

ECCLESTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Meeting held 13 June 2013 at 7.30 pm in The Changing Rooms, Drapers Avenue, Ecclestone.

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

Also present 2 Members of the Public.

75.13 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Councillor A Barnes and Borough and County Councillor K Iddon.

76.13 Disclosure of Personal/Prejudicial Interests

None declared.

77.13 Minutes of the Annual Meeting held 9 May 2013

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

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

78.13 Public Participation

Residents queried arrangements for the Funfair including parking and contributions from the operator.

A suggestion for residents to be kept informed on the Carrington Centre redevelopment was made.

The dates for the Funfair will coincide with local events. A local diary for events was suggested.

Resolved: Standing Orders were restored.

Agenda Items 7 and 8 were brought forward.

79.13 All Weather Ball Court

The Chairman provided details of the tender process carried out by the Open Spaces Committee which had resulted in Lightmain Company Ltd being selected as the preferred contractor. The cost and funding for the project were queried. The total cost is in the region of £77,000 and it is anticipated this will be funded by Chorley Council from planning monies received in connection with the redevelopment of Sagar House.

Resolved: the project was approved, with Lightmain as preferred contractor, with no cost to the Parish Council.

Councillors considered the submission of a planning application.

Resolved: the submission of a planning application was approved.

Councillors considered the approval of the relevant planning fee of £192.50.

Resolved: the planning fee was approved.

80.13 Draper Avenue Surface Water Drainage

A brief summary of recent events was provided. The source of the problem had not been identified by the Consultant.

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

A resident advised the flooding issues had eased since the demolition of the former weaving sheds. The meeting was advised that a Land Registry Search has revealed the entire length of the drain is not on Parish Council property. The resident suggested the entire issue should be held in abeyance until such time as further flooding occurs.

Resolved: Standing Orders were restored.

Councillors discussed the form support for the residents might take. It was stressed the support could not be financial, but may take other forms. The resident is to be asked to advise of any further problems.

81.13 Financial Matters

Councillors considered the financial monitoring statement.

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

Councillors considered a grant application from Bowland Pennine Mountain Rescue Trust towards the costs of operational expenses.

Resolved: a grant of £150 was awarded.

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

£ 648.89	Employee 1	Salary
£ 449.28	Employee 2	Salary
£ 478.10	Employee 3	Salary
£ 258.01	HM Revenue and Customs	Tax and NI
£ 185.72	Employee 1	Reimbursements
£ 66.10	Employee 2	Reimbursements
£ 200.00	Sprintprint	Newsletter printing
£ 200.00	Eccleston Scout and Guide HQ	Grant
£ 53.00	E.on	Electricity charge
£ 12.64	United Utilities	Water services charge
£ 52.09	United Utilities	Surface water charge

82.13 Planning Matters

The following applications were considered:

13/00449/FUL 2.0m high side boundary wall matching existing wall lengthened to side gable of property at 41 New Street.

13/00478/FUL Erection of single storey rear extension at Hilton House, Towngate.

Councillors had no comments relating to these applications.

13/00481/FUL Erection of roof and enclosure to cattle handling facility at Ingrave Farm, New Lane. The existing plans are to be checked to confirm the roof is covering an existing structure.

A resident of Heskin had contacted the Council regarding an application in Charnock Richard and building within the area.

83.13 Filming on Recreation Fields

A request to allow filming of funfair scenes whilst the Funfair is on site for a documentary regarding the Moors Murderers was considered. The request was refused.

84.13 Agenda Items for Meetings

Suggestions for the agendas of the Borough/Parish Councils Liaison Meeting and the Chorley Three Tier Forum were discussed. The condition of roads in the area is to be put to the Three Tier Forum and the positioning of the 20mph SID on Sagar Street to the Borough/Parish Liaison.

85.13 Reports from Outside Bodies (for information only)

PACT Meeting - the latest meeting was very poorly attended. There were 10 recorded crimes. The village has a new, full time PCSO.

Western Parishes Neighbourhood Area meeting - Chorley Council is working with the Lower Yarrow Flood Action Group on flooding issues. PCSO's are prioritising dog fouling problems. A Time Credits scheme is being introduced rewarding volunteers with vouchers to spend on various activities including swimming, adult education, Chorley Little Theatre visits and others.

74.13 Date of Next Meeting

Thursday 11 July 2013.

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

..... (Chairman)