

## Cloughton on Brock Parish Council

### The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 6 August, 2019 commencing at 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall.

#### 1. Those Present

Councillor F.J. Fitzherbert-Brockholes – Chairman  
Councillor S.M. Dewhurst  
Councillor J. M. Gornall  
Councillor R.T. Eccles  
Councillor R. B. Clark  
J.E. Hallas – Clerk  
Wyre and LCC - Councillor S. Turner

#### 2. Apologies

Councillor R.T. Eccles  
Wyre Councillor E. Webster

#### 3. The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 15 May 2019 were resolved by the Council to be a true record.

#### 4. The Chairman declared an interest in planning application 19/00792/FUL . There were no other declarations of personal or prejudicial interest .

#### 5. Chairman's, Councillors' and other Reports

- 5.1. Councillor Turner explained to the Council that there have been allegations reported to Wyre Planning Services that the owners of the Braeden Pony Trekking Stables were acting in breach of the planning permissions granted to them. This matter was discussed in depth and it was agreed to instruct the Parish Clerk to write to the Head of Planning Services to explain the Council Members concerns and wishes to see some lasting enforcement action by Wyre Council officers. It was suggested that a copy be sent to Peter Mason (Wyre Finance) as there may be financial issues that need to be addressed in conjunction with the breaches of planning permissions.

#### 6. Items for Discussion and which may need Resolutions.

- 6.1. The Clerk had listed four planning applications for discussion.

- 6.1.1 19/00457/ FULMAJ - Conversion of Agricultural Buildings to Industrial use Units. The Parish Council agreed that it would raise no observations – the application is still pending decision and the property is in the designated zone for a mix of industrial and other development.

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- 6.1.2 19/00554/FUL Erection of Racking at Garstang Timber Yard. Whilst some members felt that the racking was not aesthetically attractive the Parish Council resolved to raise no objections to this part retrospective application.
- 6.1.3 19/00654/FUL a retrospective application to retain a detached outbuilding at 2, Paradise Cottage, Ducketts Lane. The Parish Council raised no objection and the Clerk confirmed that no approaches had been made to him by nearby residents who may have raised objections directly to Planning Services.
- 6.1.4 19/00792/FUL – Application for 2 additional farm buildings and concrete apron. The Council resolved to raise no observations or objections to this application. (note Councillor Fitzherbert-Brockholes took no part in the decision making for this item).
- 6.2. The Council discussed and resolved to approve the payments listed in the accounts statement that have been made since the last meeting of the Council, cheque numbers 000713 to 000724. The Clerk informed that monthly payments to Easy Web Sites Ltd, the provider of the Parish Council Website have now converted from monthly standing order payment to Direct Debit. There had been a delay in cancelling the standing order and 2 payments had gone through but arrangements for refunding these to the Parish Account had been made.
- 6.3. The Council members were issued with a copy of the current account and reconciliation sheet, these were checked and the account reconciliation was completed using the latest Bank statement dated 27 July 2019.
- 6.4 The Chairman and Clerk reported on the progress to date on the B4RN fibre broadband project, and the latest project newsletter was distributed to the members. It was explained that the project had been given approval to proceed by B4RN management. The priority for the community volunteers is to obtain jointly signed Wayleaves from both land owners and tenants, where applicable, for submission to B4RN as soon as possible. Completion of this is critical to securing an early position in B4RN's work queue. It was also reported that the initial target (£65K) for share purchase had been exceeded and the latest figure is £73,400. The Clerk advised that it is important to encourage further share purchases as this will also aid the project's bid for earlier commencement. The Clerk advised that B4RN banners had now been purchased and will be in place during the next few days. The Chairman explained the work he had been doing together Christina Campion and Chris Gornall to walk and define ducting routes and wayleaves needed.

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The Clerk added that the community had been greatly served by the contribution been made by Christina Campion, Chris Gornall and others.

- 6.5. The Parish Council discussed and resolved to confirm approval of the payment of £207.98 under S137 expenditure for the B4RN project advertising banners.
  
- 7. Other Items for Information and Discussion Only
  - 7.1. The Clerk reported on a number of minor issues and explained about a number of items he was forwarding to members by email for their perusal and responses where applicable.
  
  - 8. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2019 at 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall.

Minutes prepared by: .....J.E. Hallas (Clerk)

Approved by: .....F.J.Fitzherbert-Brockholes (Chairman)

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