
Ellel Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Dolphinholme Village Hall on Monday 8th February 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 M Blundell & Cllr D Whitaker.
Gill Mason (clerk to the council).
Members of the public.
Mr Graham Salisbury (Graham Anthony Associates)

15/16 Apologies.

None

16/16 Declarations of interest.

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

17/16 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 4th January 2016.

Proposed by Cllr Booth

Seconded by Cllr O'Riordan. All in favour.

18/16 Graham Anthony Associates – Higher Bond Gate planning application.

Mr Graham Salisbury from Graham Anthony Associates attended the meeting to present the pre-application for the potential development at Higher Bond Gate.

The application will be 11% of Lancaster City Council's total proposal for the Dolphinholme development.

Mr Salisbury explained that the sewerage system has been looked at by a drainage solutions

company for the new development and it should take the new building's sewage easily. The residents expressed their concern that currently it is a septic tank system, which won't cope with the developments extra sewage.

Mr Salisbury informed the council and residents that there are no current plans at this stage for the owner's home to be knocked down for access to the development.

The surface water drainage attenuation scheme will see the implementation of underground oversized pipes which will hold water for 2 days and then release the water slowly to the River

Wyre. The residents explained that the area already has bad drainage and the systems run into each other not directly to the river. Mr Salisbury said that the Environment Agency would

be looking into this.

19/16 Police report.

No report had been received. The clerk had contacted PC Massingham requesting a monthly

report, he explained the monthly reports will be subject to him having time, due to the fact he covers 230 square miles and 13 parishes.

20/16 Planning.

1.Applications.

16/00017/CCC Ellel Quarry, Main Road, Galgate – no objections.

16/00053/CU Green Dragon Hotel – no objections, one observation. The parish council would like to know where the potential residents will park their cars, as there are no allocated parking spaces.

16/00046/CU Guys Farm outdoor centre, Gleaves Hill Lane, Ellel – no objections.

16/00117/VCN Land for proposed Bailrigg Business Park, Bailrigg Lane, Lancaster – no objections, one observation. The parish council would like to know how much impact the potential increase in traffic will have on the local area.

It was agreed that the planning application observations be submitted to Lancaster City Council.

Proposed by Cllr Helm

Seconded by Cllr Helme, All in favour.

21/16 Finance

1.Payments.

Gill Mason-clerk's wages £564.21, expenses £138.12 (£85 employer's contribution HMRC reimbursement plus mileage, stamps, office use) Total £702.33.

Rhubarb News / Print room £309.00

Eon electric bills £140.26 & £247.98 (Direct Debit)

It was resolved that the above payments be paid.

Proposed by Cllr Collinson.

Seconded by Cllr Blundell. All in favour.

2.Receipts.

Village Hall £2244.24

Punch Taverns £880.00

3.PWLB Loan repayment review.

The loan has £21,000 left until 2022. An early redemption charge would be approximately £980 (if repaid in February 2016)

It was resolved that the clerk will work out how much diminishing interest would be paid until 2022 and present the figures at the next meeting.

Proposed by Cllr Mather

Seconded by Cllr Collinson. All in favour.

22/16 New audit arrangements update.

The clerk received new information regarding the new audit arrangements, including audit fees. This information had been distributed to the councillors prior to the meeting.

It was resolved that the parish council maintain the decision to opt – out of the arrangements, as previously agreed at the budget & precept meeting in January 2016.

23/16 Insurance review – Came and Co.

Cllr O'Riordan met with the Came and Co insurance company representative and completed a full and comprehensive review of the recreation area and buildings.

They have made recommendations for the parish council insurance to be changed to ensure full insurance coverage.

It was resolved to receive a quote based on the recommendations.

Proposed by Cllr Helme

Seconded by Cllr O'Riordan. All in favour.

24/16 Correspondence.

Tree preservation order for Abbeystead Road – noted.

Mr & Mrs Rand proposal for a prohibition sign to deter long vehicles on Chapel/Hazelrigg – the clerk will request a new sign from Lancaster City Highways.

Dolphinholme Village Hall Committee’s letter requesting a donation for the village roof – noted and forwarded to the March meeting’s agenda.

LALC annual report – noted.

CPRE membership – noted

The Plough at Galgate request to hold a skating rink on the recreational area – the clerk will write in support of the event.

The meeting closed at 21.10

Date and time of next ordinary meeting

14th March 2016 at 7.15 pm at the Galgate recreation rooms.

Signed (Chairman) Date