

SCARISBRICK PARISH COUNCIL.

**Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held at 7.30pm in the
Village Hall, Smithy Lane on Monday 6th January 2020**

PRESENT.

Councillor J. Herbert (in the Chair)	Councillor C. Herbert
Councillor G. Holcroft	Councillor A. Blundell
Councillor Makin	Councillor C. Marshall
Councillor Williams	Councillor M. Andrews
Councillor J. Marshall	

Mr G. Fairbrother (Clerk – in attendance)

Six members of the public and Councillor Pope were present.

19/186...APOLOGIES: to receive apologies and approve reasons for absence

No apologies received.

19/187...DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: (a) to declare any disclosable pecuniary or non pecuniary interest in matters on the agenda; (b) to consider requests for dispensation

No declarations made.

19/188...MINUTES: to approve the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 2nd December 2019.

It was resolved to approve the amended minutes of the meeting held on the 2nd December 2019

19/189...ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING: to allow a period of public discussion.

The meeting was adjourned at 7.32pm

Two members of the public raised concerns about their bins being emptied. The Councillors explained the Borough Council was responsible for the service, but the Parish Council will make representations to ensure that are emptied.

A member of the public raised the issue of parking on Hillock Lane. The resident was concerned that the road was too narrow and parking issues are becoming confrontational. The resident believed the local authority should address the issue, urgently.

The Council explained that this was an issue that was at the forefront of the Council's agenda. A survey had been commissioned and the results are being collated. The item was due to be discussed later in the meeting.

A member of the public raised concerns over the ongoing application to construct a Mushroom Farm. The resident was concerned about the traffic consultation reply given by the Highways Dept. The Council explained that a response from the Council had been



submitted. The Council also explained that further enquires are being made into the location of utilities and service pipelines and the impact upon those.

The meeting resumed at 7.55pm

19/190...PLANNING APPLICATIONS: To consider applications on the attached list.

Application Number: 2019/1054/FUL

Proposal: Erection of a greenhouse.

Location: Hurlston Gate Farm, Southport Road, Scarisbrick, Ormskirk, Lancashire, L40 8HF

It was resolved to make no objection to this application

Application Number: 2019/1137/FUL

Proposal: Erection of horse walker.

Location: Middle Place, Asmall Lane, Scarisbrick, Lancashire, L40 8JL

Application Number: 2019/1203/FUL

Proposal: Erection of agricultural storage building.

Location: Land South-west Of Old Vicarage Farm, Southport Road, Scarisbrick, Lancashire,

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Application Number: 2019/1236/FUL

Proposal: Variation of Condition No.s 2, 4 and 9 of planning permission 2019/0053/FUL to allow demolition on site.

Location: Fleet Street Farm, 518 Southport Road, Scarisbrick, Ormskirk, Lancashire, L40 9RF

It was resolved to make no objection to this application

19/191....FINANCE: To consider accounts for payment on the attached list and receive the bank reconciliation.

It was resolved to pay the following accounts

Payee	Detail	Amount	Authority
G.Fairbrother	Salary	£ 589.69	LGA 1972, s112 (2)
EA Formby	Grass Cutting	£364.80	Open Spaces Act 1906, s10
HMRC	PAYE	£711.19	LGA 1972, s112 (2)

19/192...FINANCE REVIEW: To receive the 9 month finance review

The Clerk presented the budget review upto the end of December 2019.



- 1 Clerk salary and PAYE – £7664.82 compared to a budget of £11,500.
- 2 Clerk’s Expenses- £260.46 compared to a budget of £600.
- 3 General Administration – £2328.29 compared to a budget of £3,000. All the main items of expenditure have been incurred eg insurance, annual payments for software and memberships. However, all training costs will be taken from this budget as there is no separate training budget.
- 4 Grants, Donations, Section 137 – £1080 compared to a budget of £1300. £400 of this was authorised in the 2018-19 budget but appeared in the April schedule.
- 5 Bus Shelters etc – £12,000 has been committed. £15000 has been allocated to replacing bus shelters (£2500 from the bus shelter budget, £4000 from the Project budget, £1000 from Reserves and £7500 match funding) The remaining £3000 is to replace an additional shelter, enclose the two open shelters, add the Parish ownership details and, if possible, add timetable noticeboards.
- 6 Grass cutting – This is a fixed contract price of £2736, six payments, totalling £1824.00, have been made so far.

We have received £27301.07 in income to date which is as follows-

Precept	£21119.00
Concurrent Grant	£3119.29
VAT Refund	£1644.00
CIL	£1408.50
Bank interest	£10.28

19/193...HILLOCK LANE: To receive the results of the recent survey and consider a response

The Clerk reported that 18 replies had been received by the closing date. A further 10 had been received after the closing date. 75 questionnaires had been distributed and 28 replies had been received. Many of the replies are detailed and will take some time to compile into the final report.

As a general overview three issues feature. They are:

- Residents owning multiple vehicles which are parked on the road.
- Increased delivery vans
- Parking within 10m of a junction

The Council discussed the preliminary results. Options considered included converting the verges/spaces owned by the council to parking spaces, widening the road and enforcement of existing regulations.

It was resolved to defer this item to the February meeting.

19/194 ...BUS SHELTERS: To receive an update and consider replacing/upgrading the remaining shelter.

The Clerk reported that, except for the shelter opposite the Morris Dancers, the new bus shelters had been installed prior to Christmas. However, the remaining shelter had been

installed within the last few days. The noticeboard for the shelter at Turning Lane would be installed shortly. £12000 of the £15000 budget had been allocated. The remaining £3000 should be allocated before the end of the financial year to meet the terms of the Capital Funding Grant.

A further £200 was required for signage.

The Clerk informed the Council that a shelter costs about £2000 and to enclose the open shelters would cost £500 each.

It was resolved to replace the shelter opposite St Marks Church on a 'like for like' basis and to enclose the two open shelters at St Marks School and New Hall Lane.

19/195...POLICING: To consider ways to develop better links with local policing.

The Council was concerned that in recent years the Police had withdrawn from the Council meetings and no longer provided information to the Council. Councillors noted that the service provided by Local Policing Units varied by Parish. The Council would prefer more involvement by the local Police. The Council noted that the PCC, Clive Grunshaw, was due to speak at a LALC meeting. It was suggested that the Councillors attend.

It was suggested that the Clerk make further representation to receive local crime figures.

19/196... CLERKS REPORT: (Information only) To note items that will be available at the meeting

The Clerk noted that most of the items he was due to discuss had already been mentioned.

The Clerk reported that the request to purchase the Telephone Box at the Morris Dancers had been submitted. He was awaiting the contract from BT.

The Community Infrastructure Levy report is due and this will be presented to the next meeting.

The confirmation that a Capital Grants programme will be in place for the next year has been received. This should be considered at the Finance meeting.

The Clerk had met a representative from Traffic Technology Limited who produce speed indicator devices that meet Lancashire's current standard. The devices are in the region of £2500 each.

The Council has received notification that the Concurrent Funding and Council Tax support grants will remain at the same level as last year.

19/197...COUNCILLORS REPORTS AND ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS; To receive Councillors reports (for information only) and requests for future agenda items.

The Councillors noted that the speed limit signs on Smithy Lane had not be removed or changed to reflect the recent speed limit change. The Clerk was asked to ask Highways to address this issue.

