

PILLING PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON WEDNESDAY 10th APRIL, 2013
Following the Annual Parish Meeting

AT THE MEMORIAL HALL, TAYLORS LANE, PILLING



Present: *Councillors; J. Savage Chairman,*
 E. Cookson
 G. Curwen,
 J. Edmondson,
 E. Moorat,
 S. Morley,
 Mrs. B. Schofield
 W. Whiteside
 Gillian Benson, Clerk to the Parish Council
 Two residents

3942. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were sent for Cllr. G. Morris and the reason accepted.

3943. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

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

Cllr. B. Schofield declared a personal interest in item 3946, as a member of the family.

Cllr. S. Morley declared a prejudicial interest in the finance as his company has an invoice for consideration.

Cllr. S. Morley declared a personal interest in planning application 13/00171/FUL as a member of the family.

3944. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Resolved; The minutes of the last meeting, held on 13th March, 2013, having been circulated, were agreed and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

3945. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The meeting was adjourned to allow residents to speak.

Wyre Council's lack of action

Residents were concerned at the lack of action to repeated enquiries and in particular the enforcement case with Wyresdale Concrete. Despite the planning inspectors report the working hours have not reduced and Wyre is telling the residents they must prove the noise nuisance. Also letters and telephone calls to Wyre are not being answered or returned. The Parish Council will raise this matter again with Wyre Council and copy the Wyre Councillor into any correspondence.

The meeting was resumed.

3946. REQUEST BY PILLING JUBILEE SILVER BAND

For the first time in their history Pilling Jubilee Silver Band has qualified for the National Championships in Cheltenham this September, but the members need to raise over £5,000 in order to attend. As part of their fundraising efforts, a number of concerts are to be held, one being in Pilling Memorial Hall. The members are appealing to Pilling Parish Council for a donation towards appearing at the Nationals. Councillors considered this appeal.

Cllr. Mrs. B. Schofield did not take part in the discussions.

Resolved: That Pilling Parish Council donates £500 to assist the band getting to the championships.

3947. VERGE MAINTENANCE CONTRACT

Lancashire County Council has sent their payment arrangements for grass cutting for 2013 – 2014. The new flat rate, which is again down on last year will be 40pence per sq/m and will be applied to all Parish grass cutting county wide based on a standard of 5 cuts plus a lift and disposal of the first cut.

2012 – 2013 £600.16

2013 – 2014 £545.60

Councillors considered this payment and decided it was better to accept the funding although the grass cutting is maintained at a higher level for the benefit of residents.

Resolved; To accept the grass cutting contract from Lancashire County Council.

Lancashire County Council's Right of Way Scheme

Resolved: That Pilling Parish Council will sign up to the Rights of Way Scheme for this year.

3948. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following planning applications were granted:

13/00073/FUL

Proposal: Extension of existing agricultural workers dwelling to include Bed & Breakfast holiday accommodation (resubmission of 12/00791/FUL)

Location: Herdman House Farm, Peahall Lane, Pilling

13/00077/FUL

Proposal: Erection of a single storey rear extension.

Location: The Crossing Cottage, Lambs Lane, Pilling

Planning Application for consideration

The Councillors made comment on the following planning applications:

13/00171/FUL

Proposal: Change of use of cafe, kitchen and car park to domestic use in association with the dwelling at Old Carr Farmhouse

Location: Old Carr Farm School Lane Pilling

Cllr. S. Morley did not take part in the discussions.

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

13/00169/FUL

Proposal: Single-storey rear extension

Location: Eagland Hill Cottages 1 New Lane Eagland Hill, Pilling

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

13/00211/FUL

Proposal: Erection of a detached dwelling (amendments to app: 08/00556) and the erection of a detached garage

Location: Rosedale House, Bradshaw Lane, Pilling

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

13/00233/FUL

Proposal: Erection of electricity sub-station for Orchard End Wind Farm

Location: Orchard End, New Lane, Eagland Hill, Pilling

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

3949. FINANCE**Payments received:**

1. Wyre Council	£250.00	Grounds Main. Contract
2. Bank Interest	£ 0.59	
3. Kirkland Parish Council	£207.32	
		Parish Lengthsman working in Churchtown
4. Wyre Council	£48,054.00	
		Precept: £45,000
		Rural Grant: £ 3,054 (Final Payment)

Resolved: Councillors accepted the following invoices for payment:

1. Clerk's salary and expenses	£ 68.66	
2. Parish Lengthsman wages and expenses	£ 33.28	
3. Prudential AVC Scheme	£100.00	Clerk's pension AVC
4. Catterall Parish Council	£ 19.57	Telephone invoice
5. Lancashire Association of Local Councils	£322.30	Subscriptions
6. Stewart Morley	£165.97	
7. E-On – Christmas Tree electricity	£ 1.05	
8. Preesall Town Council	£ 25.00	
		Health and Safety Course for the Parish Lengthsman
9. C and C Supplies	£ 50.75	
10. Houghton's Filling Station	£125.00	
11. Pilling Jubilee Silver Band	£500.00	

Direct Debits

Staff costs	£1,600.00
Local Government Pension Scheme	£576.60

Bank Reconciliation

The bank reconciliation and Financial Statement to 31st March, 2013 were accepted by members.

Audit 2012 – 2013

The Year End accounts for the Parish Council were accepted by members and signed by the Chairman and Responsible Financial Officer.

3950. VERBAL REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

Most reports were given in the Annual Parish Meeting

Halite

It was reported that the planning application by Halite to store gas under the River Wyre has been refused by the IPC.

3951. QUESTIONS TO COUNCILLORS

Amenity Area

It was raised that a new fence has been erected at the amenity Area, this was by volunteers and the Parish Lengthsman was helping them with tools.

Village Green

Cllr. E. Moorat was concerned at the lack of reply from Wyre Council over an answer to the request of improvements for the Village Green which was decided on 20th March. Despite numerous calls and e-mails there has been no reply.

20MPH outside St. Williams School

It was reported that the 20MPH advisory flashing lights were working 24/7 even though it is out of term time.

Notice Boards

There have been a number of incidents with the notice boards' doors. The three boards are rotting along the bottom edge of the doors and this may allow the glass/Perspex to fall out. The board at the Reading Room has lost one of its doors, which fall off last week and the board at England Hill is rotten. It was suggested to look for plastic notice boards for durability and weight and with the rise in metal theft.

Highways Improvements in Pilling

Councillors were informed that Head Dyke Lane is to receive a 2 course inlay from Head Dyke Lane to Fold House and Skitham Lane is to be surface dressed from Lancaster Road to Woods Lane.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.50pm.

Chairman

Date