

PILLING PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON WEDNESDAY 9th JULY, 2014 at 7.00pm

AT THE MEMORIAL HALL, TAYLORS LANE, PILLING

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



4110. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received for this meeting from Cllr. Mrs. E. Cookson and Cllr. G. Morris.

4111. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

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

4112. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Resolved; The minutes of the last meeting, held on 11th June, 2014, having been circulated, were agreed and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

4113. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The meeting was adjourned to allow the residents present to speak.

Police Report

A Police report was read out which included a metal gate stolen from Lane End Amenity Area and £30 stolen from a store in Stakepool. Report of speeding motor cyclists on A588, two vehicles on Pilling Sands and neighbourhood dispute on Skitham Lane.

Pilling in Bloom

The resident congratulated Cllr. Whiteside and Pilling in Bloom for the very colourful displays around the village, they are a real credit.

Planning in Pilling

Residents are greatly concerned at the new housing Wyre Council is permitting in Pilling. According to Wyre the affordable housing need in Pilling is 26 homes per year for the next 5 years, with no market housing at all, due to Pilling sitting in zone3 flood area, these are the only new builds receiving permission. 130 affordable houses will seriously change the dynamics of residents and it is feared that there are insufficient Pilling families to fill these houses, so the net will be cast further and further away. Cllr.

D. Lawrenson added that although Wyre is not allowing single applications; groups/estates may be possible through the support of the Parish Council.

It was raised that the demographics of Pilling means that 25% of the population will be retiring in the next 10 years, many of whom will be looking to down size, but there are no available bungalows or smaller houses in the village. We will lose these residents, many of whom will shop local, keep the organisations going and therefore the social life of Pilling.

The Chairman informed residents that Wyre Council is looking to build houses then get the infrastructure sorted out. We know that United Utilities has a legal right to provide water and sewage to all new builds, but Pilling systems are under pressure constantly. It was noted that St. Johns School is filled to capacity, though St. Williams could take more. Parish Planning Ambassadors were told that Wyre Council will be listening, but there seems to be real issues with planning in Pilling.

The meeting was resumed.

4114. PARISH CHARTER

Wyre Council has reviewed the Parish Charter and are asking Parish Council to accept the partnership working and sign up their agreement. Councillors had read through the revised document and were not prepared to sign up at present. It was noted that the previous Charter was not adhered to and this one only reiterates the same sections. There is a need to meet Wyre Council officials to talk through what is expected on both sides.

Resolved: Pilling Parish Council is not prepared to sign up to the Parish Charter at this time.

4115. WATERING PLANTS IN PILLING

The floral displays are in need of watering constantly, but with few volunteers, this is not happening. Councillors initially considered the purchase of a bowser to water the displays, however, three 200 litre drums have been sourced and this will need a pump. A number of pumps were considered.

Resolved: To send a donation of £15 for the drums and purchase a 2.5HP petrol water pump from Cornthwaites.

4116. PILLING COFFEE FEAST, 2014

Councillors are invited to attend Pilling Coffee Feast on 26th July from 1.45pm; a number of Councillors are already involved in the Feast in one capacity or another.

Resolved: The Chairman and Cllr. Mrs. B. Schofield will judge the floats and ride in the procession with Cllr. D. Lawrenson.

The Parish Lengthsman will pick up road closure signs from Wyre Council on Friday and return on the Monday. Litter pick up has been arranged with Wyre Council.

4117. PLANNING MATTERS RAISED WITH WYRE

The Parish Council wrote to Wyre concerned at a number of organisational issues which were experienced during a planning application for land off Lancaster Road. Councillors read through both the letter and reply and gave comments. The planning application for the land off Lancaster Road was decided at Wyre's Planning Committee last week and the Parish Council spoke against the application. It was reported that Wyre Council conducted the meeting badly; beginning with showing the wrong plan for the application and there was disappointment that the Wyre Councillor was not able to represent the residents.

Resolved: To write to Wyre Council in response to their planning comments.

4118. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following planning applications have been granted:

14/00306/FUL

Proposal: Single-storey side extension to provide garage and new access

Location: Broadfield, Smallwood Hey Road, Pilling

14/00345/FUL

Proposal: New front porch and chimney stack

Location: Moss Cottage, Bradshaw Lane, Pilling

13/00450/DIS

Proposal: Application for agreement of details of condition 3 (desktop study) relating to planning application 13/00450/FUL

Location: 4 Eskham Cottages, Skitham Lane, Pilling

Prior approval is not required for the following application;

14/00296/HPN

Proposal: Single storey rear extension

Location: Fourways, Lancaster Road, Pilling

Planning Applications for consideration

The Councillors made comment on the following planning applications:

14/00475/FUL

Proposal: Extension to existing industrial building

Location: Siromer Tractors, Taylors Lane Industrial Estate, Taylors Lane, Pilling

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

14/00491/FUL

Proposal: Single storey rear extension

Location: Mayfield Cottage, Fluke Hall Lane, Pilling

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

For information only:

13/00514/NONMAT

Proposal: Non material amendment to planning application: 13/00514/REMMAJ to alter site levels and for the erection of a fence to the eastern boundary and amended drainage proposals

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

13/00/NONMAT

Proposal: Alterations to ground floor plan to form shower room. Alterations to windows, doors and garage and addition of plinth brickwork to perimeter of building.

Location: Land at Primrose Villa, School Lane, Pilling

Planning Committee

13/00885/FULMAJ

Proposal: Erection of 11 affordable dwellings

Location: Land off Lancaster Road, Pilling

Resolved: The application was granted by the Planning Committee.

Tree Preservation Order

007/2014/TPO

Land adjacent to Primrose Villa, School Lane, Pilling – one Oak Tree

The TPO was provisionally made on 12th June, 2014 for 28 days to allow for consultation.

4119. FINANCE

The following was received by the Parish Council:

1. Moons Trust – Pilling in Bloom	£400.00	
2. McDermott Homes – hedge cutting	£ 45.00	
3. HMRC – G. Benson	£773.03	Over payment of NI Contributions
4. Catterall Parish Council	£ 24.52	
5. HMRC – G. Armer	£1,378.33	Over payment of NI Contributions

Reserve Account

Annual Interest Statement for 2013 - 2014 £472.04

Resolved: Councillors accepted the following invoices for payment:

1. Clerk’s salary and expenses	£ 39.77	
2. Parish Lengthsman wages and expenses	£ 28.66	
3. Prudential AVC (July)	£200.00	Voluntary Pension Contribution
4. Catterall Parish Council	£ 17.81	phone and broadband
5. HMRC	£875.03	
6. Catterall Parish Council	£178.83	Stationery, toners etc
7. Houghtons Filling Station	£185.51	
8. Sue White Secretarial Services	£253.09	

Direct Debits

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

4120. QUESTIONS FOR COUNCILLORS

Hedge on Lancaster Road

It was again reported that the Lancashire County Council hedge on the service road off Lancaster Road hasn’t been cut, with being over a narrow footpath pedestrians are forced on to the road.

WWI Commemoration on 4th August

The Pilling Ecumenical Group is organising a service to mark the outbreak of WWI. A short service for everyone in Pilling will be held in Pilling Memorial Hall at 7pm on 4th August. A display about those soldiers whose names are on the War Memorial will be held during the day.

Broadfleet Bridge surface

The road surface of Broadfleet Bridge is lethal to cyclists with the number of potholes and uneven surfaces. To raise at Lancashire Association of Local Councils meeting.

Pilling Newsletter

Copies of the Newsletter are to be distributed for delivery, these will contain the new timetable for the 89 and 89H service through Pilling and details of the Ecumenical Service to mark the outbreak of WWI.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.55pm.

Chairman

Date