
Ellel Parish Council

Minutes of the parish council meeting held on Monday 8th November 2021 at 7pm at Galgate Recreation Rooms.

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

Gill Mason - clerk.

Three members of the public.

Open forum

A resident that attended the meeting has spoken to the case officer regarding his concerns over the sewage system and flooding in relation to the planning application for Higher Bond Gate.

116/21 Apologies for absence.

Cllr Helme.

117/21 Declaration of interests.

Cllr Whitaker and Cllr Booth declared an interest in any item regarding the village hall as VH trustees.

118/21 To consider and approve the minutes of the parish council meeting held on Monday 13th September 2021.

It was resolved that the minutes be approved and signed by the chairman

Proposed by Cllr Wilson.

Seconded by Cllr Greenwood.

119/21 Planning.

Higher Bond Gate response.

The parish council objects to the application with the following observations;

The whole scheme of 27 houses is too large for the area and the mix of style and presentation of the housing is not in keeping with the rural area.

The land already floods into surrounding residential properties and such a development will be detrimental to further flooding in the future.

The sewage treatment plant is already over capacity and will not be able to sustain further residential properties.

The rural roads will not be able to accommodate the increase of vehicles and traffic that the development will create. There is a lack of infrastructure for this size of development, not only with schools and NHS services but also public transport. In line with climate change emergency advice, the parish council does not support the fact that with the lack of bus service in Dolphinhole and surrounding areas, this development will force the inhabitants of the new builds to have to use their own vehicles.

21/00772/FUL Proposal : Demolition of existing outbuilding, change of use of paddock to residential land in association with High Abbey and erection of a two storey outbuilding Site Address : High Abbey, Bay Horse Lane, Bay Horse, Lancaster, Lancashire.

The parish council has no observations.

21/01247/FUL Proposal : Construction of a solar farm with associated access and infrastructure to include substation, inverter stations, cabling, landscaping, CCTV and boundary treatments Site Address : Land East Of Hazelrigg Lane, Hazelrigg Lane, Scotforth, Lancashire.

The parish council support the application.

21/01217/FUL Proposal : Demolition of existing garages, erection of a part two storey and part single storey side and rear extension. Site Address : 4 Lime Avenue, Galgate, Lancaster, Lancashire, LA2 0NL.

The parish council has no observations.

Proposed by Cllr Collinson.

Seconded by Cllr Greenwood.

120/21 To consider and agree to the amended cost of a new football net.

It was resolved that the parish council purchase the football net at the new price of £547 plus vat.

Proposed by Cllr Greenwood.

Seconded by Cllr Walsh.

121/21 Finance

Payments

Gill Mason- clerk's wages and expenses (including website and 2 wreaths)	£1088.40
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Insurance – NFU Mutual (D/D)	£153.85
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Tattersall's – Village contractor	£315.00
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It was resolved that the payments be made.

Proposed by Cllr Collinson.

Seconded by Cllr Booth.

122/21 To consider the Punch Taverns lease update.

Punch Taverns have decided against signing the lease. The solicitor has sent all the documentation to the Punch Tavern's solicitor which explains that the parish council do not want any amendments to the lease.

123/21 To consider the update from the Dolphinholme Speed Limit Reduction Campaign Group.

No update.

124/21 To consider the update on the long-term plan for the repairs and maintenance of Dolphinholme Playpark.

No update.

125/21 To consider the updates on the following projects:

Installation of a gate on the triangle on Salford Road

Cllr Wilson has informed the parish council that the bridge is listed and so no alterations can be made to access the triangle or to install a gate.

Tree planting and pollinator patch

The parish council will look at areas of the parish which could be potential areas for tree planting and bee corridors. Parishioners will also be asked if they have any land which could be used for planting.

Galgate all-weather pitch refurbishment

The fencing and boards have been removed and the area has been left clean and tidy.

126/21 To consider the draft budget and precept for the financial year 2022/2023.

It was resolved that the budget be adopted for the financial year.

Proposed by Cllr Walsh.
Seconded by Cllr Wilson.

127/21 To consider the review of the potential graveyard.

The land is not appropriate for a graveyard due to the flooding issues. The parish council will look at other potential churchyard land.

128/21 To consider what action is needed regarding the condition of the cricket club changing room.

The manager will be invited to the next meeting to discuss the changing rooms.

129/21 Reports and correspondence (information only).

None.

130/21 Date and time of the next meeting.

Monday 13th December 2021.

The meeting closed at 8.55pm.

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