

## **ECCLESTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES** of the Meeting held 9 February 2012 at 7.30 pm in The Changing Rooms, Drapers Avenue, Ecclestone.

Present Councillors L Armstrong (Chairman), A Barnes, S. Harris, B Harrison, D Holborn, C Lilley, J Lilley, M Miller and R Monks.

Also Present Borough Councillor H Caunce and 1 Member of the Public.

### 11.12 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Councillors J Delve, M Frost, and W Mason.

### 12.12 Disclosure of Personal/Prejudicial Interests

None declared.

### 13.12 Minutes of the Meeting held 12 January 2012

Resolved: the Minutes (as circulated) be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

### 14.12 Public Participation

A resident provided details of his, and a neighbours, objections to a planning application for Winter View Farm, Parr Lane. The resident was informed that the Council had considered this application at its January meeting and decided to make no comment. Cllr Caunce is to look into the matter on behalf of the residents.

### 15.12 Financial Matters

Councillors considered the financial monitoring statement.

Resolved: the monitoring statement was received and accepted and signed by the Chairman.

The Clerk provided evidence of the receipt of the precept request by Chorley Council.

Resolved: the following payments be approved, the invoices having been inspected in accordance with fidelity guarantee requirements:

£ 135.00	Bill Beaumont Marquees	Deposit for marquee hire
£ 581.85	Employee 1	Salary
£ 417.44	Employee 2	Salary
£ 457.06	Employee 3	Salary
£ 218.40	HM Revenue and Customs	Tax and NI
£ 13.67	Employee 2	Reimbursements
£ 55.00	DWG (NW)	Tree works at the Hawthorns entrance
£ 58.00	E.on	Electricity charge
£ 60.55	United Utilities	Water services charge
£ 46.32	United Utilities	Surface water charge
£ 150.00	A Pryce	Deposit for amusement hire

### 16.12 Planning Matters

The following applications were considered:

12/00031/FUL Layout of car park and access track at High Heys Farm, Langton Brow.

12/00057/FUL Erection of a side and rear two storey extension at 133 The Green.

Councillors had no comments relating to these applications.

### 17.12 Risk Assessment

Councillors completed the annual risk assessment in accordance with the Practitioners Guide to Governance and Accountability in Local Councils in England and Wales. The existing procedures and controls were found to be adequate.

Resolved: the adequacy of the existing controls was noted.

18.12 Summer 2012/Spring 2013 Planting

Councillors considered a quotation for the supply and planting of bedding plants.

Resolved: DWG (NW) be instructed to supply plants.

19.12 Lancashire Minerals and Waste Development Framework

A consultation on proposed major modifications to the Framework was considered. As the modifications did not impact on the village Councillors had no comments to submit.

20.12 Lancashire Best Kept Village Competition

Possible entries for the 2012 competition were discussed. Councillors are to check whether possible entrants are willing to be put forward and report back at the March meeting.

21.12 Diamond Jubilee Committee

The Committee agreed the infrastructure and budget for the event. The arrangements agreed by the Working Group were ratified. A compere for the event is to be booked and a marquee, to house the main entertainment and compere, is to be ordered. Local organisations are to be invited to take part. The intention is to deliver an event, which will be workable even if the weather is poor.

22.12 Reports from Outside Bodies (for information only)

The Borough/Parish Councils Liaison Meeting received information on the Community Infrastructure Levy, the Three Tier Forum and Chorley Council taking over the cutting of highway verges from Lancashire County Council.

Information was provided on the first meeting of the Three Tier Forum.

23.12 Date of Next Meeting

Thursday 8 March 2012.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed.

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