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# Ellel Parish Council

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## **Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held at the Recreation Rooms, Galgate on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2016 at 7.15pm.**

### **Present:**

Cllr S Booth (chairman), Cllr I Collinson (vice chairman), Cllr M O' Riordan, Cllr H Helme, Cllr P Mather, Cllr J Greenwood, Cllr M Helm & Cllr D Whitaker.  
Gill Mason (clerk to the council)  
Members of the public.

### **25/16 Apologies.**

Cllr Blundell.

### **26/16 Declarations of interest.**

Cllrs Booth, Helme & Helm declared an interest in any item regarding the village hall.  
Cllr Helme declared an interest in agenda item – planning.

### **27/16 Minutes of the previous meeting.**

It was resolved that the minutes be signed and approved as a true record of the meeting held

on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2016.

Proposed by Cllr Booth

Seconded by Cllr O'Riordan. All in favour.

### **28/16 Open forum.**

Mr John Entwistle from Dolphinholme informed the council that a Neighbourhood Plan for Dolphinholme was needed. It would take 12-18 months to complete and the plan can

cover two districts which would be Ellel and Nether Wyresdale. Mr Entwistle asked for the support of the parish council for the following:

- To authorise a sub – committee to produce the plan.
- To accept the boundary of the plan.
- To submit a formal application to Lancaster City Council.

The parish council requested that this be discussed at the next meeting as an agenda item and that Mr Entwistle plot the boundary on the LCC Mario interactive mapping website and attend the next meeting.

A member of the public asked if there could a welcome sign on the entrance to Dolphinholme

which could be raised above the dyke. The parish council requested that this be discussed at

the next meeting as an agenda item.

There has been a report of rubbish under the viaduct and flooding of the subway at Bayhorse.

The clerk will report these issues to Lancaster City Council.

### **29/16 Police report.**

#### **October**

(Galgate) 2 bikes stolen from a garden and damage to a parked vehicle.

#### **November**

(Ellel) Number plate stolen from vehicle.  
(Galgate) Billboard stolen from business premises.

### **December**

(Conder Green) Motorcycle stolen on roadside.  
(Ellel) Bitch and puppy stolen from a farm.  
(Galgate) Damage caused to pub window, offender detained and received community resolution. Theft of a wheel and tyre on a parked van. Burglary to residential property - jewellery stolen. Burglary to a workshop - £4000 worth of tools taken.  
The clerk will report the speeding on Chapel Lane to PC Massingham

### **30/16 Planning.**

#### **1.Applications.**

15/01569/FUL, Chapel House, Chapel Lane – Erection of side storey and rear extension and garage – **No objections.**

16/00182/FUL, 9 Pennine View, Dolphinholme – Replacement rear extension and canopy and steps to front door – **No objections.**

16/00186/FUL, Land near 9 Leach House Lane, Galgate – Erection of 2 storey dwelling – **No objections.**

16/00188/VCN, Wyreside Lakes Fishery, Gleaves Hill Lane, Ellel – Change of use of land to provide 16 additional caravan pitches with new access road and associated Landscaping – **The Parish Council support this application.**

16/00284/CU, Change of use of 2 apartments to 7 residential rooms – Hillcroft nursing home, Galgate – **No objections.**

16/00255/VCN, Land north of 1 to 23 Stoney Lane, Galgate – Erection of 71 dwellings, with associated access ( variations of conditions on 2,15,16,18,19,20 on planning permission 15/00080/FUL) – **No objections.**

Proposed by Cllr Helm.

Seconded by Cllr O’Riordan, All in favour.

### **Dolphinholme Development.**

The planning application has been published on the Lancaster City Councils planning webpage, but the parish council have not had any notification of the plans.

The clerk will respond to the application on behalf of the parish council by Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March and inform LCC that we have not received notification of the application.

### **31/16 Finance**

#### **1.Payments.**

Gill Mason-clerk’s wages £540.37, expenses £37.73

Eon electric bills £203.65/£78.09 (Direct Debit)

CPRE Subscription £36.00

It was resolved that the above payments be paid.

Proposed by Cllr O’Riordan

Seconded by Cllr Mather. All in favour.

#### **2.Receipts.**

Village Hall electricity payments £451.63

### **32/16 Recreational area fencing.**

The parish council have received quotes for steel and wood fencing. Cllr Collinson would like to acquire more quotes. This item will be carried over onto the next meeting’s agenda.

### **33/16 Dolphinholme Village Hall Committee request for financial assistance.**

The Dolphinholme Village Hall Committee have written a letter to the parish council asking for financial assistance of £5000 to help with the reroofing of the hall.

The parish council have already set the budget and precept for the financial year 2016/2017 in January, which means all the money has been allocated.

Cllr Mather proposed that the committee reapply to the Wind Turbine Fund with a detailed application and write to the parish council again in December before the next budget, so the request can be considered.

It was resolved that the clerk write to the Village Hall Committee with the above proposal.

Proposed by Cllr Mather

Seconded by Cllr O'Riordan. All in favour.

#### **34/16 PWLB Loan repayment review.**

The loan has £21,000 left until 2022. The interest saved would be approximately £2500 minus the early repayment charge of £998.

There was a 7:1 majority to not pay the loan off early and it was resolved to maintain the monthly repayments.

Proposed by Cllr Mather

Seconded by Cllr Collinson.

#### **35/16 Repair of the recreational rooms for insurance purposes.**

The recreational rooms roof needs 15 bolts and debris cleaning away, the perimeter fence needs a top rail adding at the play area. The cost for these repairs are labour £75, materials £70 and replacement bolts £66.

The parish council resolve to go ahead with the repair and maintenance.

Proposed by Cllr O'Riordan.

Seconded by Cllr Helm. All in favour.

#### **36/16 Village Hall solar panels income update.**

There is no update on the reclaim of the Eon feed in tariff. Cllr Booth will forward all the information regarding the application to the clerk to follow up.

#### **37/16 Lancaster University wind turbine fund and Tesco grant update.**

There were 17 applications to the fund, the parish council have been awarded £2,200 which is the full grant for the ramp/gate safety access.

The parish council have not yet been notified regarding the Tesco Grant. There is a potential £8000 for the youth recreational area. This item will be forwarded to the next meeting's agenda.

Cllr Booth would like to thank Cllr Mather and Cllr Helme for the grant monies they have brought in for facilities for children.

#### **38/16 Subscriptions fees from recreational areas.**

The following members will create a sub – committee to work with the recreational area clubs and teams - Cllr Collinson, Cllr Mather and Cllr Whitaker. The recreational area sub – committee will attempt to meet before the April meeting and report any development on the collection of subscription fees.

#### **39/16 LED street lighting.**

Cllr Mather informed the parish council that in 2008/2009, Lower Dolphinholme had their light posts upgraded to LED black conservational lanterns. There are still posts that need upgrading at a cost of £7,000. Lancaster City Council would upgrade to an LED standard lamp but to upgrade to the conservational lantern there would be a shortfall of £5,000. Cllr Mather proposes that the parish council contribute £3,400 to the lanterns out of the capital gains category of the budget .

The parish council members voted 5 in favour of contributing to the street lanterns and 4 abstained from voting.

It was resolved that the parish council contribute to the street lantern purchase.

Proposed by Cllr Mather.

Seconded by Cllr Helm.

Amendment to minutes :Lancaster City Council had not replaced the street lighting with LED or heritage lamps in 2008/2009. They had only replaced the lights with a standard black column and standard lamp for possible future conversion. LCC are now scheduling to install the LED lights and to upgrade them to a heritage style lamp would cost £6905. £5105 more than the scheduled budget.

**40/16 Parish lengthsman.**

This item will be carried forward on to the next meeting' s agenda.

**41/16 Galgate childrens treat – funding and support request.**

Steph Hogarth and Sam Wood from the Galgate Treat Committee attended the meeting to request financial support for the upcoming event. The donation would go towards advertising, the purchase of donation boxes for the village, high quality banners, safety signs and insurance & public liability coverage,

It was resolved that the parish council donate £400 towards the Galgate Treat in June 2016.

Proposed by Cllr Collinson

Seconded by Cllr Helm. All in favour.

**42/16 LALC subscription renewal.**

The renewal cost for the LALC membership is £439.20.

It was resolved that the parish council renew their LALC membership.

Proposed by Cllr O'Riordan

Seconded by Cllr Greenwood

**43/16 Correspondence.**

Zurich insurance renewal – noted.

Mission pastoral scheme – noted.

LCC – free playground inspections – noted.

***The meeting closed at 21.40***

**Date and time of next ordinary meeting**

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2016 at 7.15 pm at the Galgate Recreation Rooms.

Signed ..... (Chairman) Date .....

