

PILLING PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON WEDNESDAY 13th MARCH, 2013 AT 7.00PM

AT THE MEMORIAL HALL, TAYLORS LANE, PILLING

Present: *Councillors; J. Savage Chairman,*
E. Cookson
G. Curwen,
J. Edmondson,
D. Lawrenson,
E. Moorat,
G. Morris
S. Morley,
Gillian Benson, Clerk to the Parish Council
Two residents



3933. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were sent for Cllr. Mrs. B. Schofield and Cllr. W. Whiteside and the reasons accepted.

3934. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

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

3935. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

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

3936. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The meeting was adjourned to allow residents to speak.

Including a Police Report

PCSO Terry Molloy was unable to attend, but sent a Police report. There has been one crime in February, compared to 3 for the same period last year, this was a theft, according to facebook 'sometime between the hours of 01:00 and 01:30 on the 19th Feb offenders have entered a secure compound on Bradshaw Lane, Stakepool and approached a HGV tractor unit and siphoned approximately 50 litres of fuel before making off undetected.' Three anti-social behaviour incidents were reported against one last year, one was youth related and the others were neighbourhood disputes.

Wyresdale Concrete

The residents raised that the hours in the planning inspectors report are not being adhered to. A letter from planning enforcement promised action within 28 days, but this has now over run. The Parish Council will chase up Wyre planning to see what is happening. The residents were pleased to see the inspectors report gave credit to the concerns of the neighbours.

The meeting was resumed.

3937. ASSET REGISTER

The asset register has been brought up to date by the Parish Lengthsman and the Councillors did not add/remove any other items.

Resolved: The Parish Council accepts the Asset Register.

3938. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following planning applications were granted:

13/00007/FUL

Proposal: Alterations to elevations of the building and roof lift

Location: Pilling Pottery, School Lane, Pilling

The following lawful certificate has been refused:

13/00019/LAWP

Proposal: Certificate of Lawful Development for proposed single storey rear extension

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

Planning Appeal

The following planning appeal has been partly allowed:

Wyresdale Concrete Products, Old Station Yard, Bradshaw Lane, Pilling

Permission is granted for the extension, but the operating hours of the new extension will be 8.00am to 6.00pm Monday to Saturday with no working on Sundays or Bank Holidays.

Planning Application for consideration

The Councillors made comment on the following planning applications:

13/00073/FUL

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

Location: Herdman House Farm Peahall Lane Pilling

Resolved: The Parish Council is uncomfortable with the intentions of this planning application, but can see no planning reasons to object.

13/00102/FUL

Proposal: Single storey rear extension

Location: Cleeve Cottage, Lancaster Road, Pilling

Resolved: The Parish Council has no objections, with consideration given to the impact on neighbours.

13/00111/FUL

Proposal; Removal of condition 05 of application 11/00109/FUL to allow former piggery to be sold, let or used separately to the hotel

Location: Springfield House Hotel, Wheel Lane, Pilling

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

3939. FINANCE

Payments received:

1. Wyre Council £250.00 Grounds Main. Contract

Resolved: Councillors accepted the following invoices for payment:

1. Clerk's salary and expenses	£ 20.91	
2. Parish Lengthsman wages and expenses	£ 48.94	
3. Prudential AVC Scheme	£100.00	Clerk's pension AVC
4. Catterall Parish Council	£ 17.37	Telephone invoice
5. Sue White Secretarial Services	£273.89	Pilling News
6. Houghton's Filling Station	£ 90.00	
7. C & C Supplies	£ 52.80	

Direct Debits

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

Bank Reconciliation

Bank reconciliation to 28th February, 2013 was accepted by Councillors.

3940. VERBAL REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

Report from the Chairman

The Chairman was very concerned with the tone of messages received from the owner of the industrial estate on Taylors Lane accusing the Parish Council of engaging surveyors for the Memorial Hall. The Parish Council has no knowledge of any surveyors and the matter is being pursued by the Police.

Wyre Councillor

Cllr. D. Lawrenson reported on the leader's speech, which will be circulated to Councillors. Wyre's web site is the best for customers, Rossall Point is open to view across Morecambe Bay and Wyre has saved £6.2million in the past 5 years. Wyre is in negotiations with a local doctor's surgery to use some of the Civic Centre and as the Mayor of Wyre he had visited Home Start, who offer support to families with problems without judgement. The Mayor had raised £579 on his sponsored tandem bike ride from Fleetwood to Cleveleys.

Senior Citizens' Christmas Party

The clothes collection continues until the end of March.

Pilling 20 20

The three solicitors are talking to each other about selling the old site, submitting planning permission and purchasing the new field.

Wyre Area Road Safety Committee

The continuing depressions in the surface of School Lane were raised; it is noticeable that the stretch from Blue Bell Farm to St. John's Church is particularly uneven and rough. United Utilities have relined all their sewer pipes during the Summer, although Lancashire County Council was unaware of this.

The Police CCTV sign on the lamp post entering the Village at Lancaster Road needs straightening. The road surface of Garstang Road from St. William's School to the Elletsons is breaking up again. Taylors Lane has been designated a 30MPH for some time now, but roads accessing onto Taylors Lane are still carrying the wrong speed limit.

Meeting on Sea Wall with the Environment Agency

Cllr. S. Morley, the Parish Lengthsman met with Wayne Thorpe of the Environment Agency following the noticeable drop in the level of water in the dykes. Unfortunately this was due to the Environment Agency, rather something on the other side of the wall. The tides at present are low and this allows more water to get away for longer. Just beyond the gates the sand levels are shallow as the silt settles here initially, but further out there are many deep pools. They could see the water cutting new channels beyond the grass. About 50 yards from the gate water is only trickling and the Environment Agency is to dig this out. Work is being carried out at Cockerham using a boat to monitor levels and depths.

Wayne was also made aware of the trees over hanging and fallen in the dyke at Stakepool, opposite St. William’s and the Auction Mart and the state of the dykes in Scronkey.

Village Green

Cllr. E. Moorat has met with Jane Ferguson from Wyre, who was interested in the proposed improvements and Garry Payne has been approached with a view to transfer/lease the Green to the Parish Council. The appeal is to be considered at the Council meeting on 20th March. In the meantime he has been pursuing benches and approached North West Precast, who can produce the bench ends. Funding has been sought from the Moons Trust.

3941. QUESTIONS TO COUNCILLORS

Wheel Lane

There is a large pothole outside Arndale, Wheel Lane. The open dyke at the same place is showing a film of oil, which may be leaking from the nearby sub station.

See Saw on Play Area

There were concerns that after months of waiting and promises from Wyre the see saw on the Village Green Play Area remains broken and unusable. It is to be replaced as parts for the present one are unobtainable. The tape is wearing and there is the potential of finger traps under the cross piece.

Bus Service

It was noted that the re-routed bus service through the Village seems not to be adhering to the timetable. Councillors were asked to note times and dates of the buses.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.25pm.

Chairman

Date