

PILLING PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON WEDNESDAY 9th OCTOBER, 2013 AT 7.00pm

AT THE MEMORIAL HALL, TAYLORS LANE, PILLING

Present: *Councillors; J. Savage, Chairman,*
Mrs. E. Cookson,
E. Moorat
S. Morley,
Mrs. B. Schofield,
Gillian Benson, Clerk to the Parish Council
One resident.



4011. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr. G. Curwen, Cllr. J. Edmondson, Cllr. D. Lawrenson and Cllr. W. Whiteside and the reasons accepted.

4012. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Councillors disclosed pecuniary or non pecuniary interests in matters to be discussed at this meeting.

4013. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Resolved; The minutes of the last meeting, held on 11th September, 2013, having been circulated and agreed were signed by the Chairman as a true record.

4014. QUOTE FOR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT

The sit-on mower, which is now almost five years old and the push mower, which is held together with 'string and sticky tape', due to the lack of reliability of spare parts need replacing. Councillors considered a quote and noted that the new sit on mower will come complete with first registration and flasher and this was under the de-minimus amount. The old sit-on mower will be taken in part exchange.

Resolved: That the Parish Council accepts the quote and will replace the sit-on mower and the push mower with Cornthwaites.

4015. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The meeting was adjourned to allow residents to speak.

Police Report

PCOS Terry Molloy sent a report stating that there were no reported anti-social behaviour incidents or crimes for Pilling in September this year. This compares with 2 anti-social behaviour incidents and one theft for September 2012.

The meeting was resumed.

4016. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following planning applications have been granted:

13/00517/LAWE

Proposal: Certificate of lawfulness for existing use of land as domestic garden / domestic outbuildings

Location: Moss Houses, Moss House Lane, Pilling

13/00646/LAWP

Proposal: Lawful Development Certificate for proposed pitched roof to existing garage

Location: Eland Grange, Lancaster Road, Pilling

Planning Applications for consideration

The Councillors made comment on the following planning applications:

13/00676/FUL

Proposal: Erection of one dwelling and detached single garage

Location: Land adjacent to The Ducklings, Duck Street, Pilling

Resolved: The Parish Council has no objections to the plans, but are alarmed to see submissions following the announcement by Wyre that Pilling is in Flood zone3 and unsuitable for new builds.

For information only:

Heavy Goods Vehicle Operators' Licence

OC1123611 R C & R Civil Engineering Ltd

Camberley Farm, Union Lane, Pilling

3 Vehicles and 1 Trailer

4017. FINANCE

The following payment has been made to the Parish Council:

1. Furness Building Society	£472.04	Annual Interest
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Resolved: Councillors accepted the following invoices for payment:

1. Clerk's salary and expenses	£123.31	
2. Parish Lengthsman wages and expenses	£ 31.97	
3. Prudential AVC Scheme	£100.00	Clerk's pension AVC
4. Catterall Parish Council	£ 18.67	Telephone and internet access
5. Kirkland Parish Council	£ 91.35	SLCC Subscription
6. HMRC	£1,052.91	
7. Royal British Legion Wreath	£ 17.00	
8. Houghton's Filling Station	£257.00	
9. Catterall Parish Council (Stationery)	£125.41	
10. Sue White Secretarial Services	£213.35	

Direct Debits

Staff costs	£1,600.00
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Local Government Pension Scheme	£634.15
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4018. VERBAL REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

Chairman's Report

The Chairman reported on the caravan parks in Pilling and the length of stay of many of the occupiers. It was reported that Caravan Parks are unable to accept forwarded post to those staying on their sites. Also that Wyre Council had been visiting sites to ascertain if the persons living there had a main address and the caravans were being used as holiday homes.

Pilling in Bloom

Wyre has sent the RHS magazine – Grass Roots. Cllr. W. Whiteside and the schools will be attending the presentations in Southport on 24th October.

Pilling Memorial Hall/Pilling 20 20

The committee have resolved not to appoint a permanent licensee after the present one resigned, each event will apply for their own.

There are set backs with the new field for the re-location as neighbours want to purchase a buffer zone and additional access to Taylor Lane. This will reduce the size of the roadside frontage and therefore should reduce the price of the field.

Wyre Area Lancashire Association of Local Councils

BT gave a presentation on SuperfastLancashire bringing fibre broadband to Lancashire with 97% accessible by 2015. Garstang area is already connected and Pilling will be connected by December 2014 allowing for speeds of 30mb.

Lancashire County Council reported that all bar one specialist scheme has been completed. Next year's programme will be recommended from the Three Tier Forum, although there is no budget yet and no decision on schemes. Grass cutting devolved to Parish Council will be cut again next year by 10% to 36pence per metre. There will not be a Winter Maintenance presentation this year.

Wyre Council reported on the ongoing Shaping Your Neighbourhoods, affordable housing extended advertising and volunteering to benefit the community and yourself, in the 'Gimme5' project. The old 'benefits bus' is to be revamped and will visit rural areas with isolated resident. Wyre is looking at the Community Infrastructure Levy to generate and income with public consultation.

Sgt Freaney stated the relocation of another PCSO leaving the Neighbourhood team further depleted. Lancashire Constabulary is to be reorganised and Wyre will be in West Division in April. There has been a loss of 696 officers and 565 staff since 1995 and a further 165 officers and 175 staff are to be cut. £40million in savings has been identified and a further £20million is to be found. Whilst the Immediate Response Team will move to Lancaster the Neighbourhood Policing Teams will remain in Garstang, with no reduction in the number of Community Beat Managers at 4, supported by 2PSCOs. She will send monthly reports to Parish Council clerks in case an officer is unable to attend meetings.

Event Presentation

Cllr. S. Morley and Cllr. J. Edmonson had attended a Wyre event presentation at the Marine Hall on next year's festivals. Chris Wyatt is the events organiser at Wyre and he is looking to help festival committees safely put on their processions. Wyre is collating the resources they can get and will purchase signs and cones for use by festivals. Resources from festival committees are to be pooled, stored at Copse Road and borrowed as necessary. A management programme to cover ALL the festivals may be written by RSS.

Parish Noticeboards

The clerk confirmed the dark colour of the man-made wood to be used for the noticeboards at Eagland Hill and Pilling Reading Room. Mr. Danson is to be informed of the replacement noticeboard.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.30pm.

Chairman

Date