

## **ECCLESTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES** of the Meeting held 12 July 2012 at 7.30 pm in The Changing Rooms, Drapers Avenue, Ecclestone.

Present Councillors W Mason (Chairman), L Armstrong, A Barnes, J Cannon, S Harris, B Harrison, C Lilley, and M Miller.

Also present PCSO J Talbot-Carabini and 9 Members of the Public

The Chairman proposed a letter of thanks be sent to former Councillor Monks for her past service to the Council.

Resolved: a letter of thanks be sent.

### 77.12 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Councillors M Frost, D Holborn and J Lilley.

### 78.12 Disclosure of Personal/Prejudicial Interests

None declared.

### 79.12 Minutes of the Meeting held 14 June 2012

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

Resolved: Standing Orders be suspended to allow Members of the Public to speak.

### 80.12 Public Participation

A representative from Wymott Community First Responders provided an update on the provision of a Community Public Access Defibrillator for the village. The cost is around £1750 per defibrillator, including training.

PCSO Jordan Talbot-Carabini introduced himself to Councillors.

The issue of parked vehicles obstructing the pavement on Sagar Street is being monitored.

Residents of Drapers Avenue expressed concerns regarding the request to hold a Funfair on the Recreation Ground. The residents mentioned existing problems in the area and raised concerns regarding sanitation, noise, litter and rubbish, access to the area and outsiders coming into the village. A resident advised previous funfair had been stopped due to drug issues.

A resident had mentioned problems with access to a private field off Bradley Lane and difficulties with standing water at the pedestrian access to the Recreation Fields.

The brown bin collection vehicle has been leaving a trail of foul liquid along estate roads.

Resolved: Standing Orders be restored.

Resolved: Agenda Item 9 be brought forward.

### 81.12 Funfair

A request from a Funfair Operator to hold a fair on the Recreation Ground was considered.

It was proposed to invite the Operator to meet members of the Village Activities Committee.

An amendment to the proposal to decline the request was defeated.

Resolved: the Operator be invited to meet members of the Village Activities Committee.

### 82.12 Financial Matters

Councillors considered the financial monitoring statement.

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

A grant request from St Mary's PCC, towards the costs of maintaining the churchyard, was considered.

Resolved: a grant of £200 be awarded.

A grant request from Bowland Pennine Mountain Rescue Team towards the purchase of insulated jackets for volunteers was considered.

Resolved: a grant of £150 be awarded.

Councillors considered a grant application from Vitalise towards the costs of respite care for disabled people. There was no proposer for the application.

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

£ 647.65	Employee 1	Salary
£ 437.88	Employee 2	Salary
£ 466.01	Employee 3	Salary
£ 249.17	HM Revenue and Customs	Tax and NI
£ 435.01	Employee 1	Reimbursements
£ 31.95	Employee 2	Reimbursements
£ 60.00	St John Ambulance	First aid cover for Diamond Jubilee event
£ 40.00	Signs and Graphics	Banners for Village Cycle Ride
£ 29.00	CPRE	Annual subscription
£ 58.00	E.on	Electricity charge
£ 1.17	United Utilities	Water services charge
£ 49.49	United Utilities	Surface water charge

#### 83.12 Planning Matters

The following applications were considered:

12/00554/FUL Single storey side extension following demolition of existing dining room at 10 Langton Close.

12/00567/FUL Single storey rear extension, detached garage, removal of front wall and formation of hard landscaping at 21Richmond Road.

12/00600/FUL Erection of a first floor rear extension at 11 Sagar Street.

12/00638/ADV Display of 3 non illuminated fascia signs at 209 The Green.

Councillors had no comments relating to these applications.

#### 84.12 Code of Conduct

The adoption of a new Code of Conduct for Members was considered. Councillors discussed model Codes provided by Chorley Council and the National Association of Local Councils.

Resolved: the National Association of Local Councils model Code of Conduct be adopted.

#### 85.12 Hackney Carriage and Private Hire provision

A consultation on the current taxi service across the borough was considered. Councillors felt the village was not well served, with the local private hire firm operating from Coppull. Hackney carriage provision at Chorley Station, for rail users, was thought to be lacking.

#### 86.12 Reports from Outside Bodies (for information only)

PACT Meeting - there were 26 reported crimes over a two month period, May and June, largely consisting of minor criminal damage. The Ironman Triathlon will lead to road closures.

#### 87.12 Date of Next Meeting

Thursday 9 August 2012.

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