

SCARISBRICK PARISH COUNCIL.

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held at 8.00pm in the Village Hall on
Monday 8th May 2017

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PRESENT.

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

Councillor J Herbert
Councillor M Cox
Councillor I Tinsley
Councillor H Ascroft

Two members of the Public were present.

17/77...ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL

Councillor Mrs G Holcroft was elected Chairman for the next 12m.

17/78...ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL

Councillor Mrs J Marshall was elected Vice-Chairman for the next 12m.

17/79..APOLOGIES.

These were received from Councillor Mrs G Holcroft

17/80... DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

There were none

17/81...CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES.

It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on Mon 3rd April 2017 were a true record and should be signed by the Chairman.

17/82...ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING.

The meeting was adjourned at 20.05 to allow members of the Public to address the Council.

Councillor Pope confirmed that the Flood Minister (Therese Coffey) had recently visited the area to review flooding concerns in West Lancashire.

He also advised that following recent County Council elections the new Council were aware from electors of the concerns over highways and flooding in the area and that these matters would be given high priority.

The meeting was reconvened at 20.11

17/83.... PLANNING APPLICATIONS

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

- (1) 2017/0327/FUL: 2a Pool Hey Lane Scarisbrick: **No Objection**
 - (2) 2017/0328/FUL: New Hall, 7 New Hall Drive, Scarisbrick: **No Objection**
 - (3) 2017/0358/FUL: Winrows Farm, Barrison Green, Scarisbrick **Against**
 - (4) 2017/0268/FUL: Scarisbrick Business Park, Smithy Lane, Scarisbrick **No Objection**
 - (5) 2017/0311/FUL: 10 Pool Hey Lane, Scarisbrick **No Objection**
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17/84....FINANCE

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

	DETAILS	AMOUNT	AUTHORITY TO INCUR EXPENDITURE
T Houghton	Salary £433.19 *expenses £108.78	£541.97	LGA 1972, s112 (2)
SLCC Entreprises Ltd	10 th Edition, Local Council Administration (Arnold Baker)	£78.40	LGA 1972 s111 (1)
AKS Joinery	New Bus shelter	£2,250.00	Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1953 s4
The Sign Maker	Millennium Oak plaque	£48.00	Open Spaces Act 1906 s10

*includes

Mileage £4.50

Mobile phone £9.99

Postage £14.52

Ink/Paper £79.77

17/85....INSURANCE ARRANGEMENTS

It was resolved to renew the Insurance with present insurers, Zurich for the next 12m

17/86...ANNUAL ACCOUNTS

It was resolved to approve the Financial Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31/3/17.

17/87...GOVERNANCE DOCUMENTS

It was resolved to approve the circulated Standing Orders and Financial Regulations, following 2 minor adjustments being made to the Standing orders.

17/88...WLBC CONCURRENT GRANT AGREEMENT

It was resolved that the Clerk sign and return the Concurrent Grant Agreement for the year 2017-18

17/89...BUS SHELTERS

It was resolved that the Clerk obtain quotations for the cost of replacing the Bus shelter by the Blue Elephant on Southport Rd. It was further resolved that the Chairman and the Clerk complete a Bus Shelter inspection to be reviewed at the next meeting to consider what repairs may be required to other shelters.



17/90...INTERNAL CONTROL

In the absence of a member being appointed to this role, this item will be deferred to the next Council meeting.

17/91...RURAL MATTERS

Following circulation of a paper received from Rev E Heaney there was no comment recorded from the meeting.

17/92...CLERKS REPORT:

As advised, Councillor Mrs Margaret Edwards has retired from the Parish Council following over 43 years of service. An official Vacancy for a Councillor Notice will be posted on the notice boards in the next 48 hours.

We have received 21 replies relating to the Gym proposal – the present number in favour totals 14 which represents 66% of respondents. The survey remains open until 26th May. To date, there has been no entries to the Garden competition, which has a deadline of June 23rd.

Having chased Highways re the bollard installation work at Turning Lane, we received the following reply

'The original installation was aborted as a result of specific site conditions following previous works undertaken by utilities contractors, which prohibited the installation of traditional bollards. We are currently sourcing a variation type of bollard which will allow installation and it is envisioned that a new order will be issues during April /May to complete the installation.'

The financial information has been submitted to the Internal Auditor, Joan Leitch who has confirmed that the 2016-17 Internal Audit will be completed by May 23rd.

17/93...COUNCILLORS REPORTS AND ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS:

The Chairman reported that there will be road closures on Pinfold lane, Morris Lane and Smithy Lane in July to enable road dressing works to be completed.

Councillor Oakes stated that there are problems on footpaths on Jacksmere Lane and Turning Lane due to overgrown vegetation.

Councillor Green reported that the base of the litter bin at the Carr Cross Bus stop had come apart.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 20.56.
