
Ellel Parish Council

Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council meeting held on Monday 13th January 2025 Galgate Recreation Rooms.

Present: Cllr L Corkerry (In the Chair) Cllr S Corkerry, Cllr Booth, Cllr Charlesworth, Cllr Collinson, Cllr Hoggarth, Cllr Mather and Cllr Pollitt.

Steve Caswell - clerk.

1 member of the public.

Open forum

Issues raised during the open forum:

The fence at Dolphinholme Playground had been repaired and a new beech hedge planted alongside.

The damaged bus stop at Dolphinholme is due to be repaired.

128/25 Apologies for absence.

Apologies were received from Cllr Jarnell

129/25 Declaration of interests.

Cllr Booth declared an interest in any item regarding the village hall as a VH trustee.

Cllr S Corkerry and Cllr L Corkerry declared an interest in any item regarding the Galgate Action Flood Group as members.

Cllr L Corkerry declared an interest in any item concerning the Warm Spaces Group.

Cllr Pollitt declared an interest in one of the planning applications as the applicant was a neighbour. Cllr Pollitt under the members code of conduct, was allowed to stay in the meeting and discuss the item, but took no part in the voting thereon.

130/25 To consider and approve the minutes of the parish council meeting held on 9th December 2024

It was resolved that the minutes be approved and signed by the chair.

Proposed by Cllr Charlesworth

Seconded by Cllr Hoggarth

131/25 Members Reports

Cllr L Corkerry reported that the Warm Spaces group wish to improve the facilities at the Galgate Recreation Rooms including new blinds, decorating and possibly a new free-standing cooker. The new cooker would require a new dedicated electric socket. The Parish

Council agreed that the improvements to the rooms would be an asset and as such agreed that the cost of the new cooker socket would be met by the council.

Cllr S Corkerry reported that the River Conder went to Flood Alert over the New Years Eve period but luckily, did not actually overflow.

Cllr L Corkerry reported that the one-way system around the Galgate Recreation Fields is being abused and as such, needs addressing.

132/25 To consider matters of planning and development control.

The Parish Council considered the planning applications before them and made no comment.

133/25 To consider payments for authorisation.

Payments for authorisation:

November

Electricity Invoice	£ 249.15
Three WiFi	£ 22.00
M6 Media Ltd - monthly hosting fee	£ 46.80
NFU Mutual - Insurance	£ 101.26
Clerk's Salary	£ 1279.90
Lengthsman Costs	£ 678.92
Dolphinholme Playground Fencing	£ 360.00

Authority to make the payments was granted.

Proposed by Cllr Mather

Seconded by Cllr Collinson

134/25 Galgate Recreation Fields Exit Barrier

The height of the exit barrier to the recreation fields is shorter than the height of the barrier at the entrance. A quote had been requested but as yet, had not been forthcoming.

A quote would be presented at the next meeting of the council.

Cllr Pollitt reported that the entrance gate locking mechanism has now been extended to allow for easier use from a lower level.

135/25 Reports, Correspondence and Crime Statistics

The Clerk reported that a complaint had been received regarding damage to the footway/verge on Highland Brow Verge. This would be reported to Lancashire County Council through the "Love Clean Streets" site.

The Clerk reported the Police Crime Statistics for November 2024

Anti-social behaviour - 3 incidents

Burglary – 1 Incident

Criminal Damage and Arson – 1 incident

Violence and Sexual Offences - 5 incidents

Other Crime – 2 incidents

136/25 Date and time of the next meeting.

The next meeting will be held at Galgate Recreation Rooms at 7pm on Monday 10th February 2025

The meeting closed at 7.31pm

Signed..... Date.....