

ECCLESTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Meeting held 10 September 2015 at 7.30 pm in The Changing Rooms, Drapers Avenue, Ecclestone.

Present Councillors K Brown (Chairman), H Caunce, V Caunce, W Mason, M Miller, G Thomas, H Thomas and A Whittaker.

Also present 1 Member of the public.

111.15 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Councillors L Armstrong, D Bonney, M Frost and S Kenyon.

112.15 Disclosure of Personal/Prejudicial Interests

Cllr Miller, as owner of a neighbouring property, declared a non-pecuniary interest in application 15/00719/FUL, forming part of Agenda Item 6 (Planning Matters).

113.15 Minutes of the Meeting held on 13 August 2015

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

Resolved: Standing Orders were suspended.

114.15 Public Participation

A Councillor expressed his disagreement with the decision taken by the Council at the August meeting regarding the provision of public conveniences on the Carrington Centre. Possible alternatives, including approaching Sainsbury's, were discussed.

Resolved: Standing Orders were restored.

115.15 Drainage Ditch

Bloor Homes' legal advisors had provided evidence that the drainage ditch running from the rear of the Scout Hut to the Junior pitch is owned by Northern Trust.

Resolved: Northern Trust is to be contacted to confirm the ownership of the ditch. If ownership is confirmed a request to clear the ditch is to be made, and Northern Trust's intentions for the ditch in the future are to be queried.

A suggestion to request that the ditch should be offered to the Council was made.

Councillors also discussed the lack of access for residents, who have recently purchased properties on New Mill Street, wishing to gain entry to the Recreation Ground.

Resolved: Bloor Homes is to be asked to liaise with Northern Trust to provide a means of access across the ditch from New Mill Street to the Recreation Ground.

116.15 Planning Matters

The following applications were considered:

15/00719/FUL Erection of three 2.5 storey detached dwellings with garages along with construction of new access way at Ricmarlo, Preston Nook.

15/00797/DIS Application to discharge condition 5 (landscaping details) of planning approval 13/01161/FUL (extension to restaurant) at Verdes Ristorante Pizzeria, 230 - 232 The Green.

15/00802/CLPUD Proposed single storey side extension, dormer extension to front and rear and new roof to existing rear extension at Blossom Hill, 382 Langton Brow.

15/00810/PDE Erection of single storey rear extension measuring 4.5m in depth, 12.4 m wide, 1.9 m high to the eaves and a maximum height of 3m (where it adjoins the house). Existing conservatory to be demolished at 65 Beechfields.

15/00835/AGR Erection of agricultural storage building and animal shelter at Land 400m NW of Roselands, Tincklers Lane.

15/00836/FUL Demolition of existing bungalow and detached garage; construction of a new dwelling an attached garage (amendment to previously approved scheme ref: 13/01212/FUL, to include single storey rear extension) at 72 Doctors Lane.

15/00852/DIS Application to discharge conditions 5 (Dwelling Emission Rate), 6 (SAP assessment) and 9 (materials) attached to planning approval 15/00283/FUL at Land rear of the Carrington Centre, The Green.

15/00862/PDE Erection of conservatory to rear of existing single storey extension measuring 2.5m in depth, 4m in width and a maximum height of 3.1m to the ridge. Total projection from original rear elevation of 6m at 2 Martland Cottages, Towngate.

Councillors had no comments relating to these applications.

15/00775/FUL Change of use from retail unit (Use Class A1) to micro pub (Use Class A4) at Grocers on the Green, 267B The Green

Resolved: an objection is to be submitted on the grounds of inadequate parking provision and public safety issues. To access the parking space, vehicles will be required to drive across the public pavement, on a bend in close proximity to the junction with Bannister Lane.

117.15 Financial Matters

Councillors considered the monthly financial monitoring statement.

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

An offer of a three year long term agreement, with a reduction in premium, was considered.

Resolved: the long term agreement was accepted and the premium approved.

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

£ 684.67	Employee 1	Salary
£ 457.89	Employee 2	Salary
£ 501.32	Employee 3	Salary
£ 242.96	HM Revenue & Customs	Tax/NI
£ 460.46	Employee 1	Reimbursements
£ 23.70	Employee 2	Reimbursements
£ 35.00	Information Commissioner	Annual registration
£ 1641.60	Earth Anchors	Seats
£ 2436.54	Came and Co	Insurance premium
£ 63.05	Royal Mail	Freepost delivery
£ 102.00	Croston Plumbing and Heating	Boiler repair
£ 117.60	Tell Tale Signs	Memorial sign
£ 131.00	E.on	Electricity contract
£ 21.51	United Utilities	Metered water charge
£ 56.48	United Utilities	Surface water charge
£ 70.00	Chorley Council	Business rates

118.15 Village Green Tree Seat

A recommendation from members of the Open Spaces Committee for a replacement for the seat removed for safety reasons was considered.

Resolved: a replacement tree seat, costing £749 (+VAT and delivery) is to be ordered.

119.15 Celebration of Existence of Long Serving Businesses

A suggestion to celebrate the existence of long serving businesses in the village with the presentation of a small engraved plate was discussed. Suggestions for recipients were put

forward and Councillors are to ascertain the actual business names for inclusion on the plates. Costings are to be obtained.

120.15 Charity Commission Annual Returns

Confirmation of the submission of annual returns for the Recreation Ground Charity and Ecclestone Millennium Green Charity was provided. The submissions were noted.

121.15 Lancashire County Council Draft Corporate Strategy

A consultation on the Draft Corporate Strategy was considered. Councillors had no comments.

122.15 Reports from Outside Bodies

A Police report was provided detailing five crimes within the village. PCSO Coleman has taken up a post in Chorley. Cover will be provided by the remaining PCSO with back up from the Lostock area PCSO.

123.15 Date of Next Meeting

Thursday 8 October 2015.

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