

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 8th
JULY 2010, in the VILLAGE HALL, GREAT PRESTON, AT 7.30 p.m.

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Members Present:

Cllrs Tetley, Crossley, Hall and Bath.

Also present was parishioner Mr Ian Wallace and Ryan Stephenson Parliamentary Aide to local Conservative MP, Alec Sherlbrooke. Also present was the Clerk.

1. Apologies for Absence:

Apologies were received from Cllr Webster.

2. Open Session:

Mr Wallace was present to discuss recent events re. the planning application for caravan park at Whitehouse Lane.

He stated that he was not happy about the process and is in discussion with LCC, but is not satisfied with the answers given to him regarding the matter.

He had complained on a number of points: one being why planning had stated on the application that they would look on it favourably.

He is still awaiting answers and will keep the Parish Council informed.

Mr Stephenson stated that his MP's Office had objected to this application.

It was suggested that to get rid of the other problem at the picnic area regarding after dark anti-social behaviour, to prevent cars parking in the lay-bye a kerb could be made and the lay-byes removed.

Mr Stephenson suggested boulders may be placed in the lay-byes to block them off as has been done at Rothwell.

He will make enquiries and he added that a letter could be sent to LCC from his office re this matter.

Mr Wallace left the meeting at this point and was thanked for attending.

It was stated that PCSO's had promised to attend the meeting, but had not done so.

Cllr Hall will Email Garforth Police Station to ask why they had not attended.

3. Minutes of the previous Meeting:

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed and were signed by the Chair.

4. Matters arising from the Minutes:

37x4.2 Cricket Ground – Mr Stephenson was informed of the problems re. the purchase of the ground, Cllr Tom Murray was to make enquiries but has not responded to various Emails from Cllr Tetley.

Mr Stephenson will make enquiries re. any funding which may be available.

62x4.14 'The Copse' – off Fleakingley Lane – nothing to report. Cllr Bath has had no notification from the Parish Councils Solicitor re. this matter.

20x4.14 Glencoe Estate – nothing to report.

15x4.2 Mandatory Publication Scheme – nothing to report.

11x4.16 Parking outside the Primary School – the situation is still very bad.

A proposed Traffic order (no. W13) has been received from LCC Legal, Licensing and Registration dept. re. new restrictions:

Under the provision of the Road Traffic Regulations Act, in order to avoid danger to persons and traffic, and to facilitate the passage of vehicles, it is proposed to formalize parking by creating an Order for No Waiting at Any Time at its junction with Brigshaw Lane and in sections along its north-eastern kerbline outside Great and Little Preston Primary School. It is also proposed to create an order of ‘no stopping 8.30-9.30 am and 2.30-3.30pm on the ‘School Keep Clear’ Marking.

After discussion it was agreed to monitor this to see if the measures make any difference.

7x4.15 Bonfires at the Allotments – to be monitored.

5x4.13 Cars at the Picnic Area – this item already discussed during the Open Session.

3x4.14 State of footpath on Fleakingley Lane – it was reported that the path is not too bad at the moment due to the dry weather.

5.Village Hall:

As previously agreed, Cllr Bath arranged for road planings to be delivered and spread out over the pot holes in the car park.

Cllr Bath reported that the existing gates at the car park are not in a good state and after discussion it was agreed that he would measure up and order new gates which he agreed to erect.

It was stated that extra weed killer has been sprayed on the ground surrounding the hall.

Grant has been obtained from Green Leeds for this area, turf, gravel, retaining wall, etc.

Awaiting payment for the grant. There is a shortfall of approximately £700 which the Management Committee have agreed to fund.

Work has commenced by the contractor.

6.Trust Deed/Constitution:

Nothing to report.

7.Environment:

a. Villages in Bloom – Small grant of £210 awarded to the ‘In Bloom’ Group from LCC, which may be used toward creating new shrub area to replace Rose Trees on Berry Lane.

Summer judging is to take place on Monday 26th July (see 21a)

b. Peasecroft Wood – nothing to report.

c. St Aidans Playground – nothing to report.

d. Litter – It was reported that the situation is not too bad at the moment.

e. St Aidans Opencast – nothing to report.

f. Sign for Post Office – after discussion it was agreed to leave this item off the agenda for the time being.

g. Parish field behind the Primary School – Clerk received telephone call from a lady – Alison Midgley, who would like to rent the field for two horses. She stated that she is willing to secure the fences. Her tel. number is 0791 217652.

After discussion it was agreed that Cllr Bath would meet her to discuss the leasing of the field for a short term only (Until October)

8. Traffic:

- a. LCC Legal Licensing and Registration, letter received re. waiting restrictions outside the Primary School, already discussed under Matters arising.
Cllr Tetley is still awaiting reply from Cllr Murray.
PCSO's were to be present to discuss traffic matters.
Cllr Hall is awaiting response re. cars parking on pavements, etc.

9. Planning:

- a. P10/01443/FU S. J. Murray, 2 storey side ext. and dormer to rear of 25 Berry Lane.
Approved 24.5.10 (see 12b)
- b. P10/01350/LA T. Bean, replacement det. Prefab building to school, Preston Lane.
Approved 22.6.10 (see 12c)
- c. P10/02721/FU/HE Mr Louis Wynne, s/s extensions to side and rear of 2 Goody Cross Vale, Little Preston (see 12d)

10. Finance:

- a. Clerks salary for June and expenses from 27th May until 8th July 2010.

Salary	160.00		
Photocopying, stat. etc.	5.10	Vat	0.89
Tel. rental and calls	39.98		6.99
Postage stamps	2.05		
Travel expenses	1.54		
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	208.67		7.88
Plus Vat	7.88		

Total £216.55 Agreed to pay.

- b. G. Haigh, cost of 6 Bird boxes for area near Village Hall car park, £10 agreed to pay.
- c. S. Furness, cost of plants for 'In Bloom' £22.50 Agreed to pay.
- d. LCC Cheque received for £210 from LCC for 'In Bloom'
Cheque received from Mrs Margaret Haigh for £25, to sponsor an 'In Bloom' Tub.

11. Newsletter:

Draft produced by Cllr Tetley from disc obtained from G. Haigh – to be amended and brought up to date, so that printing can take place.

12. Correspondence:

- a. LCC Richard Gill, re. Judging 'In Bloom' (see 7a)
- b. LCC Planning P10/01443/FU (see 9a)
- c. LCC Planning P10/01350/LA (see 9b)
- d. LCC Planning P10/02721/FU/HE (see 9c)
- e. HSBC Community A/C Statement.
- f. HSBC Business Money Manager A/C Statement.
- g. LCC Legal, Licensing and registration, register of electors, notice of alteration.
- h. Clerks and Councils Direct.
- j. YLCA Joint training conference 24/26th September, programme and booking form.

- k.LCC City Development, Leeds Local Dev. Framework Public Consultation Draft SPD for sustainable design and construction, plus response form.
- l. LCC Dem serv. Consideration sub-comm. Meeting 11.6.10, agenda.
- m. LCC Dem. Serv. Sub comm.. meeting 29.6.10, Agenda.
- n. LCC Dem. Serv. Standards committee meeting 13.7.10, Agenda.
- o. BTCV letter re. conservation project.
- p. YLCA Ann. Report and Accounts, joint annual meeting 17.7.10 agenda and amendments, minutes of meeting held 18.7.09
- q. LCC Legal, Licensing and Registration, re. waiting restrictions outised Primary School (see 8a)

13. Reports of Meetings:

There had not been any meetings to report upon.

14. Any other Business:

As there was no further business to discuss, Chair closed the meeting at 8.50 p.m.

Chair.....

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