

SCARISBRICK PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the extraordinary meeting of the Parish Council held in the Scarisbrick Village Hall at 7.30pm on Monday 12th July 2021.

PRESENT:

Councillor A Blundell (in the Chair)
Councillor J Marshall
Councillor G Holcroft
Councillor N Makin
Councillor A Pickersgill

County Councillor E Pope in attendance

Mrs J Smith (Clerk) in attendance.

One member of the public was present.

21/127 APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE:

Apologies were received from Councillor S Brake, Councillor J Herbert, and Councillor C Marshall.

Councillor J Herbert gave reasons for his absence which were approved.

21/128 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

Councillor N Makin declared a non-pecuniary interest in planning application 2021/0672/FUL.

21/129 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES:

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 7th June 2021.

21/130 ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:42pm

The member of the public spoke to provide further details regarding planning application 2021/0579/FUL which relates to a replacement building and hardstanding for the housing and maintenance of equipment used on agricultural land.

Councillor E Pope spoke about the LCC 2022/23 Capital Programme and advised that requests could be put forward for road maintenance around the Parish through him.

The meeting was reconvened at 7:48pm

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21/131 PLANNING APPLICATIONS: (Councillor Jane Marshall took the Chair)

The following applications were considered, and the decisions taken as shown:

Reference	Details	Applicant	Address	Resolution
2021/0672/FUL Response deadline: Not available NB this was not included on weekly WLBC Planning List but is on Planning website	Extensions to two existing agricultural buildings situated within the farmyard.	Mr C Cowey	Winrows Farm Barrison Green Scarisbrick Ormskirk Lancashire L40 8HX	No comment
2021/0654/FUL Response deadline: 13/07/21	Construction of 4 new affordable dwellings and associated landscaping and hardstanding.	Mr and Mrs Webster	Land Adjacent to Green Acres Black Moss Lane Scarisbrick Lancashire	Objection: Due to the already existing traffic and flooding issues which will be worsened by this development
2021/0731/FUL Response deadline: 16/07/21	Erect a two-storey side extension on the North West side of the property, to provide additional bedroom and living space.	Mr Christopher Berks	30 Heatons Bridge Road, Scarisbrick, Ormskirk, Lancashire, L40 8JG.	No objection
2021/0787/FUL Response Deadline: 23/07/21	Proposed detached house.	Mr David Smith	33 Hall Road Scarisbrick Ormskirk Lancashire L40 9QB	No comment
2021/0579/FUL Response Deadline: 23/07/21	A replacement building and hardstanding for the housing and maintenance of plant, machinery and implements used on agricultural land.	Mr Keith Chapman	Vicarage Barn, Southport Road, Scarisbrick, Ormskirk, Lancashire.	No objection

Councillor Blundell did listen to the planning deliberations but did not vote on any planning application due to his membership of the WLBC Planning Committee.

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21/132 MICROSOFT365 SUBSCRIPTION: (Councillor Blundell resumed the Chair)

It was resolved to approve the continuation of the Microsoft365 Business subscription for 12 months.

21/133 FINANCE:

It was resolved to pay the following accounts:

Payee	Detail	Amount	Authority	Payment Type
J Smith	Salary (June 21)	623.92	LGA 1972, s112 (2)	Electronic
J Smith	Norton Subscription	24.99	LGA 1972, s111 (2)	Electronic
J Smith	Microsoft365 subscription (Jun)	18.12	LGA 1972, s111 (2)	Electronic
HMRC	Q1 PAYE/NI	477.51	LGA 1972, s112 (2)	Electronic
J Smith	Salary (July 21)	623.92	LGA 1972, s112 (2)	Electronic
J Smith	PAYG Top up	10.00	LGA 1972, s111 (2)	Electronic
Communicorp (Clerks & Councils Direct)	Local Councils Update with web library service	100.00	LGA 1972, s111 (2)	Electronic

It was also resolved to approve the July salary payment, payable in August, due to there not being a Parish Council meeting in August.

21/134 SPEEDING IN SCARISBRICK:

Councillor Pope advised that speeding is an issue throughout the whole of Lancashire and that speed enforcement by the Police is the best way to deal with it. He will provide further information to the Clerk regarding contact details so that a letter can be written to the Police and the Police Commissioner about this.

It was resolved that:

- 1) the Lancashire County Council Road Safety be contacted to arrange a visit to the Parish to establish the best sites for SPIDs and advise on the type of SPID to purchase. Clerk will make contact and Councillor Makin will be present at the visit. There is also the issue of training people to move the SPIDs, charge batteries etc.
- 2) Councillors Marshall and Makin will establish the location of the SPID points previously installed around the Parish and take images of them.

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- 3) Further discussion will be held at the September meeting and the issue of speed enforcement will also be discussed with the Police who will be in attendance.

21/135 CO-OPTION OF NEW COUNCILLORS:

It was resolved that the co-option process should commence as soon as possible. The Councillor vacancy should be advertised on website, noticeboards, and social media. Clerk will provide anonymised list of applications received to Councillors prior to September meeting so that the new Councillor can be co-opted at that meeting.

21/136 UNITY BANK ACCOUNTS:

It was resolved that:

- a) Councillor Makin and Councillor Pickersgill be added to the bank mandate as signatories/approvers
- b) A standing order for the payment of the Clerks monthly salary be approved.

Clerk was requested to complete necessary forms and obtain Councillor signatures as needed.

21/137 ST MARY'S SCHOOL GRANT REQUEST:

It was resolved to request that the applicant complete the required Grant Request form and that this should be included on the agenda for the September meeting. Clerk will advise on the funds available in the budget for this before a decision is made.

21/138 GRASSCUTTING CONTRACT ADDITIONAL COST:

It was resolved to approve the initial and on-going costs to include the grass verge between Gorsuch Lane and Blackmoss Lane in the Grasscutting Contract. Clerk to advise the contractor to include with effect from the next cutting round.

21/139 POLICE ATTENDANCE AT SEPTEMBER SPC MEETING:

It was resolved that the following areas should be included in the discussions:

- a) Overall policing arrangements in Scarisbrick
- b) Enforcement of speed limits
- c) Rural crime – including general theft and dog theft
- d) Drug use
- e) Formation of a Scarisbrick PACT Group

Clerk will provide list to all Councillors so that any other topics can be added before the Police are provided with it.

It was noted that, in the past, a monthly report was received from the Police for the Parish but that this appears to have been discontinued. Clerk was requested to contact the Police regarding this.

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21/ 140 CLERKS REPORT: FOR INFORMATION

The contents of the Clerks Report were noted.

21/141 COUNCILLORS REPORTS AND ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS:

Councillor Holcroft reported that it had been established that there is a possibility that a storage area could be made available for the storage of Parish archive files etc at the Village Hall. This is likely to be at minimal cost and she will provide further information at the September meeting.

Councillor Holcroft requested that the children's playground at the Village Hall be included on September agenda. The equipment is inspected for safety twice per year and is becoming less viable to repair. The replacement cost is in the region of £20k. Councillor Pope advise that Community Chest funding may be available from WLBC for this, possible through a combined bid by the Parish Council and the Village Hall. He suggested that the Clerk should contact WLBC for more information on this source of potential funding.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8:30pm