

HESKETH-with-BECCONSALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 9th March 2020 at 7:30pm at The Community Centre, Station Road, Hesketh Bank.

PRESENT

Councillors Iain Ashcroft; Diane Earles; Mike Ellis; John Hunter; Steve Kirby; David Maughan; Richard Plant; Paul Sergeant (Chairman); Ron Tyson Ian T Cropper, Clerk.

One member of the general public was present.

COUNCIL MEETING

APOLOGIES

Cllr Norma.M.Goodier;

MINUTES

RESOLUTION No. 2019/56 Carried that the Minutes of the General Meeting of the Parish Council held on the 13th January 2020 are confirmed as a true record.

REPORTS

Cllr. Ellis updated Members as to progress on the new Community Centre building.

CLERK'S REPORT

ELECTIONS

It was noted that Members terms of office end in May with an election if more than eleven persons put their names forward. The estimated costs to this Council was £420 uncontested or £4,800 if contested.

HENRY ALTY WAY

The Clerk advised that Cllr Ashcroft and he would be meeting with the new head of planning at WLBC on Friday 13th March to look for financial support and backing for the scheme. It was noted that Cllr Kirby had already met with Tarleton Academy regarding access over their land and received a positive response.

It was also noted that Tarleton Parish Council would be considering joining the Council in this scheme with both planning and financial support.

WEST LANCS LOCAL PLAN

Members noted that the usual "Call for Sites" consultation was now live until the 26th of March which Members can access through the Borough Council WebSite. Council as a body confirmed that they did not wish to put forward any suggestions.

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CEO VISIT

A visit by the new WL CEO Jackie Sinnot-Lacey along with the Tarleton Clerk to the Parishes and some of the important businesses has now been scheduled for the 26th of March

WAYSIDE SEAT

It was noted that the new Pardoe Close seat had now been installed.

CCTV

It was noted that the Councils bespoke CCTV system will start being upgraded later in March with new Network Video recorders being installed at the Station Road Play Area, The Community Centre, The CSG and the Shore Road Pavilion. Output from the camera in the school playground will transfer to the Pavilion hub.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

It was noted that with the installation of new lighting columns on the new roundabout, two of the Council's replica vintage lighting columns had disappeared – The Clerk was pursuing this.

GLEN PARK PLAY AREA

The Clerk confirmed that he had now negotiated an acceptable plan which would see the perimeter and rear of the site put down to grass to provide sustainable drainage, the removal of eleven poor condition trees, replacement of the safety surfacing with new green synthetic material, repainting all the equipment and the installation of a small roundabout and additional seating. The total cost of this would be approx £25,000.

BOROUGH COUNCIL GRANT FUNDING

It was noted that the Clerk had placed an application with West Lancs for 75% (£6,000) funding of CCTV for Glen Park Drive Play Area.

NORTH WEST INSHORE & OFFSHORE Marine Plans.

It was noted that this was now out to consultation which runs to the 6th of April.

COMMUNITY CENTRE FUNDING

The Clerk confirmed that the proposed CIL funding towards the cost of the replacement Community Centre hall fell outside the standard "Grants & Gifts Policy" of the Council and would be regarded as the distribution of external funds.

RESOLUTION No. 2019/57 Carried that the Clerk's Report and actions are noted and ratified.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

PAYMENTS

RESOLUTION No. 2019/58 Carried that payments of Accounts made since the last meeting are ratified and the Invoices now presented on the Payments Schedule are approved and that the Clerk is authorised to complete the appropriate electronic transactions.

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RECEIPTS Hesketh AFC	Additional Rent	£617.50
Bank Interest Investment Interest	Jan-Feb 2020 Feb-Mar 2020	£1.44 £209.06
Current Account Deposit Account	Balance 29 th Feb 2020 Balance 29 th Feb 2020	£2,886.16 £177,000.00

INSPECTION REPORTS

Reports were received in respect of the Shore Road complex, Station Road and Glen Park Play areas.

OTHER MATTERS

As the scheduled meeting of the Council in April would fall on Easter Bank Holiday Monday, it was agreed to transfer this to Tuesday 14^{th} April 2020

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7:58pm.