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2017 PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Draft Minutes of the meeting of Great and Little Preston Parish Council held in THE ELDERS COMMUNITY CENTRE, St Aidans Estate, at 1830hrs on WEDNESDAY 28th JUNE 2017

Members Present: Cllrs Bath {DBA}, Dickinson {AD}, Hanson {GH}, Taylor {JT} Blackburn (DBL) Also present were two members of the In Bloom group and the Clerk.

1. CHAIRMANS WELCOME AND OPEN MEETING.

Chairman welcomed those present and opened the meeting at 18.30hrs.

2. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES.

Apologies were received from Cllr Bentley and Cllr Crossley may be late.

3. LATE ITEMS FOR THE AGENDA - To identify items which have been admitted to the agenda by the Chair for consideration.

16d) War Memorial, cleaning etc.

4. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

5	<p><u>OPEN SESSION</u> –members of the public may raise any matters concerning the parish</p> <p>It was agreed that 'In Bloom' members could bring item 15a forward. Liz Purt and Steven Furness were present to suggest holding an event in the Wildflower Meadow, possibly a family fun day, comprising of community barbeque at a nominal sum per family, which would include games with small prizes.</p> <p>After discussion it was agreed a meeting would be held to discuss date etc.</p> <p>One of the members brought up the matter of speed bumps through the village causing damage to suspension of vehicles.</p>	N/A	N/A
6	<p><u>TO RECEIVE</u> – the minutes of the Parish Council held on 31st May 2017:</p> <p>Minutes of the meeting were accepted as a true record and were</p>		

	signed by the Chair.		
7	<p>MATTERS ARISING from the PCM of 31st May 2017: 5) Trees at junction of Wakefield Road/Whitehouse Lane. Emails sent No response received</p> <p>14a) Parish Council Asset Register. To receive update. Cllr Dickinson and the Clerk to working on this matter. To be completed.</p> <p>14b) Seat on Whitehouse Lane. To receive Update. Cllr Dickinson has had no further response re. the seat or the grass bank on Whitehouse Lane.</p> <p>14b) Register of Interests. Quarterly updates. Cllr Hanson has been in contact with LCC regarding his details.</p> <p>19) Fence at Whitehouse Lane 17/00495UHD3 Email received from LCC, site visit to take place.</p>	DB	
8	<p><u>VILLAGE HALL</u></p> <p>a)To receive report of Village Hall Management Committee (VHMC) meetings.</p> <p>Gable end repairs - Cllr Bath has made enquiries re. possibility of obtaining a comprehensive report of the condition of the whole building and list of work needed. Another quote to be obtained. Ward Councillors to be contacted also</p> <p>Liaison meeting with Management Committee To be arranged.</p>	DB	
9	<p><u>ESTATES AND PLAYGROUNDS</u></p> <p>9.1) Glencoe a) to receive reports Playground well used and kept tidy. It was reported that travellers had been parked on land adjacent to Station Cottages/Lines area, but have now moved. The situation to be monitored (Jason, garage owner to be asked)</p> <p>9.2) St Aidan's a-to receive updates Emails received re. Telephone Box from Community Heartbeat who would have liked to fit a defibrillator there. LCC request comments Resident adjacent to the box stated that it is in an increasingly bad</p>	- -	

	<p>state and is a magnet for anti-social behaviour.</p> <p>b- perimeter fence This matter on hold.</p> <p>9.3) Little Preston a)to receive updates There was nothing to report.</p>		
10	<p><u>COMMUNICATION AND MEDIA</u></p> <p>10.1 Website – to receive updates Cllr Taylor has been in contact with Andrew Coursey, liaison officer for Virgin. Work has commenced on the Whitehouse Estate. Open Reach has not responded to any correspondence.</p> <p>10.2 Social media – to receive updates Facebook page has 83 followers and Twitter account has 73 followers.</p> <p>10.3 Broadband/High speed fibre – to receive updates Already discussed under Website.</p>	<p>AB/JT</p> <p>GH</p>	
11	<p><u>SWILLINGTON EDUCATIONAL CHARITY</u> To receive trustees report. Further to May Meeting, Cllr Blackburn is trustee and Cllr Taylor is a co-opted member. There was nothing further to report.</p>	JT/DBL	
12	<p><u>HIGHWAY MATTERS</u></p> <p>a) To receive reports of continuing efforts to improve safety on Whitehouse Lane and update regarding Traffic speeds through Great Preston. Cllr Bath has had no response to email sent to Cllr Dobson</p> <p>b) Whitehouse Lane Parking issues Letters to be posted.</p> <p>c) Parking outside the primary school Waiting for work to be carried out on new parking restrictions at Preston Lane</p>	DB	

13	<p><u>TO CONSIDER ONGOING PLANNING MATTERS</u></p> <p>a)10/01412 – 14/ 03823RM Biffa Site – to receive update Nothing to report other than work nearly completed.</p> <p>b)2015 Site allocations – to receive update Nothing to report. Awaiting judgment from review panel.</p> <p>c)16/06911 Change of use of land to traveller pitch with detached utility block and associated works, retrospective application for laying out of hard standing, on land Off Hollinhurst, Allerton Bywater, WF10 2HY Enforcement date has now passed, vehicles have moved.</p>		
14	<p><u>NEW AGENDA ITEMS</u></p>	I	
15	<p><u>ENVIRONMENT</u></p> <p>a) In bloom – to receive reports of meetings Cllr Bentley is due to attend judging on 5 July to speak to the judges about work done to the Meadow.</p> <p>b) Peasecroft Wood – to receive report Cllr Bentley received an email from parishioner living on Whitehouse Avenue re 2 ash trees, one of which in his Neighbours garden. Tree surgeon recommended complete removal due to disease/dying off branches and is in process of contacting LCC Planning for permission to remove them. Cllr Bentley informed him this was the correct procedure and will let him know when the Application comes to the PC so that he can attend the Open session to explain his reasons for requesting removal.</p> <p>c) St.Aidan’s Country Park – to receive reports There was nothing to report.</p>		

	<p>d) Wildflower Meadow off Fleakingley Lane and Parish field on Preston Lane – to receive progress reports Final payment of £2500 expected from Tesco, £3000 expected from LCC. Some minor issues still to be resolved. Parish field on Preston Lane has been cut, along with some of the hedges, by Charles Hirst. Wildflower Meadow due to be cut in July. Fleakingley Lane, Cllr Bentley asked Vicky Nunns if she could arrange for vegetation on each side of the Lane, hopefully before the Judging takes place. Ragwort needs to be eradicated (manually) once it becomes prominent, hopefully be volunteers. (AB)</p> <p>e) Public rights of way – to receive report on the conditions of the footpaths. Nothing to report (GH)</p> <p>f) Littering, fly tipping and dog fouling – to receive reports Cllr Bentley reported that someone had been in a vehicle down Fleakingley Lane and tipped tree parts, which he has reported to the Police (PCSO Andrew Hurley). He has also twice requested that a barrier be erected (with signs) at the Astley Lane end of Fleakingley Lane, to prevent vehicles, including motor bikes from gaining access to the Lane from that far end. As he has had no response to date he is referring it up.</p> <p>g) Friends of the Earth, FOE request, contact with oil gas companies. Email received requesting information from the Parish Council re correspondence between the PC and a number of companies since 1 December 2015 relating to the licensing, appraisal (including seismic surveys) exploration and production of onshore oil and gas. Further email received from YLCA stating this appears to be a legitimate request and encloses a template which can be used. Reply to be sent stating no information is held by the PC regarding this matter.</p> <p>15:1 Allotments. To receive reports. There was nothing to report.</p>												
16	<p><u>FINANCE: JUNE 2017</u></p> <p>a) Clerks Salary and expenses</p> <table data-bbox="263 1809 1056 1989"> <tr> <td>Salary June 2017</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£160.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Expenses:</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Stationery Items</td> <td style="text-align: right;">7.64</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Postage stamps</td> <td style="text-align: right;">0.64</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£168.28</td> </tr> </table>	Salary June 2017	£160.00	Expenses:		Stationery Items	7.64	Postage stamps	0.64	Total	£168.28		
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	<p>b) Groundwork Pride Ltd. Interim payment for work done at Wildflower Meadow (Tesco bags for Life) £8,000.00</p> <p>c) Cllr Dickinson, travel expenses to Horsforth and return, for YLCA joint exec. meeting £7.80</p> <p>d) War Memorial remedial work. Clerk to contact Geoff Clarke re. this matter.</p> <p>16:2) To receive record of Credit Card purchases. There were no transactions made on the Card.</p>		
17	<p><u>PUBLICATIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE</u></p> <p>a) YLCA Local Council Admin. publication 10th edition £75.60 each b) LCC Amendments to Electoral Register. c) YLCA Email re. Data protection legislation changes May 2018. Leaflet from NALC giving info. and advice. d) YLCA Plunkett foundation, call for action - Rural co-operatives programme. e) Graham Feest, conference in Hull, early bird discount ends 30 June 2017. f) Leeds Local Plan - Leeds Core strat. selective review.</p>		
18	<p><u>TRAINING COURSES AND MEETINGS</u></p> <p>To receive information for 2017 YLCA training courses. Email received from YLCA - various courses July 2017. Free sessions on Transparency code and available funding. Cllr Dickinson and Clerk attended YLCA joint exec. meeting. One item discussed - new ward boundaries, does not affect our Parish. Cllr Bath attended Outer East Communities meeting at Bowers Row Chapel, chaired by Cllr Mary Harland. Slide show held with various item relating to Neighbourhood Planning in Outer East. To receive report Police Contact point meetings. Crime figures. Nothing to report. It was reported there has been no recent sighting of PCSO's in the Parish.</p>		
19	<p><u>MATTERS TO REPORT</u> (Formerly any other business) Nothing to report.</p>		
20	<p><u>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</u> 26 July 2017</p>		

Meeting closed at 21.00 hrs.

Chair.....

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