

SCARISBRICK PARISH COUNCIL.

**Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held at 7.30pm in the Village Hall on
Monday 3rd April 2017**

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PRESENT.

Councillor Mrs J Marshall (in the Chair)
Councillor J Herbert
Councillor L Green
Mr T.J. Houghton (Clerk – in attendance)

Councillor Mrs G Holcroft
Councillor Mrs M Edwards

No members of the Public were present.

17/60..APOLOGIES.

These were received from Councillors J Hankin, I Tinsley, D Oakes, M Cox and H Ascroft

17/61... DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

There were none

17/62...CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES.

It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on Mon March 6th 2017 were a true record and should be signed by the Chairman.

17/63...ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING.

The meeting was not adjourned as there were no members of the Public present.

17/64.... PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following applications were considered and resolutions were made as follows:

- (1) 2017/0172/FUL: Heywood House, Drummersdale Lane, Scarisbrick: **No Objection**
- (2) 2017/0111/FUL: Scarisbrick Hall School, Southport Rd, Scarisbrick : **No Objection**
- (3) 2017/0214/FUL: Smithy Mushrooms, Smithy Lane, Scarisbrick **No Objection**
- (4) 2017/0223/LDC: Old Vicarage Farm, Southport Rd, Scarisbrick **No comment**
- (5) 2017/0179/LDP: 7 Bescar Brow Lane, Scarisbrick **No comment**
- (6) 2017/0177/LDC: 131 Turning Lane, Scarisbrick **No comment**

17/65....FINANCE

It was resolved that the following accounts be passed for payment:

	DETAILS	AMOUNT	AUTHORITY TO INCUR EXPENDITURE
T Houghton	Salary £433.19 *expenses £23.49	£456.68	LGA 1972, s112 (2)
CPRE	Annual membership	£36.00	LGA 1972, s111

LALC	Annual subscription	£403.13	LGA 1972, s111
HMRC	Quarter 4 , Clerk PAYE	£336.20	LGA 1972 s112 (2)

*includes

Mileage £13.50

Mobile phone £9.99

17/66...GRASS CUTTING TENDERS:

Two sealed tenders were received and opened by the Chairman.

After due consideration it was resolved that the contract be awarded to EA Formby Limited at an annual cost of £2,736 net of VAT.

17/67...ASSET REGISTER

It was resolved that the replacement values of the notice boards and boundary signs be increased. It was further resolved that the grit bins, tapestry, kissing gate, hard disc drive, projector and screen be removed from the register as having minimal residual value and not appropriate for insurance cover.

17/68...LOCAL COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION:

It was resolved that the Council purchase the 10th edition of the Arnold- Baker on Local Council Administration publication

17/69...INTERNAL CONTROL:

It was resolved to approve the risk assessment and the risk management strategy

17/70...APPOINTMENT TO EXTERNAL COMMITTEES:

It was resolved that Councillor J Marshall be put forward for appointment to the Ormskirk Governors Foundation Trust

17/71...WLBC LOCAL PLAN:

It was resolved that the Council would respond and that the Clerk would focus the response on the following areas:

- (1) Lack of affordable housing in the Village*
- (2) Loss of services in the Village, in particular healthcare leaving the elderly vulnerable.*
- (3) Village Road infrastructure is no longer fit for the increasing volumes of traffic and the size and type of modern vehicles using country lanes.*
- (4) Increased Risk of flooding in the Village due to new builds in other parts of the Borough and the resultant additional pressures likely to be seen on drainage in Scarisbrick which is low lying in a pumped catchment area.*

17/72...ANNUAL PARISH MEETING:

It was resolved to hold the Annual Parish Meeting on Monday 8th May. There will be no guest speaker on this occasion.

17/73...MILLENNIUM WOOD PLAQUE:

It was resolved to purchase a plaque at a quoted price of £48 from The Sign Maker

17/74...BUDGET UPDATE:

The Clerk presented a quarter 4 budget which was received by the Council.

17/75...CLERKS REPORT:

An advice was received today from WLBC that the Parish Council will receive £1,453.50 in CIL receipts on April 20th from a development at 1-7 Hillock Close. Monies need to be spent within a 5 year timeframe under CIL Regulation 59c which relates to infrastructure.

Confirmation has been received that the bollards on the cycle path on the corner of Turning Lane will now be installed during April

The blocked gully on Turning Lane has been reported. Highways have inspected and state that all gullies on the Lane are working, albeit slowly, and that the area will remain under monitoring during periods of heavy rain.

Councillor Oakes has asked that the poor state of the footpaths on Jacksmere lane be brought to the Council's attention. Parts of the path are overgrown with vegetation and difficult for pedestrians to use, particularly mothers trying to push prams.

The LALC Spring Conference is being held at the Leyland Hotel on Saturday 13th May. If anyone wishes to attend please advise the Clerk by 26th April to enable a booking form to be submitted.

The new wooden shelter on Narrow Moss has now been completed and is operational.

Crime figures have been submitted by Steph Morley. They account for the last 2 months – Steph was on leave in March and did not provide an update at our last meeting.

Over this period there have been 94 incidents overall with 14 reported crimes and 4 incidents of ASB. Same period last year 72 incidents overall with 13 crimes and 8 incidents of ASB

14 reported crimes

3 X burglary in a dwelling, Snape Green- sneak in burglary insecure door, Hall Rd, and Otterstye View.

1 X Burglary other than a dwelling- St Mark's Church

2 X assault

1 X threats to harm

3 X thefts including Flowers from a private garden and fencing panels from an address overnight

1 X theft of a motor vehicle from an address on Southport Rd

1 X possession of drugs following search of an address.

2 X criminal damage

17/76...COUNCILLORS REPORTS AND ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS:

The Chairman reported that the Clerk's appraisal had been completed and minuted.

The Chairman also reported that the Spring edition of Scarisbrick Village Matters will be distributed before the Easter weekend.

It was noted that several bus shelters are in need of repair with felt missing.

Councillor Herbert advised that the grit bin at Narrow Moss corner will not be replaced by LCC as the road is deemed to be on a prime gritting route.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 21.05.

