monitoring – Quarter 3

The Q3 Budget Monitoring statement was noted.

Councillors **resolved** to approve the accounts for and noted the receipts, the payment by standing order, the statement of accounts and the Q3 budget monitoring report.

135(2014-15) Reports from Outside Bodies (for information)

Cllr Jenkinson reported that he had attended the Wyre Area Committee and that Wyre Council's Chief Executive had been challenged over the unilateral decision to stop automatically sending paper copies of planning applications. He had, however, agreed to review the situation in six months. The Clerk reported that she was keeping a note of any problems, as requested.

136(2014-15) Clerk's Report (for information)

Councillors noted the Clerk's report in respect of:

Fylde Coast Highways and Transport Masterplan

LCC is consulting on the Masterplan between 12 January and 20 February. The full Masterplan can be seen on LCC's website (www.lancashire.gov.uk) and comments can be made online or by writing to Room C4, County Hall, Preston, PR1 0LD.

Plain English Guide to the Planning System

The Government has just published its 'Plain English guide to the planning system'. This document seeks to give a succinct summary of how the planning system in England works under 12 headings including national planning policy, neighbourhood planning, obtaining planning permission and planning enforcement. It is intended to give an overview only and does not set out planning policy or guidance. The guide can be found at www.gov.uk and search for Plain English Guide to the Planning System.

2015 Town and Parish Council Elections

Elections will take place on 7 May 2015. As it is a combined parliamentary, borough and parish election the town and parish council count (if required) will take place on the afternoon/evening of 8 May once the borough count is complete.

Healthy Streets

Healthy Streets is a Lancashire County Council Road Safety initiative. It uses the 20mph scheme to encourage communities to get active. There is a poster to positively reinforce the 20 mph message. This poster is also encouraging people to get in touch with the team as they can help improve elements of particular areas, from cycle routes to plots of land to get communities active. For more information on healthy streets go to www.safe2travel.co.uk/healthystreets.

LCC Parish Conference

The conference will be held from 9.30am to 2pm on Saturday 21 March 2015 at Burnley Town Hall. The event is free and lunch will be provided. Councils are initially limited to two delegates each until demand is known. If any councillor is interested in attending please let the Clerk know. Bookings must be made no later than 2 March.

137(2014-15) Date and Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on **Tuesday 10 March 2014** at 7.00pm.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8pm.