

ECCLESTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Meeting held 8 November 2012 at 7.30 pm in The Changing Rooms, Drapers Avenue, Ecclestone.

Present Councillors W Mason (Chairman), L Armstrong, A Barnes, K Brown, J Cannon, M Frost, B Harrison, D Holborn, C Lilley and M Miller.

Also present Borough Councillor H Caunce and 3 Members of the Public.

125.12 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Councillor J Lilley.

126.12 Disclosure of Personal/Prejudicial Interests

None declared.

127.12 Minutes of the Meeting held 11 October 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.

128.12 Public Participation

Chorley Council's Parks and Open Spaces Manager, along with representatives from the Youth Centre, presented information and specifications of a design for an all weather ball court, along with suggestions for three possible sites.

Damaged concrete fence panels along the footpath leading to Mill Lane were reported.

A resident had complained about the imminent closure of the VIP Charity Shop in the Carrington Centre. Councillors felt this was an issue between landlord and tenant.

Resolved: Standing Orders be restored.

129.12 Financial Matters

Councillors considered the financial monitoring statement.

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

A grant application from Marie Curie, towards the costs of specialist overnight home care for patients was considered. There was no proposer.

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

£ 647.65	Employee 1	Salary
£ 425.66	Employee 2	Salary
£ 466.01	Employee 3	Salary
£ 245.97	HM Revenue and Customs	Tax and NI
£ 11.70	Employee 2	Reimbursements
£ 1239.57	Public Works Loans Board	Loan repayment
£ 396.00	DWG (NW)	Spring planting
£ 588.00	Argus Security Systems	Annual maintenance contracts
£ 150.00	Royal British Legion	Donation and wreath
£ 100.00	Ecclestone Brass Band	Grant
£ 48.00	E.on	Electricity charge
£ 5.71	United Utilities	Water services charge
£ 49.49	United Utilities	Surface water charge

130.12 Planning Matters

No applications for consideration.

131.12 Bishop Rawstone Church of England Academy Proposed 2014 Admissions Policy

The proposed Admissions Policy for 2014 was discussed. Councillors expressed concerns that the proposed policy may lead to residents of the village losing out to applicants from outside the area who can demonstrate faith commitment.

Resolved: a letter be sent to Bishop Rawstone requesting assurances that no child from the Foundation Parishes will be denied a place in favour of applicants from outside the Foundation Parishes.

132.12 Consultations

Councillors considered the following consultations:

Chorley Local Plan 2012-2016.

Central Lancashire - Community Infrastructure Levy Draft Charging Schedules Consultation.

Councillors had no comments relating to these consultations.

Lancashire County Council Proposed Part Time 20mph Speed Limit along a length of The Green, around Eccleston St Mary's C.E. Primary School - the installation of an additional sign on Bannister Lane to warn drivers who would otherwise not see the signage on The Green was suggested.

Chorley Council Litter Bin Improvement Project - Chorley Council is currently carrying out a project to install/replace litter bins. A resident has requested a bin, by the seat, at the junction of Tincklers Lane and Doctors Lane.

133.12 Reports from Outside Bodies (for information only)

PACT Meeting - the figures provided are for reported crimes only and concerns were raised regarding numbers of unreported crimes in the village.

The Three Tier Forum is to consider 20mph speed limit enforcement and general roadway improvements.

134.12 Exclusion of the Press and Public

Councillors considered the exclusion of members of the press and public for an item of business, in accordance with Section 1 (1) of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

Resolved: members of the public be excluded for the consideration of the following item.

135.12 Personnel Matters

CRB clearance is to be arranged for all members of staff.

136.12 Date of Next Meeting

Thursday 13 December 2012.

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

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