Ellel Parish Council

Minutes of the parish council meeting held on Monday 9th March 2020 at 7.15pm at Dolphinholme Village Hall.

Present: Cllr Booth, Cllr Collinson, Cllr Corkerry, Cllr Greenwood, Cllr Walsh, Cllr Whitaker (chairman) Cllr N Wilson.

Gill Mason - clerk.

Two members of the public.

29/20 Apologies for absence.

Cllr Helme and Cllr Mather.

30/20 Declaration of interests.

Cllr Booth declared an interest in any item relating to Ellel Village Hall as a trustee.

Cllr Corkerry declared an interest in any item relating to the flood forum.

31/20 Approve and sign the minutes of the parish council meeting held on Monday 10th February 2020.

It was resolved that the minutes be approved and signed as an accurate record by the chairman. Proposed by Cllr Booth.

Seconded by Cllr Greenwood.

32/20 Open forum.

No issues raised.

33/30 Planning.

20/00166/FUL - Barrow Greaves Farm, Ellel – erection of an agricultural building. The parish council has no observations.

34/20 Finance

Payments

Gill Mason- Clerk's wages and expenses	£916.98
Insurance – NFU Mutual (D/D)	£153.85
Eon electric bills (D/D)	£81.99 /£629.40
S Walsh signage reimburse	£57.95
D Whitaker payment for Christmas tree electric	£20.00
Dolphinholme plants contribution	£60.00
Acorus rural property services	£504.00

It was resolved that the above payments be made.

Proposed by Cllr Corkerry. Seconded by Cllr Whitaker.

Receipts

Village Hall	£706.34
Village hall	£70.00
Bowling Club subs	£75.00
Football Subs	£75.00
Football electric reimbursement	£57.75

Invoices received

To consider the invoice from the village contractor. No update.

35/20 Recreational field area and recreation rooms.

The CCTV footage is now accessible remotely. The camera on the village hall has been repositioned so it now records the car park / all weather pitch. The dog warden and the RSPCA are dealing with the issues regarding the resident exercising multiple dogs off the lead.

36/20 Graveyard purchase update.

The Environment Agency has objected to the application. The planning application has been withdrawn as the potential graveyard is within 30m of a watercourse. In summer the parish council may want to consider further investigations.

37/20 Punch Taverns lease review.

Punch Taverns have verbally agreed to the lease. The solicitor is waiting for the paperwork to be signed.

38/20 Village contractor and works list update.

No update on the works list.

The parish council has three tenders waiting to quote when they receive the information.

39/20 Siting of the benches update.

No update.

40/20 To consider the damage to Bay Horse Lane by quarry wagons.

The clerk was asked to contact the quarry manager to ask that the road is frequently cleaned as the roads are slippery with mud from the wagons coming from the quarry.

41/20 To consider the maintenance of the Dolphinholme play park drains.

A French drain needs to be installed with a stone fill. Cllr Whitaker will ask a contractor to provide a quote on the works.

42/20 To consider the purchase of a stone at Livestock.

It was resolved that the parish council will not contribute to a stone post at Livestock but will look into the costs of replacing the finger post.

Proposed by Cllr Greenwood.

Seconded by Cllr Collinson.

43/20 To consider the request to trim the trees on the plot on Chapel Lane.

The resident who rents the plot would like the trees trimming by a tree surgeon. Cllr Whitaker will speak to the resident and enquire how much of the trees branches she would like trimming. The parish council do not want the tree cutting back to its roots or felling.

44/20 To consider renewing the trade waste collection.

The clerk will ask other waste collection providers to quote on the collection of the waste from the two 360 litre waste bins.

45/20 To consider the request for sand to be purchased for sandbags.

The chairman adjourned the meeting so Mr S Corkerry could address the parish council.

There has been three and a half times the average rainfall. Sandbags are not provided to residents whose houses are prone to flooding and if sandbags are purchased they do not last a year.

Two tonnes of sand could be placed under the viaduct for residents to fill up their own bags in the event of a flood.

The parish council feel that the sand would be taken by other residents for domestic purposes and in the event of a flood the residents would not have time to fill the bags and get them home for them to prevent the incoming water.

The parish council would like to support the residents and asked if the Flood Group representatives could ask the group what they require to help them in the event of a flood.

46/20 Date and time of next meeting.

Monday 13th April 2020 at Dolphinholme Village Hall.

Monday 11th May 2020 the Galgate Recreation Rooms.

Monday 8th June 2020 Dolphinholme Village Hall.

Monday 13th July 2020 the Galgate Recreation Rooms.

Monday 14th September Galgate Recreation Rooms.

Monday 12th October at Dolphinholme Village Hall.

Monday 9th November at the Galgate Recreation Rooms.

Monday 14th December at the Galgate Recreation Rooms.

The meeting closed at 8.38pm.	
Signed	Date