

## **ECCLESTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES** of the Council Meeting held 13 July 2017 at 7.30 pm in The Young People's Centre, Drapers Avenue, Ecclestone.

Present Councillors K Brown (Chairman), L Armstrong, D Bonney, M Brown, H Caunce, V Caunce, J Holborn, W Mason, C Mayor, D Miller and A Whittaker.

Also present County and Borough Councillor K Iddon and 13 Members of the Public.

### 87.17 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Councillor H Thomas.

### 88.17 Disclosure of Personal/Prejudicial Interests

None declared.

### 89.17 Minutes of the Meeting held on 8 June 2017

Resolved: the minutes of the meeting held on 8 June 2017 (as circulated) were approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

### 90.17 Matters Arising

83.17 Lancashire County Council has been notified of the choice of the tree and confirmed they will remove the stump. An update on the licence to plant on the verge will be provided in October, in readiness for planting in the Winter months.

Resolved: Standing Orders were suspended.

### 91.17 Public Participation

As agenda items 9 and 11 were information items only they were brought forward to enable members of the public to take part in the discussions.

#### Item 9 Resident's Only Parking on Bannister Lane

Resident advised of problems with inconsiderate parking on Bannister Lane which had resulted in residents not being able to park near their properties and drives being obstructed, particularly around school opening and closing times. Lancashire County Council has been asked to provide information on 'residents only' parking and a response is awaited. The residents were asked to provide photos of blocked drives which could be taken up by the Police.

#### Item 11 Ecclestone Community Hub

A meeting of the management group is to be arranged and a representative of Community Futures, an outside advisory body, will attend to provide advice to the members.

A resident mentioned tree protectors had been removed from established trees and left on the Millennium Green.

Cllr Whittaker left the meeting.

Several residents mentioned inconsiderate parking on The Green and Lawrence Lane, with pavement blocked and drivers not paying attention to pedestrians. Again, residents were asked to provide photos of offending vehicles which the Council would pass onto the Police.

Further problems with youth nuisance on the Drapers Avenue car park and the skatepark were reported. A resident advised of drug dealing at the rear of the sandbag store container and drug dealing was also reported as taking place on the Millennium Green.

A resident requested the reasons for apologies for absence received from Councillors for recent meetings. Details will be provided to the resident. The resident also requested updates on a number of items including stolen play equipment, entrance signs, Village Green sign and planting, Millennium Green path, Bradley Lane pond, litter bins and dog fouling signage for Mill Lane.

Updates were provided on a number of the items, which are ongoing and being dealt with by the Open Spaces Committee. The resident also mentioned problems with localised power cuts and queried whether the fair would be going ahead. Councillors advised the Open Spaces Committee had decided not to proceed with the fair.

A Councillor reported a comment from residents that council minutes were not explanatory.

Residents had requested seating outside the Carrington Centre shops.

Resolved: Standing Orders were restored.

#### 92.17 Planning Matters

17/00539/FUL Erection of detached two storey dwelling with garage/workshop and stables following demolition of existing stables, kennels and workshop at High Heys Farm Langton Brow

17/00538/FUL Construction of 2 no. 4 bedroom detached dwellings with associated garages on land between Trigfan and Moons Cottage Trigfan Parr Lane

17/00581/MNMA Application for a minor non-material amendment to planning permission 16/01191/FUL (which relates to 7 no. new dwellings) to amend materials of house types B and C and to make it clear that house type B relates to plots 2 and 3 (as shown on the previously approved plans) Land Adjacent To 75 Towngate

17/00624/TPO T1 - Sycamore - Fell to ground due to cavity - replant suitable species T6 - Oak - reduce length of primary limb by 2m to reduce potential damage to property T7 - Oak - reduce length of primary limb by 2m to east to reduce potential damage to neighbouring property  
14 Anchor Fields

17/00650/FULHH Two storey side and single storey rear extensions (including the partial demolition of the existing detached garage) 2 The Hawthorns

17/00549/FUL Creation of outdoor drinking area including erection of boundary fence 267B The Green. The application is contrary to a condition on planning permission 15/00775/FUL for the change of use from retail to a micro pub, which was placed to minimise disturbance to neighbouring properties and maintain parking areas.

Resolved: an objection is to be submitted on the grounds of impact on neighbour amenity and loss of parking spaces.

#### 93.17 Financial Matters

The financial monitoring statement was considered.

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

Payment of utility bills by unspecified amount direct debit was reviewed.

Resolved: the continuation of payment of utility bills by unspecified amount direct debit was approved.

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

£ 28.76	Water Plus	Metered water charge
£ 213.38	British Gas	Electricity
£ 181.14	British Gas	Gas
£ 697.78	Employee 1	Salary
£ 470.77	Employee 2	Salary
£ 644.03	Employee 3	Salary
£ 122.81	HM Revenue & Customs	Tax/NI
£ 135.71	Employee 2	Reimbursements
£ 200.00	Sprint Print	Newsletter printing
£ 100.00	Eccleston Scout Group	Newsletter delivery
£ 345.09	Total Gas and Power	Gas (Community Hub)

£	288.00	Ark Welding	Repairs to seats
£	36.00	CPRE	Annual subscription
£	10.00	OPSTA	Annual subscription
£	62.00	Chorley Council	Business rates
£	62.30	United Utilities	Metered water charge

94.17 Appointment of Representative to Neighbourhood Area meetings

Due to the early start time, the Chairman is unable to attend the meetings. A replacement representative was considered.

Resolved: Cllr Miller will represent the Parish Council.

95.17 Social Isolation Pilot Project

An invitation to take part in a project to combat social isolation was considered. Councillors expressed a wish to take part and Cllr Miller volunteered to serve on a working group.

96.17 Chorley Council Community Infrastructure Levy Regulation 123 List

The updated list of infrastructure projects was considered. Councillors had no comments.

97.17 Committee Report

The Chairman of the Open Spaces Committee provided a verbal report from a recent meeting.

98.17 Reports from Outside Bodies

The latest crime figures were provided. There were 11 reported crimes for June.

99.17 Date of Next Meeting

Thursday 10 August 2017.

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