
Ellel Parish Council

Minutes of the parish council meeting held at the Dolphinholme Village Hall on Monday 8th January 2018 at 7.15pm.

Present:

Cllr S Booth, Cllr I Collinson (chairman), Cllr J Greenwood, Cllr M Helm, Cllr P Mather, Cllr D Whitaker (vice- chairman) Cllr N Wilson.

Gill Mason - clerk.

Four members of the public present.

1/18 Apologies for absence.

Cllr M O' Riordan, Cllr H Helme.

2/18 Declarations of interest.

Cllrs Booth and Helm declared an interest in any item regarding Ellel Village Hall.

3/18 Approve and sign minutes of the parish council meeting held on Monday 11th December 2017.

It was resolved that the minutes be signed and approved as a true record of the meeting by Cllr Collinson.

Proposed by Cllr Helm.

Seconded by Cllr Wilson.

4/18 Open forum.

A resident has expressed concerns regarding the overflow onto Stoney Lane from the soak away and asked if story homes can alleviate the problem.

A tree at Pennington Wood is growing at an angle and in bad weather may fall down. The wood is Duchy land and the parish council will contact them.

5/18 Planning applications.

17/01454/LB

Hillcroft Nursing Homes.

Listed building application for works to facilitate the change of use of 1 residential apartment to create 3 additional bedrooms for existing residential nursing home and internal alterations to 2 bedrooms at first floor

Ellel House, Chapel Lane, Galgate, Lancashire.

The parish council have no observations.

17/01453/CU

Hillcroft Nursing Homes.

Change of Use of 1 residential apartment (C3) to create 3 additional bedrooms for existing residential nursing home (C2)

Ellel House, Chapel Lane, Galgate, Lancashire.

The parish council have no observations.

17/01404/FUL

Erection of a single storey infill extension to the front, a single storey infill extension to the side, construction of a raised single pitched roof and creation of a new entrance and window openings
Mr B Hilton Site Address : Seat Garage, Main Road, Galgate, Lancaster, Lancashire.

The parish council have no observations.

It was resolved that the above responses be submitted to Lancaster City Council Development Control.

Proposed by Cllr Mather

Seconded by Cllr Booth

6/18 Finance

Payments.

Gill Mason- clerk's wages £843.09 and expenses £52.65 (PAYE £167.40/NI £19.57)	£895.74
Eon electric bills (D/D)	£285.41/£45.92
Insurance (D/D)	£160.50
Lancaster City Council pavilion rates	£112.70
CPRE membership	£50.00
PWLB Loan	£1913.80

It was resolved that the above payments be made.

Proposed by Cllr Booth.

Seconded by Cllr Helm.

Receipts

Band booking (rec rooms)	£115.00
The Plough car park rent	£880.00
Band booking (rec rooms)	£10.00
Craft club (rec rooms)	£80.00

7/18 Footpath clearing, Main Road.

No update from LCC Highways. The clerk was asked to contact the community payback team to see if they can clear the pavement on the Main Road.

8/18 Village Hall solar panels income update.

The clerk is waiting for the letter from LCC to say they have received the payment from the parish council, this will then be forwarded to Eon Yourfit.

9/18 Noticeboard maintenance.

Due to the bad weather the maintenance has been postponed.

10/18 Dolphinholme sign replacement.

Cllr Collinson has received a quote for £200 for the replacement of the dolphin and to re-varnish the two village signs.

It was resolved that the replacement and maintenance works go ahead.

Proposed by Cllr Collinson.

Seconded by Cllr Greenwood.

11/18 Recreational field area and recreation rooms.

Bowling Club gate.

The parish councillors will meet on Saturday morning to review the clearing of the pathway and installation of new gate. Cllr Helm has requested a quote for the works as soon as possible to submit with the wind turbine grant application.

Heaters for the rec rooms.

The clerk will ask the contractor to quote for four new heaters to be installed in the rec room.

Ongoing repair & maintenance review - all weather pitch.

The pitch is slippery to walk on and needs maintenance. The options are to remove the astro turf and use the area as a car park only, but the astro turf removal would be expensive and the surface underneath may be in need of repair. Or the area could be used as an all weather pitch / multi use area for the community, if the surface was maintained.

The clerk was asked to find out how much the removal of the astro turf would be and also look at Lancaster Universities prices for hiring out their pitch.

CCTV camera quote.

The clerk has received a quote for a camera and a screen and has asked how much just a camera connected to the current monitor in the village hall would be.

12/18 Zipwire grant update.

Decking replacement

Cllr Mather was asked to obtain quotes to present at the next meeting.

13/18 Church land purchase and Byelaw update.

No update.

14/18 Clerks report, police report and correspondence.

The clerk reported that the tax base for the parish council has risen, therefore to add 1% to the tax rate, the precept will be set at £28, 090.98. The parish council will formally adopt the precept and budget 2018/2019 at the February meeting.

Blackburn Cathedral carol service invitation – Cllr Helm to attend.

Lancaster City Playground health and safety reports – noted.

15/18 Date and time of next meeting.

Monday 12th February 2018 at 7.15pm at the Galgate Recreation Rooms.

Agenda items to be submitted to the clerk by Sunday 4th February at 5pm.

Meeting closed at 9.00pm

Signed (Chairman) Date