



HESKETH-with-BECCONSALL **PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 13th September 2021 at 7:30pm at Hesketh Bank Community Centre.

PRESENT

Councillors Tim Barnacle, Norma Goodier, John Hunter, Steve Kirby, David Maughan, Kate Maughan David O'Neill, Richard Plant, Paul Sergeant (Chairman), Ron Tyson, Joan Witter
Ian T Cropper, Proper Officer
Diane Earles, Executive Clerk

Several members of the general public were present.

COUNCIL MEETING

APOLOGIES

None

MINUTES

RESOLUTION No. 2021/35 Carried that the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council held on the 12th July 2021 are confirmed as a true record.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Plant declared his interest in Agenda Item concerning Becconsall Old Churchyard.

PUBLIC FORUM

Concerns were raised by a member of the public with regard to the Henry Alty Way.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman thanked the Members for their cards and messages in response to his recent family bereavement.

REPORTS

Cllr Tyson reported on the Lancashire Best Kept Village and Love Hesketh Bank Best Kept Front Garden/Street Competitions.

Cllr Witter reported that the Layfield Charity have monies to support families in need.

Cllr O'Neill reported on his meeting with Peter Watkinson, President of Hesketh Bank Silver Band over his concerns regarding Hesketh Bank Community Centre.

RESOLUTION No. 2021/36 Carried that Cllr O'Neill convenes a meeting with Hesketh Bank Silver Band and Hesketh Bank Community Centre.

CLERK'S REPORT

The Council received a thank you card for the 'lovely' benches on Cropper Gardens. £350 compensation has been received from Nat West bank because of issues when changing the bank mandate.

North Meols Parish Clerk has advised that there have been meetings with our MP, environment agency, NFU and a 'plan of attack' on the flooding issue is being compiled with a formal update due soon.

There is a new Parish Clerk for Tarleton, who takes her post in October and the three Clerks will be meeting soon.

The slide on Station Road play area has been damaged and will be repaired as soon as possible.

The CCTV on Glen Park should go live on the 16th September.

The September newsletter will be delayed until October so as to include Councillors pictures, which will be taken at the next meeting, and the opening of the Henry Alty Way.

The External Audit was concluded without any issues.

The original quotation to replace the four obsolete concrete lampposts to allow for extending the Christmas decorations has gone up from £2160 including VAT to £2780 with no VAT, which is still within the agreed budget.

RESOLUTION No. 2021/37 Carried that the Clerk's Report and actions are noted and ratified.

RESOLUTION No. 2021/38 Carried that four concrete lampposts will be replaced.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

RESOLUTION No. 2021/39 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 transactions.

The Council's liquid assets on the 31st August were reported as:

Current Account	£ 4,102.36
CCLA Deposit Account	£184,000.00

REPORT received by Ian Cropper on the launch of Henry Alty Way, which will take place on 8th October between 1 and 3pm, and Cllr Plant lead the Members in thanking Mr Cropper for his work on this project.

RESOLUTION No. 2021/40 Carried that the Clerk recommends to All Saints Church that they re-apply for planning permission to West Lancs Borough Council.

INSPECTION REPORTS

Reports were received from Councillors Hunter and Maughan.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.11pm