

Forton Parish Council

Minutes of the Forton Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 2 December 2019 at 7.00pm in the Pavilion, School Lane

Present: Cllrs Huddart, Young, Stewart, Taylor and Dodgson
L Hall - Clerk to the Parish Council 4 residents

1136. APOLOGIES

Apologies received and accepted from Cllr McLoughlin and Cllr Leech.

1137. NOTIFICATION OF INTERESTS

Councillors were asked to disclose any pecuniary and non pecuniary interests on matters to be considered at this meeting. None were raised.

1138. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Resolved: The minutes of the Parish Council meeting, held on 4 November 2019, were agreed and signed by the Chair.

1139. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The meeting was adjourned.

A resident raised concerns regarding the Kingswood development on Hollins Lane/A6, Cllr Huddart advised that issues should be raised direct with the Wyre Enforcement Officer/Planning. Cllr Young felt that once the groundwork has been completed then access will be via the A6 rather than Hollins Lane. The PC will monitor the situation and raise concerns with Wyre.

A resident advised that Drop In sessions will be held on 16 December at the Pavilion 2.00-5.00 and 6.00-8.00. The purpose of which is to brief residents on the Masterplan, residents will be able to raise issues using a sealed ballot box. The consultation information will then be on display at the Post Office for 5 weeks. Cllrs Young and Huddart are liaising with Wyre regarding the information that will be available.

The flower group wished to thank Wyre for tidying the memorial area and providing flowers. The Clerk will contact them expressing Forton's gratitude. Cllr Huddart advised that the hedge near the bus stop is to be trimmed/cut back by Wyre.
The meeting was resumed.

1140. MASTERPLAN

Cllr Young provided an update to the meeting.

1141. UPDATE FROM VILLAGE HALL TRUST

No update was received.

1142. PARISH REPORTS/ISSUES FROM COUNCILLORS

To receive reports/issues from Councillors/Village Groups:-

Parish Maintenance – Cllr Huddart advised that 2 new tubs had reappeared by the seat in Ratcliffe Wharf Lane.

The handyman will refurbish the tubs at the War Memorial and will later assemble a frame for the recycling bins which are now to be at the village hall.

LVRHA – South Lakes Housing Association are now the managing agents for Willow Close, on behalf of LVRHA.

LALC – Nothing to report.

Website/GDPR – Residents felt the website was very easy to navigate and information was easy to find.

Village Hall/Recreation Ground – the trees are to be trimmed and crowns removed imminently. It had been decided to put on hold any work to the play area until more information was available regarding the Masterplan.

What3words – it was felt this was an excellent idea and Neil should be asked to add it to the website.

1143. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Application Number: 19/01078/FUL Proposal: Erection of agricultural building for livestock
Location: Centre Farm Cockerham Road

The application was discussed and Cllrs felt that there were a number of inaccuracies/inconsistencies.

Resolved: Clerk to forward concerns to planning.

1144. HANDYMAN

Cllr Huddart is to ask the handyman to erect a storage area for recycling bins and varnish flower tubs.

Resolved: Cllr Huddart to advise the handyman of jobs.

The bench risk assessment document was agreed and accepted by the Parish Council.

Resolved: Risk assessment agreed and accepted by Parish Council.

The possibility of requesting that School Lane become a quiet lane was discussed, it was decided not to pursue this as an option at the current time.

1145. FINANCE

The following payments have been made:

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| 1. Clerk wages – November | £241.60 by Standing Order 1.12.19 |
| 2. Poppy Wreath – Cllr Young | £ 19.50 |
| 3. PRO Business Website | £ 62.15 |

The following invoices require payment:

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| 1. Clerk expenses – November | £ 18.00 |
| 2. Colin Cross – Village Voice Dec/Jan | £341.00 |
| 3. Colin Cross – Envelopes/Flyers Masterplan | £872.40 |

Resolved: All payments were agreed by the Parish Council.

Bank Reconciliation: Current Account - £9,921.75 Business Reserve - £45,347.14.

Cllrs are to consider any future spending for the next financial year as the precept will be agreed at the next meeting. John Wilkinson was agreed as the Internal Auditor for 2019/2020.

Resolved: John Wilkinson agreed as Internal Auditor.

1146. AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING

Any items that will need a resolution will be deferred to the next meeting and placed on the Agenda to allow information on the subject to be gathered. Councillors can report defective street lighting, potholes, blocked drains etc. to the Clerk at any time and these will be taken up with the appropriate authorities.

There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 8.00pm.

Chairman:

Date:

The next meeting will be held on Monday, 6 January 2020 in the Pavilion at 7.00pm.