

PILLING PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON WEDNESDAY 14th MARCH, 2018,
7.00PM
AT ST. JOHN'S CHURCH HALL,
SCHOOL LANE, PILLING



Present: *Councillors;* *J. Savage, Chairman*
G. Curwen, Vice-Chairman,
E. Moorat, Vice-Chairman,
J. Barton,
Mrs. E. Cookson,
N. Cookson,
P. McWhirter,
Mrs. B. Schofield,
Mrs. D. Schofield,
Gillian Benson, Clerk to the Parish Council
Lancashire County Councillor M. Salter,
One Resident

4592. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr. W. Whiteside. Wyre Councillor Graham Holden sent apologies; attending a meeting in Wyre.

4593. NOTIFICATION OF INTERESTS

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

4594. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Resolved: The minutes of the meeting held on 14th February, 2018 having been circulated, were agreed and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

4595. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The meeting was suspended.

Lancashire County Councillor Salter

County Cllr. Salter reported that School Lane is to be resurfaced in the coming financial year, but was unsure as to what this is to entail or the treatment of the slippages. He was asked to find out when and to arrange a site meeting between Lancashire County Council and the Parish Council prior to starting to settle the details and the slippages.

Cllr. Salter sits on the Internal Scrutiny Committee, but listens into a number of other committees to become familiar with procedure. His interests include education and flooding.

The meeting was resumed.

4596. PILLING IN BLOOM

The Pilling in Bloom site volunteers to care for the floral displays in the village were confirmed:

Bradshaw Lane junction: Fold House
Seed Drill; Bodkin Hall: Mr. P. McCaffrey
Community Hall Field: Mr. P. McWhirter
Mill Bridge

Sea gulls; opposite St. John's School:
Golden Ball
Cheese press
Triangle at the Village Green
Old Folks Bungalows: Mr. Danson

4597. SMALLWOOD HEY BUS SHELTER

Landowners were approached about locating a bus shelter on Smallwood Hey Road, but have decided not to allow one on their land. Councillors discussed other possible locations on Smallwood Hey Road, but conceded this was the best place for passengers to cover all the bus movements. A cantilevered shelter was suggested to be used over the footway as it would not obstruct pedestrians.

Resolved: To establish if the existing shelter could be modified and if not the price of a new shelter.

4598. PILLING WATER PROBLEMS

Following on from last meeting concerned with forming a Flood Action Group, John Blundell asked for a list of flooded locations, an initial list was formulated and circulated to Councillors and registered residents for input. Councillors discussed the list and added that a blocked drain had been cleared on Brick House Farm road and this was successfully draining water from Fishers Row. Properties on Skitham Lane were in danger of flooding and only saved by their own pumps, but the house is below the level of the road.

Resolved: To send the Flooding List to Wyre Council, but add that it remains open as future problems occur.

The clerk reported on the response to form a Pilling Flood Action Group there are a number of residents willing which have been passed to Wyre Councillor Holden to form the group, it is noticeable the residents are centred in the two flooded areas. Flood Action Groups are there to warn residents of impending flooding, to respond, get sandbags distributed etc. during potential flooding incidents.

Resolved: To ask Wyre Councillor Holden to form the Pilling Action Group.

4599. FLOODING LETTER TO MPS

Churchtown Flood Action Group is asking Parish Councils to consider supporting a letter to our 15 Lancashire MPs and the Government to consider important flooding issues in Lancashire.

Resolved: Pilling Parish Council fully supports the flooding letter to the 15 local MPs for action in the North West.

4600. SMALLWOOD HEY ROAD STREET NUMBERING

Cllr. N. Cookson declared an interest as he lives on Smallwood Hey Road and had received some of the replies following the letter drop.

The meeting was adjourned to allow a resident to speak.

The resident considered the information supplied by Wyre Council was inflexible and contained false information.

The meeting was resumed.

Councillors discussed the responses and were wary as to carrying out the same exercise at the moment. Cllr. N. Cookson proposed that Pilling Parish Council supports the numbering of properties on Smallwood Hey and this was carried.

Resolved: In view of reaching the 2/3 majority required by Wyre Council to carry out numbering; ask Wyre Council how to proceed?

4601. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following planning applications were **permitted**:

17/01034/FUL

Proposal: Single storey rear extension
Location: 67 Lancaster Road Pilling

17/00885/FUL

Proposal: Change of use of Grade II listed building from hotel (Use Class C1) to residential dwelling (Use Class C3)
Location: Springfield House Hotel 18 Wheel Lane Pilling

17/01162/OUT

Proposal: Outline application for a replacement dwelling
Location: The Nook Fluke Hall Lane Pilling

The following planning application was **refused**:

17/01022/FUL

Proposal: Erection of a replacement dwelling (including demolition of existing dwelling)
Location: Bimsons Cottage Wheel Lane Pilling

Planning Appeal

Location: Land Rear Of Chequers and Wyresdale Smallwood Hey Road Pilling Preston

Proposal: Outline application for the erection of one detached dwelling (all matters reserved)

Application Number: 17/00396/OUT

Appeal Reference: APP/U2370/W/18/3195063

Lawful Certificate granted:

17/01188/LAWE

Certificate of lawful development for the retention of the existing, original dwelling
Head Dyke Farm Shaws Lane Pilling

Councillors made comment on the following planning applications;

18/00138/REMAJ

Proposal: Reserved matters application for the erection of 40 dwellings following planning permission 16/00317/OUTMAJ (reserved matters appearance, landscaping, layout and scale)

Location: Land At Garstang Road Pilling

Resolved: The Parish Council has no objections to this planning application and requests neighbourhood notification. Parish Council aware of rights of way over the site.

18/00175/FUL

Proposal: Erection of a detached double garage

Location: Kilbirnie Garstang Road Pilling

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

18/00197/FUL

Proposal: Two storey side extension.

Location: Ling Cottage Lancaster Road Pilling

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

18/00211/FULMAJ

Proposal: Erection of a replacement tractor factory to include showroom, staff office, staff facilities and workshop

Location: Unit 5 Taylors Lane Industrial Estate Taylors Lane Pilling

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

4602. FINANCE**Request for donation**

Bowland Pennine Mountain Rescue Team requested a donation towards their work, which includes search and rescue for missing persons.

Resolved: Pilling Parish Council to donate £50.00.

Finance Committee

The committee signed off the second and third quarter's accounts and recommends a transfer of £218.02 to Furness Building Society under the 50% grounds maintenance system.

Resolved: The full council supports the transfer of £218.02 to Furness Building Society.

Payments received since the previous meeting:

1. Bank Interest – February	£ 0.19	
2. Cash donation for Christmas Party	£ 15.00	
3. Lancashire County Council	£397.00	Amenity Grass Cutting
4. Catterall Parish Council	£ 75.56	
		Parish Lengthsman working in Catterall Parish during illness
5. Wyre Area Road Safety Committee	£ 7.48	stationery and stamps.

Standing Order credit

1. St. John's Church – Grounds Maintenance	£ 65.00
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Councillors considered and approved payment for the following accounts;

1. Clerk's salary adjustments and expenses	£ 49.83	
2. Parish Lengthsman wage and expenses	£ 55.00	
3. Catterall Parish Council	£ 20.88	Phone and Broadband
4. St. Johns Church Hall – Room Hire	£ 20.00	
5. Houghtons Filling Station	£176.50	Dec. and Jan.
6. Bell Farm – Christmas Party	£126.50	incl. £20 donation to party
7. E-On – Christmas Tree lights	£ 4.61	
8. Furness Building Society	£218.02	
9. Bowland Pennine Mountain Rescue	£ 50.00	

Monthly Standing Orders/Direct Debits

Staff costs	£1,660.00
Local Government Pension Scheme	£794.88
Prudential AVC	£350.00.
Easy-Web-Sites	£ 24.00
St. John's Church Hall – Access to facilities	£100.00

Bank Reconciliation

Resolved: Councillors accepted Bank Reconciliation to 28th February, 2018.

Reserve Account Transfer

Transfer £5,000.00 from Furness Building Society to the current account to ensure payments can be met.

4603. VERBAL REPORTS FOR INFORMATION ONLY**Chairman's Report**

Cllr. J. Savage reported on the General Data Protection Regulations to be introduced in May. Wyre Council is holding a training evening and the Chairman will attend.

Pilling In Bloom

Cllr. Whiteside will order plants: the village to reflect the theme of the end of WWI.

Report of the representative on the Pilling Memorial Hall Committee/Pilling 20:20

Cllr. P. McWhirter reported on recent interviews with architects to carry out the building of the new Community Hall, Frost has been chosen and will be looking at quotes to build the hall with the available funding. The Big Lottery phase 3 will be in August and the plans and quotes will need submitted, then the tendering will start.

The trim trail is accessible from the car park with a new path, to be topped; weather permitting. There will be a community event to open the trail and activity stations.

Volunteers are needed to help plant trees this Saturday.

Eagland Hill ANPR

Cllr. Mrs. D. Schofield reported the Grantscape decision is due at the end of this month with notification in April. The grant was submitted for the full amount for the camera.

Halite Community Panel

Cllr. Mrs. D. Schofield reported Halite is holding site meetings around the drilling area.

HR Committee met to consider advertising the position of Pilling Parish Lengthsman, due to retirement. The job description, application form and advert were resolved and adverts will appear in local publications and on noticeboards.

Water Update

Cllr. J. Barton reported on the licence local farmers are trying to obtain to desilt the seaward channel beyond the seawall; there have been many setbacks with changes in criteria when submitted. It was to cover 10 years, but it looks like it will only be for one year, in March and September. The formation of the method statement has taken a great deal of work to satisfy the authorities concerned. Seemingly Natural England were unaware any properties in Pilling were flooded as none were registered!! Although no one mentioned this at the last meeting nor where this register is?

The penstock doors were inspected when it was noticed they were not closing it was found that the bolts had sheared off. This has been referred back to the installers for rectification.

4604. QUESTIONS FOR COUNCILLORS**Registering flooded farmland**

Cllr. Mrs. D. Schofield raised the Organic Soil Association were registering farmland and crops ruined by flood water.

Junction of Bluebell Close and school Lane

The pavement at this junction is sinking so badly it may take the lamp post into the road.

Local Police Meeting

Held in Pilling the local Inspector reported the neighbourhood team at Garstang will continue and response teams will come from Fleetwood. There will be no figures available for residents or Parish Councils, but the Police website will give general incidents for areas. During flooding in Pilling roads needed closing to stop further damage but only Lancashire Constabulary or Lancashire County Council can do this. Cllr. N. Cookson will ask at the next Wyre Flood Forum how do rural areas, with little Police cover, get flooded roads closed to stop further damage?

Road Resurfacing:

Garstang Road from Ambleside to Crawley Cross Farm from 5th to 16th March for carriageway resurfacing works. Cllr. J. Barton reported on progress; the planning team cleared the road in 2½ days and were helpful to residents, differing levels between 100mm to 40mm were planed. The base coat was completed last week with the top surface complete from Crawley Cross to just short of Jarvis Carr at present. The machine laying the tarmac covers the full width in one operation; hopefully they will be finished by Friday. **Lancaster Road, Out Rawcliffe** from Bradshaw Lane to Rawcliffe Road will now be closed from 5th to 18th June to allow pre-surface dressing patching, rather than April.

Bone Hill Lane

County Councillor Salter has chased the change to non-adoption of Bone Hill Lane by Lancashire County Council and corrections have been made, it is now unclassified, therefore potholes etc. can be reported again.

Christmas Tree Lights

North West Electricity is to increase their prices from 15.75 perKw to 17.90 perKw and have issued an unmetered Supplies Certificate for the Christmas Tree lights.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.20pm.

Chairman

Date