
Ellel Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Galgate recreational rooms on Monday 11th January 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 Blundell & Cllr D Whitaker.
Gill Mason (clerk to the council), 3 members of the public.

1/16 Apologies.

Cllr M Helm.

2/16 Declarations of interest.

Cllrs Booth and Helme declared an interest in any item regarding the Village Hall. Cllr Blundell declared an interest in item 11/16 as a member of the cricket team.

3/16 Minutes of the previous meeting it was resolved that the minutes be signed and approved as a true record of the meeting with the following correction: the reference to Highways submitting a report for the Dark Sky Village proposal, should have actually said a response from Highways.

Proposed by Cllr Mather

Seconded by Cllr Whitaker. All in favour.

4/16 Open forum.

None.

5/16 Police report.

No report had been received.

6/16 Planning.

6.1. Applications

15/01442/FUL Hare Hill, Smiths Barn and Corner House, Bay Horse Road – Retrospective application for the retention of 3 dwelling houses.

It was resolved that the Parish Council respond and support the planning officer's judgement and decision regarding the retrospective planning application.

Proposed by Cllr Whitaker

Seconded by Cllr Helme. All in favour.

6.2. Dolphinholme Development.

Cllr Helme informed the Parish Council that the Local Plan will be delayed due to staff sickness at Lancaster City Council. The consultation period has passed and the information is being collated.

7/16 Finance

7.1 Payments.

Gill Mason-clerk's wages £516.53, expenses £97.77 - £614.30

PWLB loan £1986.60 (Direct Debit)

Frances Forestry, mowing and strimming - £138.00

It was resolved that the above payments be paid.

Proposed by Cllr Blundell.

Seconded by Cllr O'Riordan. All in favour.

7.2 Receipts.

Craft Centre £300

8/16 Precept and budget 2016/2017.

This item will be deferred to the precept and budget meeting on Monday 18th January 2016

9/16 Parish flooding and storm damage.

The subway at Bay Horse was flooded, the Conder sandbank and the Whitley Beck needs clearing and the woodchip needs replacing on the play areas.

10/16 Grant information and applications.

Cllr Helm has applied for the Tesco grant and has asked the clerk for documentation to support the application.

11/16 Audit Commission.

This item will be deferred to the precept and budget meeting on Monday 18th January 2016.

12/16 Rhubarb News.

The Rhubarb news team have opened a bank account and have added signatories. They are happy with the agreement to collect the advertising revenue and reimburse the Parish Council the paid print costs.

13/16 Recreational area booking system.

The clerk had looked into an online booking system for the recreational areas. The cost would be approximately £26 per month. Currently the Parish Council isn't collecting enough booking revenue or group subscriptions to cover this monthly cost. A review of the subscriptions and booking methods will be required.

14/16 Correspondence.

Eon renewal notice – noted.

The meeting closed at 21.40

Date and time of next ordinary meeting

8th February 2016 at 7.15 pm in the Dolphinholme Village Hall

Signed (Chairman) Date