

ECCLESTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Council Meeting held 14 February 2019 at 7.30 pm in The Community Hub, Drapers Avenue, Ecclestone.

Present Councillors K Brown (Chairman), L Armstrong, D Bonney, M Brown, R Burns, V Counce, J Holborn, W Mason, D Miller, H Thomas and A Whittaker.

Also present 6 Members of the Public

12.19 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Councillor H Counce.

13.19 Disclosure of Personal/Prejudicial Interests

None declared.

14.19 Minutes of the Meeting held on 10 January 2019

Resolved: the minutes of the meeting held on 10 January 2019 (as circulated) were approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

15.19 Matters Arising

06.19 The verge on The Green has been submitted as a Chorley Council Neighbourhood Project.

06.19 Temporary repairs have been carried out to the surface of the Recreation Ground car park.

Resolved: Standing Orders were suspended.

16.19 Public Participation

Councillors had met with an Officer from Wymott regarding the verge on The Green and suggestions will be provided for an agenda item for the March meeting.

Residents asked whether the Soldier Silhouette could be sited permanently on the Village Green. This will be included on the agenda for the March meeting.

A suggestion for a village tidy up along the lines of a Keep Britain Tidy campaign was put forward.

The general condition of the village was mentioned including debris left in corner of the layby by Verdes following flooding in the area, which also causes problems for the pedestrian crossing and limits parking spaces.

An overgrown hedge on the Hawthorns Play Area was reported.

A representative from Dial-a-Ride is to attend the April meeting to provide information on the Community Cars scheme.

A resident had raised issues of speeding traffic on Bannister Lane with LCC Highways.

Resolved: Standing Orders were restored.

Resolved: Agenda item 11 was brought forward.

17.19 Neighbourhood Priority

Improvement works, including raised planted beds, on the verge in front of the pond by Verdes had been suggested as a Neighbourhood Priority for 2019-20.

Resolved: raised beds and improvement works to the verge on The Green were selected as the Neighbourhood Priority.

18.19 Planning Matters

19/00004/FULHH Single storey front extension at The Old Orchard, Preston Nook

19/00015/FULHH Single storey rear extension at 43 Parr Lane

19/00034/FULHH New porch to front elevation and construction of new roof and rear canopy to existing single storey rear extension at 59 Lydiate Lane

19/00114/CLPUD Application for a certificate of lawfulness for a proposed detached outbuilding at Folly Cottage, Syd Brook Lane

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There were no objections to these applications.

19.19 Financial Matters

The financial monitoring statement was considered.

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

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

£ 151.73	British Gas	Changing Rooms electricity
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£ 4440.00	JT & KJ Waterworth	Grass cutting contract
£ 711.94	Employee 1	Salary
£ 543.71	Employee 2	Salary and reimbursements
£ 679.53	Employee 3	Salary
£ 128.54	HM Revenue and Customs	Tax/NI
£ 64.00	Chorley Council	Business rates
£ 65.93	Water Plus	Metered water charge

20.19 Changing Rooms Power Supplies

Quotations for gas and electricity supplies for the Changing Rooms were considered.

Resolved: a 3 year contract with Total Gas and Power was agreed, with the payments to be made by unspecified amount direct debit approved.

21.19 Car Park Boundary Fence

The provision of a fence for the boundary of the car park from the rear of the Scout Hut to Drapers Avenue was discussed. Quotations for a fence with concrete posts and a single concrete slab, topped with small wooden panels are to be obtained.

22.19 Community Hub Broadband

A request for broadband provision for The Hub was considered. Chorley Council will provide assistance with provision, including installation costs and had provided details of a package provided by Vodafone at a cost of £26.00 per month.

Resolved: Chorley Council is to be asked to assist with arranging the Vodafone package.

23.19 Chorley Council Consultations

Consultations on the 2019-20 Budget and the Draft Statement of Community Involvement were considered. Councillors had no comments.

24.19 Reports from Outside Bodies

The crime figures for December were provided, which included 7 reported crimes.

Community Hub - bookings are increasing with a new Pilates group holding 2 classes per week and a new art group. The Friday night youth club is up and running and numbers are increasing. The grant from the Lottery Fund has been received and the lighting is to be replaced and more equipment will be purchased.

25.19 Date of Next Meeting

Thursday 14 March 2019.