## HESKETH - WITH - BECCONSALL PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON THE 21st APRIL 1992

## PRESENT:- Mr P Handley (Chairman)

Mesdames M Baxter; L Kershaw; D Trippier and J Witter

Messrs M Goodier and L Greenwood

Apologies were received from Mr P Bannister and Mr J Hodson and two members of the Press and Public were present for part of the meeting.

## MINUTES

193/91 RESOLVED:- That, subject to the following addition, the Minutes of the meeting held on the 23rd March 1992 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman:-

Page 4 <u>Dog Faeces</u> After 'this Parish' insert 'with the assistance of Mr J R Foster'

## MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

There were no items under this heading.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

1.  $\underline{\text{Mr S Iddon}}$  A letter of thanks had been received from Mrs J Iddon and Family.

## 2. County Council

Tarleton Register Office The closure of the office had been deferred until nearer the retirement of the Registrar in October 1993.

## 3. <u>District Council</u>

Agendas and Minutes There were no items affecting this Parish.

Revenue Budget 1992/93 A copy had been received.

#### 4. Other matters

a. <u>Probation Service</u> A request had been received for suitable projects to be identified for persons serving Community Service Orders.

194/91 RESOLVED: - 1. That the Probation Service be advised that the outside of the changing hut on Shore Road is in need of painting,

2. That the Village Hall Committee be asked if they wish to put forward the painting of the hall and the tidying up of the garden.

b. Countryside Campaigner The latest edition had been

received.

c. <u>Rural Journeys</u> Details of a Community Textile Collage were advised, the Group would meet each Thursday from 30th April until 2nd June, except on the 7th May between 1.30pm and 4.00pm at The Methodist Church Hall, Chapel Road

## FINANCE

1. Accounts for payment

195/91 RESOLVED:- That the following accounts be paid:-

a. Henry Alty Ltd - Spraying equipment £ 122.79

b. Russell Leisure Products - Equipment & installation

£4153.63

c. Mr N Marsden - Repairs to bus shelter and seat

£ 37.95

d. Mr J R Foster - Cutting tree branches

£ 10.00

e. Mr R Bond - Tiles for allotments

£ 10.64

2. Receipts The following had been received:-

West Lancashire District Council - Grant 1991/92 £4500.00

- 3. <u>Insurance</u> The Clerk reported that he had received two quotations for the Council's insurance requirements as follows:-
  - 1. Municipal Mutual Insurance £ 253.50
- 2. Cornhill Insurance £ 149.70 less 5% in respect of a three year agreement.

196/91 <u>RESOLVED:</u> That the Council enter into a three year agreement for Insurance with Cornhill Insurance with effect from 1st May 1992

4. Bus hiter The County Council had agreed to pay a grant of £300 in respect of the replacement bus shelter at Shore Road/Chapel Road

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#### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

 $\underline{\text{Mr J R Foster}}$  said that he would do the spraying as soon as conditions were right and, in addition to the work previously mentioned, he undertook to spray near to the fence on Station Road bridge.

He also mentioned that the seat on the new play area required attention and Mr Greenwood reported that there was a stump sticking out of the ground near to the new slide.

Mr Foster also reported that he had removed some polystyrene from Moss Lane near to Boundary Lane.

The Chairman reported that Mr Foster had done a good job in cleaning up the Becconsall Lane area of the Parish.

197/91 RESOLVED:- That Mr Fester be thanked for all his hard work in the Becconsall Lane area of the Parish.

## PLANNING MATTERS

- 1. Weekly Lists
- 198/91 RESOLVED:- That no comments be made on the following applications:-
- a. No 08/92/0274 Detached house and garage inc. new pedestrian access Land adj. 86 Moss Lane
- b. <u>No 08/92/0298</u> Attached double garage at rear 'Sunnydale', Marsh Road
- c. No 08/92/0355 Detached double garage and hobby room 'Westleigh', Shore Road
  - 2. Planning Control Sub-Committee 23rd April 1992
- 199/91 RESOLVED:- That no comments be made on the following applications:-
- a. No 08/92/0206 Dormer window & chimney extension on rear elevation, 29 Woodlee Road (The recommendation was for refusal)
- b. No 08/91/1197 0/L erection of agricultural workers' dwelling, Hesketh Lodge, Dib Road (The recommendation was for refusal)
- 200/91 <u>RESOLVED:</u> That in relation to the proposed Enforcement Action in respect of the following:-

 $\underline{\text{No E92/20}}$  - Use of land for storage of scrap vehicles, vehicle parts and plant machinery and parts at 354 Moss Lane,

The Director of Development & Amenities be requested to advise the Sub-Committee that this Council are surprised at the suggested action as the applicant provides a service for the growers in the area and is, therefore, involved in agriculture to a degree although this Council believes that the site needs to be tidied up.

201/91 RESOLVED:- That the following approval be noted:-

No 08/92/0159 - 0/L one detached house and new vehicular access adj. 88 Moss Lane

## 3. Other matters

Applications for Goods Vehicle Operators Licences

- 202/91 RESOLVED:- That the following be noted:
  - a. G Whiteside, Dunkirk Farm, Shore Road 5 vehicles
  - b. J Bond, 354 Moss Lane 2 vehicles and 2 trailers

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#### **HIGHWAYS MATTERS**

## 1. Grass cutting - Verges and Recreation Ground surrounds

It was reported that Mr M Taylor had not responded to a request for a quotation for this work. The Chairman suggested that Brophy's, the District Council Contractor could be approached or failing that Tarleton Parish Council could be asked for details of their Contractor.

- 203/91 <u>RESOLVED:</u> That the Chairman and Clerk be authorised to take the necessary action to secure the cutting of the grass verges and the surrounds of the Recreation Ground for this summer.
- 2. Dib Road It was reported that a gate had been erected on this road but Mrs M Baxter indicated that she had been assured that the gate would not be locked and the Chairman said that he had never seen the gate locked. It was reported that a public footpath went along that road which must not be obstructed. It was agreed that the situation be watched.
- 3. <u>Bus shelters</u> It was reported that one pane of glass required replacing in the bus shelter at the junction of Shore Road and Chapel Road on the Preston side of the road.
- 204/91 <u>RESOLVED:</u> That Merseybus be requested to replace the pane of glass the next time they are working reasonably near to this location.

## RECREATION GROUND AND PLAY AREAS

## Station Road Play Area

a. New equipment The Clerk reported that the quotation from Russell Leisure for the additional tiles and the fence had eventually been received in the sum of £ 1056.00 + VAT. It was further reported that this brought the total expenditure to £4591.00 + VAT which was £91 over the amount of the grant from the District Council.

The Chairman reported that the performance of Russell Leisure had not been particularly good and at one stage prior to laying the safety surfacing, a concrete surface had been left for 2/3 days. The Clerk also reported difficulty in obtaining the quotation for the additional tiles and the fence.

- 205/91 RESOLVED:- 1. That the action of the Clerk and Chairman in accepting the quotation for additional tiles and the fence in the sum of £ 1056.00 + VAT be confirmed,
- 2. That the Clerk be requested to voice to Russell Leisure the Council's dissatisfaction at their performance on this contract.
- b.  $\underline{\text{Seat}}$  It was reported that the seat had again been broken and it was decided to leave consideration of the action to be taken until the next meeting.
- c. Broken stump near the new slide It was agreed that Mr J R Foster be asked to look at this stump and contact the Chairman with his findings.
- d. Broken glass It was reported that broken glass had been found on the play area and Mr Foster had removed it. It was agreed that there was no immediate solution to this problem.

#### BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION

Mr M Goodier reported that he had received several letters with suggestions for improving the village and he read out a number of those suggestions. He said that he had approached a number of shops about the possibility of putting flower baskets or tubs outside the shops and had received a good response.

Mr Goodier undertook to keep the Council informed of developments.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION OF PARISH AND TOWN COUNCILS - WEST LANCS AREA COMMITTEE

Mrs L Kershaw reported on the recent meeting and mentioned the following:-

Lighting repairs; Waste Management Regulations: the Household tip at Rufford; the formation of a South West Lancashire Area Committee; HGV Operators Licences; the sale of land by the County Council; the new Youth Centre at Burscough; the Register of Listed Buildings at Risk; the Victims' Support Scheme; the Police and Community Forum; and the Community Health Council for which no volunteer had been found to represent the Committee.

Mrs Kershaw also reported that Councillor Ryding had attended the meeting and was looking much better.

## **ALLOTMENTS**

It was reported that one of the tenants had placed sticks along the edge of his allotment and concern was also expressed about spraying by the same tenant.

206/91 RESOLVED: That Mr P Bannister be requested to investigate and report back to the next meeting.

It was also reported that the bottoming of the ditch would be done in the near future.

## PARISH COUNCILLORS

The Chairman referred to the forthcoming elections and thanked the Clerk and all the Councillors for their efforts on behalf of the Council during the past four years.

He had previously referred to Mr S Iddon's service and now wished to mention Mrs M Baxter who had served for 18 years, had been Chairman for 4 years and Vice-Chairman for a number of years. He also mentioned Mr W Hill who was not standing after 4 years on the Council.

The Chairman in closing the meeting, again mentioned that the next meeting would be on Monday, 18th May 1992 at 7.30pm.

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## HESKETH - WITH - BECCONSALL PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING HELD ON 18th MAY\_1992

## PRESENT:- Mr P J Handley (Chairman)

Mesdames N M Goodier; L Kershaw and D M Trippier

Messrs P Bannister; M J Goodier; L H Greenwood; J Jackson and S Trippier

Apologies were received from Mrs J Witter and Mr J Hodson Two members of the press and public were present for part of the meeting.

## ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

1/92 RESOLVED:- That Mr P J Handley be elected Chairman of the Council for the year 1992/93.

(Mr Handley made the Declaration of Office as Chairman).

## APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

Nominations, duly seconded, were received for the Appointment of Mr M J Goodier and Mrs D M Trippier as Vice-Chairman of the Council.

On a show of hands, Mr Goodier received 4 votes and Mrs Trippier 5 votes, whereupon it was:-

2/92 RESOLVED: That Mrs D M Trippier be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Council for the year 1992/93.

## MINUTES

3/92 <u>RESOLVED</u>:- That, subject to the following amendment, the Minutes of the meeting held on the 21st April 1992, be confirmed and signed by the Chairman:-

Page 2 FINANCE 4. Bus halter to read Bus shelter

## MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

There were no items under this heading.

## APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

#### a. Recreation Committee

4/92 <u>RESOLVED:-</u> 1. That the Constitution of the Committee be The Chairman plus 4 Councillors, and

2. That Mesdames N M Goodier and J Witter and Messrs M J Goodier and S Trippier be appointed to serve on the Committee for the year 1992/93.

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## b. Allotments Committee

It was moved and seconded that Mr S Trippier be appointed to the Allotments Committee. It was pointed out, however, that Mr Trippier currently worked one of the allotments and there may be a conflict of interests if he was to become a member of the Committee.

On a show of hands, Mr Trippier received 4 votes in favour of his appointment and 4 votes were cast against his appointment. The Chairman decided not to use his casting vote and the proposal was declared NOT CARRIED.

5/92 <u>RESOLVED</u>:- 1. That the Constitution of the Committee be The Chairman plus 4 Councillors, and

2. That Mrs J Witter and Messrs P Bannister, L H Greenwood and J Hodson be appointed to serve on the Committee for the year 1992/93.

## c. Footpaths Committee

6/92 <u>RESOLVED:-</u> 1. That the Constitution of the Committee be 3 Councillors, and

2. That Mrs D M Trippier and Messrs J Hodson and J Jackson be appointed to serve on the Committee for the year 1992/93.

## APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES

7/92 RESOLVED:- That the following appointments be made for the year 1992/93:-

1. LANCS. ASSOCIATION OF PARISH & TOWN COUNCILS (WEST LANCS. AREA COMMITTEE)

Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Mrs N M Goodier

2. PARISH COUNCILS JOINT LIAISON COMMITTEE

Chairman with Mrs N M Goodier as substitute.

3. LAYFIELD CHARITY

Mrs D M Trippier

4. VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

Mrs L Kershaw

5. LANCASHIRE PLAYING FIELDS ASSOCIATION

Mrs J Witter

6. COUNCIL FOR PROTECTION OF RURAL ENGLAND

Mr S Trippier

#### CORRESPONDENCE

## 1. District Council

- a. <u>Parish Council Election</u> The Notice of Poll and the Election Results were noted.
  - b. Agendas & Minutes There were no items affecting this Parish.

## 2. Crossroads Care Attendant Scheme

8/92 <u>RESOLVED:</u>— That Mr J Jackson be appointed to attend the AGM of the Scheme on Monday 29th June 1992 at Ormskirk at 7.30pm.

## 3. Mr Colin Pickthall MP

It was reported that Mr Pickthall wished to continue to receive a copy of the Minutes of meetings, that he would try to attend the occasional meeting and be receptive to lobbying by members of the Parish Council whenever it was appropriate.

## 4. Publications

Copies of the Local Council Review and Countrywise had been received.

## 5. Youth Information Service

The service wished to visit the parish with a mobile exhibition during the summer months and was seeking a site.

The Clerk was requested to advise the Service that an approach should be made to H Alty Ltd about spare land in the village centre.

#### 6. LAP&TC - Newsletter

The contents were noted and it was reported that a Training Day would be held on Saturday, 13th June 1992 at a cost of £20 per person.

9/92 <u>RESOLVED:-</u> That the three new Councillors, Mrs N M Goodier, Mr J Jackson and Mr S Trippier be authorised to attend the Training Day

#### 7. Good Neighbour Scheme

A copy of the Annual Report had been received and copies had been given to all Councillors.

## FINANCE

## 1. Accounts for payment

10/92 RESOLVED:- That the following accounts be paid:-

a.	CPRE - Annual Subscription	£ 12.00
b.	LAP&TC - Annual Subscription	£ 170.06
C.	LAP&TC - Training Course Fees	£ 60.00
d.	D Ward Esq Cleaning bus shelters	£ 28.00

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## 2. Receipts

The following amounts had been received:-

- a. Lancashire County Council Bus shelter grant £ 300.00
- b. West Lancs. District Council Precept £4380.00
- c. West Lancs. District Council ½ Concurrent expenditure £ 675.00

## 3. Application for Grant

11/92 RESOLVED:- That a Grant of £30 be made to the Over 60's Club for the year 1992/93.

## PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr J R Foster raised a number of issues as follows:-

a. <u>Community Charge</u> Will the £17 surcharge be refunded to chargepayers when the charge has been collected from non payers?

The Chairman replied that the Council was having to borrow money to make up for any shortfall caused by non payers and the surcharge was to pay interest on the money borrowed.

- b. <u>District Council Clerical Staff</u> A question about the increased staff should be taken up with the new District Councillor.
- c. <u>Station Road Play Area</u> There was subsidence in the new concrete, broken bottles appearing regularly on the area and the seat was again broken.

It was suggested that the Recreation Committee look at these items in the near future.

#### PLANNING MATTERS

## 1. Weekly lists

12/92 RESOLVED:- That no comments be made on these applications:-

- a. No 08/92/0368 Modification of condition 3 imposed on No 08/88/0243 (parking of 2 lorries and 1 trailer) to allow parking of 1 additional lorry, 3 tractor units and 3 trailers Land at rear of 143 Moss Lane.
- b. No 08/92/0380 Reserved matters Detached dormer bungalow and garage Land adjacent to 43 Boundary Lane.
- c. No 08/92/0420 Overnight & weekend parking of 1 vehicle in connection with Light Haulage Business 255 Moss Lane.
- d. No 08/92/0397 New external leaf of brickwork, re-roofing with existing slates, new windows and doors 209/213 Chapel Road.
- e. <u>Goods Vehicle Operating Licence</u> B Heaton, 177 Moss Lane 1 vehicle.

- 2. Planning Control Sub-Committee 21st May 1992
- 13/92 RESOLVED:- That no Further comments be made on these applications:-
- a. No D8/91/1198 O/L Agricultural Buildings (inc. details of siting) Hesketh Lodge, Dib Road (Recommendation Approval).
- b. No 08/92/0165 New vehicular access 390 Moss Lane (Recommendation Approval)
- c. No 08/92/0166 O/L Replacement detached dwelling & garage Adj. to 390 Moss Lane (Recommendation Approval)
- d. No 08/92/0225 Agricultural building for tractors, implements and crops Anadale, Shore Road (Recommendation Approval)

The following had been approved since the last meeting:-

No~08/92/0298~- Attached double garage at rear - Sunnydale, Marsh Road.

## 3. Other matters

a. Appeal The following appeal had been lodged:-

Application No 08/91/1164 - Retention of Produce Distribution Centre and parking of 4 haulage vehicles - 410 Moss Lane

b. <u>'Hourwatch' site</u> It was reported that a survey had been undertaken a few weeks ago as there was no accurate plan of the site. Also, the application for the access was being processed.

#### HIGHWAYS MATTERS

- 1. Bus shelter grants 1992/93 The County Council were again inviting applications for grants for new and replacement bus shelters.
- 14/92 <u>RESOLVED</u>:- That application be made for a grant of 50% of the cost of replacing the shelter on Shore Road, outside the Recreation Ground on the Southport side of the road.
- 2. <u>Litter bins, seats etc.</u> A catalogue had been received from Glasdon's of Blackpool.
- 3. Grass cutting It was reported that the grass verges required doing as a matter of urgency and the Chairman and Clerk had been authorised to deal with the matter. The Chairman had contacted the District Council's Contractor, Brophy's who had visited the site, had undertaken to do the first cut, and forward a price for the work for the rest of the year. The work should have been done by this meeting but the contractor had not appeared in the Parish.
- 15/92 <u>RESOLVED:</u> That the Chairman be authorised to contact Brophy's regarding this work, and the Chairman and Clerk be authorised to accept a reasonable price for the work to be done throughout the summer.

It was suggested that Mr M Baxter may be able to cut the Recreation Ground: surrounds.

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- 4. <u>Streetcleaning</u> It was reported that Mr Foster would be doing the gutters on Shore Road, between the Brow and the School, this week.
- 5. Parking of HGV's It was suggested that this was a matter for the police who should be asked to visit the site when the vehicle was parked without lights.

## RECREATION GROUND AND PLAY AREAS

#### 1. Recreation Ground

- a. <u>Maintenance of Playing Field</u> The Headteacher of the School had indicated that the Grounds Maintenance Contract had been devolved to the School Managers. The contract was the same with the addition of marking out a Five-a-side pitch for the school but in future additional work would not be done by the Contractor.
- b. Play equipment Cornhill Insurance had quoted a fee of £65 to inspect sites with 1 to 3 items, and £75 for sites with 4 to 6 items.
- 16/92 <u>RESOLVED:-</u> 1. That an Inspection Agreement be not entered into with Cornhill Insurance,
- 2. That Mr S Trippier be authorised to carry out weekly inspections of the play equipment in the current financial year, and Mr M J Goodier be authorised to carry out the weekly inspections in the financial year 1993/94.
- 3. That the Recreation Committee be requested to inspect the roundabout as soon as possible.
- c. <u>Boys Football Club</u> The Football Club had requested a meeting towards the end of May to discuss the Draft Lease for land at the Recreation Ground.
- 17/92 <u>RESOLVED:-</u> 1. That Mr M J Goodier be appointed Chairman of the Recreation Committee and authorised to arrange a meeting with the Boys Football Club,
- 2. That the offer of Mrs L Kershaw to type the Draft Lease be accepted to enable an early meeting to be held.
- 2. Glenpark Drive Play Area There were no items relating to this play area.
- 3. Station Road Play Area The Clerk had written to Russell Leisure regarding the performance of the Company. The fence was due to be erected as the next installation job by the company. Mr T Russell was carrying out an in-house investigation before meeting the Chairman and Clerk. The Clerk undertook to speak to Mr T Russell about the subsidence on the new concrete as reported in Public Participation.
- 18/92 RESOLVED:- That the Recreation Committee be authorised to inspect the site as soon as possible.

SMP Playgrounds offered a free design service together with a full supply and installation service for new playground equipment.

#### **ALLOTMENTS**

It was reported that the ditch had been finished. Mr S Trippier had applied for an allotment. It was anticipated that the Allotments Committee would meet more often than in the past.

19/92 <u>RESOLVED:-</u> 1. That Mr P Bannister be appointed Chairman of the Allotments Committee,

2. That Mr S Trippier be placed on the Waiting List for an allotment (N.B. Mr Trippier will become No 1 on the list).

## BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION

Mr M J Goodier reported that he had now received the posters and a number of hanging baskets had appeared outside shops in the village.

Mr J Jackson reported that the Probation Service would be starting work outside the Village Hall this week.

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## HESKETH - WITH - BECCONSALL PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON THE 15th JUNE 1992

## PRESENT:- Mr P J Handley (Chairman)

Mesdames N M Goodier; L Kershaw; D M Trippier and J Witter

Messrs P Bannister; M J Goodier; L Greenwood; J Jackson and S Trippier

One member of the public was present.

APOLOGIES FROM MRJ. HODSON

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## **MINUTES**

20/92 <u>RESOLVED:</u>— That the Minutes of the meeting held on the 18th May 1992 be approved and signed by the Chairman.

## MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

LAP&TC Training day The three new Councillors had attended this day and found it useful.

## CORRESPONDENCE

- 1. District Council
- a. <u>Development & Amenities Committee</u> The Northern Parishes Local Plan was to be adopted with effect from the 1st July 1992.
  - 2. County Council There were no items to report.
  - Other Matters
    - a. LAP&TC
- 1. <u>Clerks Training Seminar</u> This would be held in July and the Clerk would not be able to attend.
- 2. <u>Village Sports Information Pack</u> It was agreed to request two copies, one for the Clerk and the other for Mr J Jackson.
- 3. Lancashire Handbook The Handbook had been received and it was agreed to request the Update Service at a cost of £5.00

## FINANCE

1. Accounts for payment

21/92 RESOLVED:- That the following accounts be paid:-

a.	Russell Leisure Products Ltd - New fence	£	1240.80
b.	North West Water - Water charges	£	12.53
C.	Village Hall Committee – Flagging	£	86.26
d.	Village Hall Committee - Rental and donation	£	180.00
e.	Community Council of Lancashire – Handbook update	£	5.00

## 2. Receipts

West Lancashire District Council - Street Cleaning - £1601.92

3. <u>Insurance</u> The new policy had been received and the cost of the additional months cover upto the renewal date of 1st June was £11.85

22/92 <u>RESOLVED:-</u> That an additional premium of £11.85 be paid to Cornhill Insurance to cover the extra months cover upto the Annual Renewal Date of 1st June in each year.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION There were no items under this heading.

## PLANNING MATTERS

- 1. Weekly Lists
- 23/92 RESOLVED:- That no comments be made on the following applications:-
- a. No 08/92/0470 Substitution of house type on plot 29 (Amendment of 08/91/0364) Plot 29, off Chapel Road
- b. No 08/92/0522 Proposed 11,000 HV O/H line reinforcement Land at Guide Road
- c. No 08/92/0546 Removal of agricultural occupancy condition 135 Moss Lane
- d. No 08/92/0556 Single-storey extensions to side and rear
   7 Moss Lane
  - 2. Planning Control Sub-Committee

24/92 RESOLVED:- That no further comments be made on this application:-

 $\frac{\text{No }08/92/0420}{\text{light haulage business}}$  - 255 Moss Lane (Recommendation - Granted with conditions i.e. Temporary to 30.6.95 and personal to Mr C Wilson)

The following had been approved since the last meeting:-

- a. No 08/92/0274 Detached house and garage inc. new pedestrian access Adjacent to 86 Moss Lane
- b. No 08/92/0242 Reserved matters Detached dwelling house and garage adjacent to 140 Moss Lane

The following appeals had been lodged:-

- a. No 08/91/1164 G & A Produce Retention of produce distribution centre incl. parking of 4 vehicles 410 Moss Lane
- b. No E92/05 G J Croskell Use of site for a produce distribution business & parking of haulage vehicles 410 Moss Lane

## HIGHWAYS MATTERS

1. <u>Grass cutting</u> Mr M Goodier reported that he had contacted Parbold Parish Council about their contractor and had subsequently spoken to T & B Landscape Associates Ltd who had submitted a written quotation as follows:-

First cut - £ 185.00 excluding VAT

5 monthly cuts - £ 75.00 per month excluding VAT

Mr Goodier had contacted a number of Parish Councillors and the Clerk and it had been agreed to accept the quotation. The first cut had now been done.

- 25/92 RESOLVED: 1. That the action of Mr Goodier in accepting the quotation by T & B Landscape Associates Ltd be confirmed,
- 2. That the account for the first cut in the sum of £ 185.00 plus VAT be paid,
- 3. That a Vote of Thanks be extended to Mr M Goodier for all his work in arranging this contract.
- 2. Bus shelter replacement The Council's application had been acknowledged.
- 3. <u>Titmouse</u> It was reported that grass was growing between the cobbles on Titmouse and it was agreed to ask Mr J R Foster to apply weedkiller to the affected area.

## RECREATION GROUND AND PLAY AREAS

#### 1. Recreation Ground

a. Meeting with Boys FC This would be held tomorrow night when a number of issues would be discussed.

The agreement for the lease of land to the Club had been typed and a number of issues were agreed as follows:-

1. The land measured 28ft  $\times$  28ft and extra land could be used on the South side subject to the footpath up the bank not being obstructed.

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2. The annual charge to be £5 per year subject to annual  $P \rightarrow H$  review.

3. At the present time the Council paid the water charges, it was agreed that the Council would still be responsible for the Standing Charge for water but that the Club would be responsible for the water used in the changing rooms. In addition, it was agreed that any other services brought onto the site would be the sole responsibility of the Club.

26/92 RESOLVED:- That the terms set out at 1, 2 and 3 above be put to the Boys Football Club by the members of the Recreation Committee.

- b. Play equipment This would be inspected on Tuesday night.
- c. Shore Road hedge This required cutting and it was agreed to ask Mr J R Foster to do this work.

2. Glenpark Drive This equipment was in a poor state and would be inspected by the Recreation Committee tomorrow night.

## 3. Station Road

- a. <u>Inspection</u> This would be done by the Recreation Committee tomorrow night. It was agreed to ask the Committee to look at the problem of dogs fouling the area.
- b. Russell Leisure Products Ltd. The Chairman, Mr Goodier and the Clerk had met Mr T Russell on the site to discuss the various concerns of the Council about the recent work undertaken by the Company. Mr Russell took note of all the points raised and apologised for the slow performance of the Company on this contract. The Company had already returned to the site to stabalise the chain bridge and he undertook to restick the tile which was seen to be lifting at the end of the slide.

Whilst at the site, the seat had been discussed with Mr Russell who had undertaken to submit a price for a replacement seat using 4" timber and Mr Russell also said he would allow a generous discount on this item. The Clerk reported that a quotation in the sum of £ 171 plus VAT had subsequently been received for this work.

Mention had been made of the new fence and Mr Russell had assured those: present that the timber had been treated with CCA which was guaranteed for 50 years. Any further application to the timber would be for cosmetic purposes only.

27/92 <u>RESOLVED:</u>— That the Recreation Committee be authorised to look at the various possibilities in relation to the repair or replacement of the seat and to take such action as they deemed appropriate.

c. Weedspraying It was agreed to ask Mr J R Foster to apply suitable weedspray under the equipment to stop the weeds coming through the gaps in the safety tiles.

#### BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION

Mr Goodier reported that judging had started, several shops had already been given posters for display and the rest would be circulated this week.

## HESKETH - WITH - BECCONSALL PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON THE 13th JULY 1992

## PRESENT:- Mr P J Handley (Chairman)

Mesdames N M Goodier; D M Trippier and J Witter

Messrs P Bannister; M J Goodier; L Greenwood; J Jackson and S Trippier.

Apologies were received from Mrs L Kershaw and Mr J Hodson and 6 members of the Press and public were present.

## MINUTES

28/92 RESOLVED:- That subject to the following amendments, the Minutes of the meeting held on the 15th June 1992 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman:-

(i) The addition of apologies received from Mr J Hodson,

(ii) Page 3 Recreation Ground - issue No 2 'The annual

charge' to read 'the annual rental'

(iii)Page 2 Planning application No 08/92/0274 - 'haouse'
to read 'house'.

## MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

There were no items under this heading.

## CORRESPONDENCE

#### 1. District Council

#### a. Agendas

Development & Amenities Committee It was noted that in respect of the monitoring of the Street Cleaning contracts in the Parishes the unsatisfactory work was less than 1%. It was also noted that in respect of Grounds Maintenance contract undertaken by Brophy's the unsatisfactory work was 87% and payments were being withheld.

- b. West Lancashire Project Details of Europe Week were noted.
- 2. County Council There were no items under this heading.

#### 3. Other matters

a. <u>Ribble CURE</u> A copy of a report on Radioactive Pollution in the Ribble River had been received and it was agreed to pass it to Mrs L Kershaw who had been nominated at the AGM of the West Lancashire Area Committee of the LAP&TC to serve on the Liaison Committee for BFNL Springfields and the walk of the administral.

b. LAP&TC West Lancs. Area Committee A report on the meeting was given by Mrs D M Trippier. The Council noted that all the Officers had been re-elected, that details of con-current expenditure should now be with the District Council, applications for grants had to be in by 15th September 1992, that videos of the National Conference were available, that the CCL had appointed a Rural Sports Development Officerand the County Association were to conduct a survey on services given by parish councils.

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## FINANCE

of £30.

## 1. Accounts for payment

29/92 RESOLVED:- That the following accounts be paid:-

a.	B W Rimmer Esq	<ul> <li>Salary &amp; expenses</li> </ul>	£ 431.19
ь.		<ul> <li>Cutting back hedges</li> </ul>	£ 25.00
	Village Hall -		£ 15.00
		d - Repairs to seat	£ 119.45

In respect of the last item, it was reported that the Recreation Committee had looked at the seat, the estimate for replacement from Russell Leisure Products and the possibility of a repair being undertaken by Douglas Boatyard and had decided, in accordance with the authority granted at the last meeting, to place an order for repair with Douglas Boatyard.

- 2. <u>Donations</u> It was agreed to make a decision on donations later in the year.
- 3. <u>Annual Audit</u> This would take place in August with the books on deposit from 28th July to 5th August 1992 inclusive.

## PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr J R Foster asked if there was a drugs problem in Hesketh Bank and Mr Goodier indicated that he had spoken to a number of young people in the village from which it appeared there was no problem in Hesketh Bank. It was suggested, however, that there was a problem around the Lilford Public House in Tarleton.

Members of the Boys FC Committee attended the meeting and it was agreed to bring forward Item 8.1(b) which was a report on the meeting with the Boys FC.

## RECREATION GROUND AND PLAY AREAS

#### 1. Recreation Ground

b. Meeting with Boys FC Mr M Trippier reported on the meeting between the Recreation Committee and the Boys FC when the proposed lease had been discussed. The Club were wanting to erect a building of 30' x 30' on the edge of the playing area to include changing facilities, showers and kitchen. The quarterly water charges would continue to be paid by the Parish Council with the Club responsible for water consumed and all other charges for utilities. The Club asked for a break clause in the lease and had no objection to the school and other organisations using the facilities. Subject to the Council agreeing to the proposed site and the Club obtaining planning permission, the Club would meet the cost of moving the existing play equipment if that was necessary.

The Public Participation part of the meeting was then resumed.

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## PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (CONT).

Mr J Wignall of the Boys FC thanked the members of the Recreation Committee for being so helpful and indicated that since the meeting, the Club had re-assessed the situation in the light of information received that Tarleton Parish Council had applied for and received a grant of £23000 to undertake extensions to the existing changing facilities. The whole deal had been concluded in one month. The Boys FC wondered if this Council could obtain a similar grant in respect of facilities on the Recreation Ground. It was indicated that in those circumstances, the Parish Council would have full control of the use for the facilities and would need to consider such a proposal alongside other requirements in the parish. The point was also made that there were two sports fields in Hesketh Bank. The major one was in private ownership with the minor field owned by the Council. The Boys FC felt that a sum of between £25000 and £30000 would be required to provide the type of facilities envisaged.

The Chairman, thanked the Boys FC for attending the meeting, and indicated that an item would be placed on the agenda for the next meeting of the Council to enable further consideration of the request to be given after members of the Council had been able to give some thought to the matter.

#### PLANNING MATTERS

## 1. Weekly lists

30/92 RESOLVED:- (1) That no comments be made on the following applications:-

- a. No 08/92/0584 Single storey domestic extension to rear elevation 42 Glenpark Drive,
- b. No 08/92/0627 0/L detached bungalow & new vehicular/pedestrian access 188 Moss Lane,
- c. No 08/92/0612 1st floor extension to side including dormer windows at front & rear 1 Fairwinds Avenue,
- d. No 08/92/0625 2 storey extension including new pitched roofs at rear Briercroft, 115 Moss Lane,
- e. <u>No 08/92/0630</u> O/L detached agricultural workers' bungalow Nursery, adjacent 'Cedars', Boundary Meanygate,
- f. No 08/92/0651 Dormer bathroom extension & detached double garage Dunkirk Farmhouse, 'Lambourne', Shore Road,
- g. No 08/92/0671 O/L agricultural workers' dwelling Hesketh Locage, Dib Road,
- (2) That in respect of the following application, the comments shown be forwarded to the Director of Development & Amenities:-
- $\underline{\text{No }08/92/0633}$  0/L 6 detached dwellings ( including details of siting and means of access) land adj. to The Barn, Becconsall Lane

The Parish Council oppose this development on the grounds that it is in BS3 land in the Northern Parishes District Plan and the character of the area should be preserved.

- 2. <u>Planning Control Sub-Committee 16th July 1992</u> The Clerk reported that the Agenda for the meeting had not been received and Mr Goodier had also not received his agenda.
- 31/92 <u>RESOLVED</u>:- That the Chairman, Mr M Goodier and the Clerk be authorised to comment on any applications included on the agenda if they deem it to be appropriate.

3. Northern Parishes Local Plan This would be adopted on or after 31st July 1992.

## 4. Other matters

Residential caravan - Hesketh Bank Sports Field

32/92 <u>RESOLVED:</u> That the Clerk be requested to ask The Sports Company about their plans for the residential caravan parked behind the changing hut on the Station Road Sports Field.

## HIGHWAYS MATTERS

Station Road Mr Goodier undertake to deal with broken street sign at The Brow in consultation with the District Council

## RECREATION GROUND AND PLAY AREAS

## 1. Recreation Ground

a. <u>Equipment Inspection</u> Mr Goodier reported that two tiles under the swings needed resticking, the roundabout had been temporarily repaired and the equipment needed repainting.

It had not been possible to remove the roundabout and so repairs would need to be undertaken on site. An estimate had been obtained from Mr N Marsden as follows:-

Replace timber with softwood - £ 187.00 Replace timber with hardwood - £ 237.00 inc, treating

- 33/92 <u>RESOLVED:</u> 1. That an order be placed with Mr N Marsden for the repair of the roundabout using hardwood at a cost of £237.00 subject to the actual wood to be used being agreed by a Sub-Committee consisting of the Chairman, the Clerk, Mr M Goodier and Mr S Trippier,
- 2. That an estimate be obtained for repainting the equipment for consideration at a future meeting of the Council,
- 3. That the question of resticking the tiles be considered at a future meeting of the Council.

## 2. Glenpark Drive

- a. <u>Equipment Inspection</u> Mr Goodier reported that large sections of the timber should be removed immediately as they were in a dangerous condition and that in the long term consideration should be given to replacement with non-wooden equipment. One suggestion was for 2/3 large sewage pipes to be place on the site for use as play equipment.
- 34/92 <u>RESOLVED:-</u> 1. That approval be given to the immediate removal of the dangerous timber,
- 2. That the Recreation Committee be requested to bring forward some suggested long term plans for the area to a future meeting of the Council

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- 3. Station Road Area Mr Goodier reported that the tile had been fixed and the decision with regard to the seat reported earlier in the meeting. Additional turf wes required around the chain bridge and it was suggested that this should be done later in the year. It would also be possible to change the swings around. Other items suggested by the Recreation Committee as being desirable were: a litter bin, repair of the chain link fence and the wooden fence owned by the County Council and the provision of a sign to signify ownership of the area.
- 35/92 <u>RESOLVED:-</u> 1. That additional turf be placed around the chain bridge later in the year and the Recreation Committee be authorised to make the necessary arrangements,
- 2. That no objection be given to the swings being changed around with arrangements again being made by the Recreation Committee,
- 3. That Mr Goodier be requested to ask the District Council to provide a litter bin on this play area to be emptied by Mr Foster,
- 4. That the County Council be advised of the current state of the wooden fence on the bridge and asked for suggestions with regard to measures which could be taken to prevent children climbing over the fence to reach the play area,
- 5. That agreement in principle be given to the provision of a sign to signify ownership of the area subject to the Recreation Committee bringing an estimate to a future meeting of the Council.

#### **ALLOTMENTS**

Mr P Bannister reported on the Inspection undertaken by the Allotments Committee. All were in reasonable condition with no complaints from any of the tenants. The bottom end of the ditch adjacent to Plot No 20 required cleaning but it was suggested that the Parish Council were not responsible for that ditch. The Clerk undertook to bring previous correspondence on this subject to the next meeting of the Council.

#### **TWINNING**

A suggestion was made that the Parish may wish to consider twinning with a similar area in Denmark also it could be a major operation. It was said that information could be obtained from the Local Government International Bureau and the District Council may also be able to help. It was agreed to look into the possibilities and Mr Goodier undertook to speak to Officers of the District Council.

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## HESKETH - WITH - BECCONSALL PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON THE 10th AUGUST 1992

## PRESENT:- Mr P J Handley (Chairman)

Mesdames L Kershaw; D M Trippier and J Witter

Messrs M J Goodier; L Greenwood; J Jackson and S Trippier

Apologies were received from Mrs N M Goodier; Mr P Bannister; and Mr J Hodson and 6 members of the Press and Public were present.

## **MINUTES**

36/92 <u>RESOLVED:</u> That, subject to the following amendments, the Minutes of the meeting held on the 13th July 1992, be confirmed and signed by the Chairman:

- (i) Page 1 Item re- Ribble CURE the addition at the end of the item of " and it is hoped she will be appointed".
  - (ii) Page 2 Item on Meeting with Boys FC -(a) Line 1 Mr M Trippier to read Mr M Goodier
  - (b) Line 5 'water charges' to read 'water standing charges'

(iii)Page 3 Item on Public Participation - Line 9 'fo' to read 'of'.

#### MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

There were no items under this heading.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

- 1. District Council A number of agendas and minutes were noted.
- 2. Other Matters
  - a. Lancs. Assoc. of Parish & Town Councils
- 1.  $\underline{\text{Courses}}$  Details of various courses for Councillors and Clerks were noted.
  - Newsletter The following were noted:-
  - A. The AGM will be held on Saturday, 28th November 1992
- B. Review of Local Government Leaflets and a Questionnaire had been received.

It was agreed to fill in the questionnaire on the basis that there should be 14 Unitary Authorities based on the existing Districts with Parish Councils being given additional powers where appropriate and desired

C. A copy  $\operatorname{\mathfrak{ef}}$  a Local Charity magazine was passed to Mrs D M Trippier

- B. A copy of the Local Council Review had been received.
- b.  $\underline{\text{Countrywise Magazine}}$  The latest edition was passed to Mr S Trippier.
- c. Racial Abuse Dr R K Gulati had forwarded a copy of a letter he had given to all his patients regarding an incident of racial abuse involving his son.
- 37/92 <u>RESOLVED:</u> That the Clerk be requested to send a letter to Dr Gulati extending the sympathy of the Council to him and his family and supporting his stance against incidents of this nature.
- d. Olympic Games It was reported that Richard Priestman of Delta Park Drive had won a Bronze Medal for Archery.

38/92 <u>RESOLVED:</u> That a letter of congratulations be forwarded to Mr Richard Priestman.

## FINANCE

## 1. Accounts for Payment

39/92 RESOLVED:- That the following accounts be paid:-

- a. Lancs. Playing Fields Assoc. Subscription £ 10.00
- b. T & B Landscape Assoc. Ltd Grass cutting £ 88.13
- 2. Annual Audit The books were now with the Auditor.

## PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

## 1. New Changing Facilities - Recreation Ground

Mr J Wignall of the Boys FC outlined details of grants available to voluntary organisations and indicated that the Club felt that the Parish Council should be the owners of the building. It was indicated by the Council that Warleton had originally applied for a grant 3 years ago and that there were already 2 'C' Schemes in the pipeline for grant from the District Council.

It was agreed that the Boys FC should meet the Recreation Committee on Wednesday evening 12th August 1992.

## 2. Law and Order in Hesketh Bank

Mr J R Foster asked what the Council were doing to communicate with young people as it appeared that they were content for law and order to get worse.

The Chairman said that is was the duty of residents to pass on information to the police and he hoped that Mr Foster would take such action when appropriate.

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## PLANNING MATTERS

- 1. Weekly Lists The following were considered:-
- 40/92 RESOLVED:- That no comments be made on the following applications:-
- A. No 08/92/0707 Reserved matters Phase 1 Erection of 27 dwellings & new vehicular/pedestrian access, Land at Station Road
- B. No 08/92/0698 Erection of detached bungalow & garage & new vehicular access, Land adj. 390 Moss Lane
- C. No 08/92/0732 Substitution of house type detached house & garage (amendment to No 08/91/0721), Plot 26 Pardoe Close
- D. No 08/92/0734 Single storey domestic extension to side elevation, 1 Meadway
- E. No 08/92/0748 Attached conservatory & double garage to rear/side elevation, 169 Moss Lane
- 2. Planning Control Sub-Committee 16th July 1992 The following were noted:-
- A. No 08/92/0420 Overnight & weekend parking of one vehicle in connection with light haulage business, 255 Moss Lane (Recomm. Granted)
- B. No 08/92/0612 1st floor extension to side including dormer window at front and rear, 1 Fairwinds Avenue (Recomm. Granted)
- C. No 08/92/0386 Modification of condition 3 imposed on No 08/88/0243 (Parking of 2 lorries & 1 trailer) to allow parking of additional lorry, 3 tractor units and 3 trailers, Rear of 143 Moss Lane (Recomm. Refused)
- D. No 08/92/0395 O/L residential development & new vehicular/pedestrian access (including details of means of access), Land at 111/113 Station Road (Recomm. Delgated to Director of Development & Amenities to grant subject to Section 106 agreement under Town & Country Planning Act 1990)
- E. No 08/92/0546 Removal of agricultural occupancy condition, 135 Moss Lane (Recomm. Granted)
- F. Planning Appeal Lodged E91/39 Use of land for siting of a residential caravan, 140 Station Road To be dealt with by Local Inquiry
- 3. Planning Control Sub-Committee 13th August 1992 The following were considered:-
- 41/92 RESOLVED:- That no comments be made on these applications:-

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- A. No 08/92/0627 O/L detached bungalow & new vehicular/pedestrian access, 188 Moss Lane (Recomm. Granted)
- B. No 08/92/0633 0/L 6 detached dwellings (including details of siting & means of access), Land adj. 'The Barn', Becconsall Lane (Recomm. Refused)
- C. No 08/92/0630 O/L detached agricultural workers' dwelling, Nursery adj. 'Cedars', Boundary Meanygate (Recomm. Refused)
- D. No 08/92/0671 O/L erection of agricultural workers' dwelling, Hesketh Lodge, Dib Road (Recomm. Granted with conditions)

## Applications determined by Dir. of Development & Amenities

## The following were noted:-

- A. No 08/92/0470 Substitution of house type, Plot 29 Pardoe Close
- B. No 08/92/0355 Detached double garage & hobby room, Westleigh, Shore Road
- C. No 08/92/0522 Proposed 11,000 HV O/H line reinforcement, Guide Road
- D. No 08/92/0584 Single storey domestic extension to rear elevation, 42 Glenpark Drive
- E. No 08/92/0380 Reserved matters Detached dormer bungalow, Adj. 43 Boundary Lane
- F. No 08/92/0397 New external leaf of brickwork, re-roofing with existing slates, new windows & doors, 209/213 Chapel Road
- G. No 08/92/0556 Single storey extensions to side & rear, 7 Moss Lane

## 4. Other matters

- 1. <u>Hesketh Bank Sports Field</u> The Sports Company had responded to the Council's letter by indicating that the caravan had been sited without permission and the Football Club had been instructed to remove it and reply promptly.
- 2. <u>Northern Parishes Local Plan</u> The Plan had been adopted on the 31st July 1992.

## HIGHWAY MATTERS

- 1. Bus shelters The County Council had approved a grant for a new shelter.
- 42/92 <u>RESOLVED:</u> A. That Merseybus be requested to provide an estimate for the erection of a new shelter on Shore Road outside the entrance to the Recreation Ground,
- B. That Merseybus be requested to provide an estimate for replacing a pane of glass in the shelter opposite Chapel Road on Shore Road (To Preston side),
- C. That Merseybus be requested to provide an estimate for repainting the metal bus shelters in the parish,
- D. That the Chairman and Clerk be authorised to accept the estimates for  $A^{\dot\alpha}B$  above if the prices appear reasonable.

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## 2. Other matters

- a. <u>Station Road/The Brow</u> Action was in hand in respect of this sign.
- b. Accident on Station Road Mr Goodier reported an accident involving his brother on which the police had not taken action. Other concerns were also expressed about policing in the parish.
- 43/92 <u>RESOLVED:</u> That Inspector Taylor from Ormskirk be invited to attend the next meeting of the Parish Council, or if that is inconvenient, the meeting after the next.

#### RECREATION GROUND AND PLAY AREAS

## 1. Recreation Ground

a. Equipment The Insurance Company had inspected the equipment and noted the roundabout was damaged and should be taken out of immediate use and the chains on the large swings should be replaced, 5 within 1 month and the rest within 3 months.

Mr Goodier had obtained estimates for repairs to the roundabout using 4 different woods and for repainting all the equipment.

- 44/92 RESOLVED:- 1. That an order be placed with Mr N Marsden for the repair of the roundabout using Redwood at a cost of £ 207.00
- 2. That an order be placed with Mr N Marsden for repainting the equipment at a labour charge of £ 262.50 plus the cost of suitable paint
- b. New changing facilities The meeting would be held on Wednesday evening and the Chairman suggested that reference in correspondence should be made to Community Changing facilities rather than reference just to football changing rooms.
- 45/92 RESOLVED:- 1. That the Clerk be requested to seek information on grants for the Parish Council from the LAP&TC,
- 2. That application be made to the West Lancashire Area Committee of the LAP&TC for a 'C' Scheme for the changing facilities at an order of cost of £30,000

#### 2. Glenpark Drive

Equipment The dangerous nails had been removed and the timber would be removed shortly. With regard to the long term, it was noted that a verbal undertaking had been given to the adjoining residents that equipment on this site would be for small children only.

46/92 <u>RESOLVED:-</u> That Mr Goodier be authorised to arrange for Mr Russell to visit the site with a view to giving the Council some suggestions for equipment on this site.

## 3. Station Road

a. Equipment The Insurance Company had nothing to report.

- b. <u>Litter bin</u> The District Council would re-site a bin adjacent to the seat. Mr Goodier was asked to request the provision of a dog toilet on this site.
- c. <u>Fence alongside the Bridge</u> The County Council would repair the broken rails and had suggested the planting of unfriendly shrubs on the embankment or a thorn hedge adjacent to the fence.
- 47/92 <u>RESOLVED:</u> That a Quick Thorn hedge be planted and Mrs L Kershaw be authorised to bring a price to the next meeting of the Council.
  - d. Equipment inspection service Details were noted.

## **ALLOTMENTS**

The Clerk reported that North West Water had indicated in 1989 that riparian owners were jointly responsible for clearing watercourses alongside their land.

48/92 <u>RESOLVED:</u> That the Allotments Committee be requested to discuss the principle involved and bring a recommendation to the next meeting of the Council.

## **TWINNING**

Mr Goodier reported that The British Council could supply information on Town Twinning and would even try to find a suitable 'Twin'.

49/92 <u>RESOLVED:</u> That the Clerk be authorised to obtain information on twinning from The British Council.

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## HESKETH - WITH - BECCONSALL PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of meeting held on the 7th September 1992

## PRESENT:- Mr P J Handley (Chairman)

Mesdames N M Goodier; L Kershaw; D M Trippier and J Witter

Messrs P Bannister and S Trippier

Apologies were received from Messrs M J Goodier; L Greenwood; J Hodson and J Jackson

Four members of the press and public were also present

## **MINUTES**

50/92 <u>RESOLVED:</u> That the Minutes of the meeting held on the 10th August 1992, be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

## MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

There were no items under this heading.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

- 1. District Council A number of agendas had been received.
- 2. <u>County Council</u> The latest 'Tidy Up Lancashire'leaflet had been received.
- 3. Lancs. Assoc. of Parish & Town Councils The latest Newsletter had been received and the 'Centenary Appeal' was mentioned. Mrs Kershaw reported that there was not much enthusiasm in West Lancashire and the Chairman felt that the Council may wish to celebrate the event in 1994 and could discuss the matter nearer the time.
- 4. <u>Community Council of Lancashire</u> The latest magazine had been received.

The Chairman had some leaflets on the forthcoming Local Government Review which he felt were worthy of being read by other members of the Council.

## FINANCE

Accounts for payment

51/92 RESOLVED:- That the following accounts be paid:-

a. T & Landscapes Associates Ltd., Grasscutting £ 88.13 b. Municipal Mutual Insurance Ltd., Fragmentation Policy in respect of play equipment £ 88.96

At this point Inspector D Taylor of Lancashire Constabulary arrived.

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# POLICING IN HESKETH BANK (PC G Wilson was also in attendance for this item)

Inspector Taylor started by indicating that he was only present because Inspector Norris, who had responsibility for this area, had suffered a broken leg and Inspector Taylor had been brought back to cover the duties.

Inspector Taylor said that it was still the policy for the Detached Beat Officers to attend Parish Council meetings when they received advanced notification that policing matters would be discussed. In this respect PC G Wilson was still working in the area and would deal with matters when on duty. PC Wilson had moved out of the Police House which was being advertised as a detached post but similar advertisements in respect of houses at Banks and Tarleton had not yielded any applicants. Villages had been used to an Officer being on call 24 hours a day, and any calls should now be made to Ormskirk Police Station which was manned 24 hours a day and in radio contact with all patrols. If the matter was urgent then the 999 service should be used. Inspector Taylor apologised that the Council had not been informed that PC Wilson was no longer living in the house.

Mrs N Goodier recounted an incident involving her son when calls to Skelmersdale had not been answered and difficulties had been experienced with the 999 service. Also the police had asked for the injured boy to be taken to Ormskirk Police Station after receiving treatment but he was not in a fit state to make a statement. Inspector Taylor could not answer the specific points raised and felt he would need to talk to Mrs Goodier at another time.

Inspector Taylor said that 4 villages each had their own Detached Beat Officer with additional cover provided by 4 men in a mobile car. The best situation was that 3 Detached Beat Officers and 1 man in the car would be on duty at any one time. He did point out that, although crime was rising, the parish had suffered less than other areas. Additional resources could be brought into the area to deal with specific problems as necessary.

Issues brought to the attention of the Officers included vandalism of the new fence on the Station Road Play Area, under age drinking, speeding through the village and a vehicle parked on the road without a tax disc. The Officers took notes of these issues which would be addressed, although the tax disc offence had been dealt with recently.

In answer to a question as to whether the Officers felt they were being let down by the Courts, it was suggested that some officers were frustrated but the Courts were also under increasing pressure with the prisons bursting to the seams.

The police were trying to encourage more community involvement and urged people to report anything that didn't look quite right. The police lived off information, whether anonymous or not but acknowledged that civilian witnesses were treated badly by the Court system.

The Chairman felt that a useful discussion had been held and thanked Inspector Taylor and PC Wilson for attending the meeting.

## FINANCE (CONT)

- 2. <u>Audit of Accounts</u> The Clerk reported the completion of the audit with no major questions asked by the Auditor.
- 3. Application for Grant Mr S Trippier reported that a request had been received from CPRE for a donation. It was agreed to defer consideration until later in the financial year.

## 4. Grants from District Council

52/92 <u>RESOLVED:</u> That an application be made via the West Lancashire Area Committee of the LAP&TC for a grant fo £1,000 in 1993/94 for the provision of play equipment, hedging and ancillary matters.

## PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mrs P Roberts reported the need for an extra light at the junction of Chapel Road and Greenfields and it was agreed to discuss this issue under Highways Matters.

Mr J R Foster reported on vandalism at the play area to the new fence. He had about 20 rails which had been broken off the fence. He asked if it would be possible to ask the Governors of the local school to involve the parents by asking them if they knew the whereabouts of their children at night. It was suggested that the culprits were older children.

## PLANNING MATTERS

- 1. Weekly lists The following were considered:-
- a. No 08/92/0759 Waste Transfer Station, land at Henry Alty Ltd.
- 53/92 <u>RESOLVED:-</u> That the Director of Development & Amenities be reminded of the long standing restrictions on what may be tipped on this site.
- b. No 08/92/0799 Single-storey domestic extension to rear elevation, Boundary Farm, Boundary Meanygate
- c. No 08/92/0800 Single -storey domestic extension to rear elevation, Boundary Farm, Boundary Meanygate
- d. <u>No 08/92/0889</u> Retention of temporary residential caravan, Boundary Farm, Boundary Meanygate
- e. No 08/92/0899 Alterations to shop and new external staircase to existing offices, 12 Station Road
- 54/92 RESOLVED:- That no comments be made on any of the above applications.
  - 2. Planning Control Sub-Committee 10th September 1992
- a. Application No 08/92/0633 O/L for 6 detached dwellings (inc. details of siting and means of access), land adj. 'The Barn', Becconsall Lane

This item had been deferred at the last meeting to enable an organised site visit to be arranged. The recommendation was for refusal.

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b. <u>Enforcement No E92/49</u> Two storage tanks, Walkers Plants, Belvedere Nurseries, Chapel Road
The recommendation was for the removal of the tanks within one month.

## c. Approved since the last meeting

- 1. No 08/91/0240 Retention of use of farm building in connection with storage of furniture and carpets, Lambourne, Shore Road
- 2. <u>No 08/92/0732</u> Substitution of house type detached house and garage, Plot 26 Pardoe Close
- 3. <u>No 08/92/0651</u> Dormer bathroom extension and detached double garage, Dunkirk Farmhouse, Lambourne, Shore Road
- 4. <u>No 08/92/0748</u> Attached conservatory & double garage, 169 Moss Lane

## d. Appeal lodged

Enforcement No E92/20 Use of land for storage of scrap vehicles, vehicle parts, plant machinery and parts, 354 Moss Lane

## e. Appeal withdrawn

Enforcement No E89/217 Use of land and building for storage of furniture and carpets, Lambourne, Shore Road

## HIGHWAYS MATTERS

1. <u>Bus shelters</u> The Chairman had met Mr Jones of Merseybus to discuss the Council's requirements.

Merseybus would provide estimates for the following:-

- 1. New shelter outside Recreation Ground entrance (Southport side)
- 2. New glass panel in Shore Road/Chapel Road shelter (Preston side)
- 3. Repainting of 2 shelters junction of Shore Road/Chapel Road

It was noted that authority had already been given to the Clerk and Chairman to deal with items 1 & 2 above.

The Chairman reported that the new shelter would be longer than the existing one and, therefore, if it was to be set back, the Council would need to arrange to remove about 3/4 feet of the hedge and level the site.

55/92 RESOLVED:- That the new bus shelter be set back onto the Council's land, as the old shelter; and that Mr J R Foster be authorised to undertake the necessary work and submit an account to the Parish Coucnil.

## 2. Street Lights

56/92 <u>RESOLVED:</u> That the County Council be requested to consider the provision of an additional street light on the corner of Chapel Raod and Greenfields on the grounds of road safety and crime prevention.

3. Street seat The seat on The Brow required new wood for the seat part.

57/92 <u>RESOLVED:</u> That the Chairman be authorised to arrange for the repair to be undertaken at a reasonable price.

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## 4. Hedges Etc.

## a. Delta Park Drive by Recreation Ground

58/92 <u>RESOLVED:-</u> That Mr J R Foster be requested to look at what requires to be done to cut back the overhanging trees to pavement level and the Chairman be authorised to accept a quotation for the work to enable it to be undertaken prior to the next meeting of the Council.

## b. Land junction of Shore Road/Guide Road

59/92 <u>RESOLVED:</u> That the Chairman to authorised to discuss with the owner of the land the question of the cutting back of a sycamore tree and arrange for the work to be done by Mr J R Foster if he considers such a course of action to be appropriate.

## c. Shore Road

60/92 <u>RESOLVED:</u> That Mr J R Foster be congratulated on the job he has recently done on the hedge in Shore Road.

## RECREATION GROUND AND PLAY AREAS

#### 1. Recreation Ground

a. Proposed new changing facilities The Clerk reported receipt of a letter from the LAP&TC which suggested that the Council could take out a loan for the provision of facilities of this nature or apply to the District Council for a grant. The Lancashire Playing Fields Association may be able to help or the CCL had a Village Projects Fund which gave grants of upto £250 to voluntary organisations. It was felt that the project would not be large enough to qualify for a grant from the Sports Council.

Another meeting had been held between the Recreation Committee and the Boys Football Club and Mr P Bannister had been invited to attend. It was reported that the Club were to apply for planning permission to put the facilities at the top of the bank adjacent to the football pitch and were also looking into the possibility of a grant from the Sports Council. The site preferred by the Boys Club would mean that the swings for the very young children would need to be moved and the Club had undertaken to pay for this to be done.

Mr Bannister had reported to the meeting that the 3 sports clubs using the Station Road facilities were negotiating to purchase the land from the Sports Company subject to a constitution for the future running of the land being agreed by all three clubs. There was also a possibility that the adjacent field could be for sale which could then be utilised to extend the facilities. Mr Bannister felt this was the perfect opportunity for all the sports clubs to come together and perhaps the Parish Council would be willing to purchase the land and act as landlords in the future. The three Clubs were to meet on the 18th September and Mr Bannister would be prepared to seek their views at that meeting.

The Clerk reminded the Council that, at the previous meeting, they had agreed to apply for a Grant for a 'C' Scheme of £30,000 for the provision of changing facilities.

- 61/92 <u>RESOLVED:-</u> (1) That approval in principle be given to the moving of the young children's swings, subject to the cost of moving, including new safety surfacing, being met by the Boys Football Club,
- (2) That approval in principle be given to the proposed site for the new changing facilities adjacent to the football pitch.
- (3) That the decision taken at the last meeting to apply for a 'C' Scheme Grant of £30,000 for the provision of changing facilities , be amended in respect of the use for the grant and that the use should be for the purchase of recreational land and/or the provision of changing facilities,
- (4) That the Parish Council will pursue the possible purchase of the Station Road Playing Fields subject to the agreement of the Cricket, Football and Bowling Clubs,
- (5) That Mr P Bannister be authorised to convey the above decision to the three Clubs and report back their views to the next meeting of the Council.
- b. Play Equipment It was reported that new chains and seats had been ordered by Mr M Goodier who would fit them with the help of Mr S Trippier.
- c. Use fo Football Pitch Hesketh Bank AFC had applied to use the pitch during the 1992/93 season on a Saturday afternoon for the third team. The reciprocal arrangement with the Boys FC would continue for the season.
- 62/92 RESOLVED:- That Hesketh Bank AFC be granted use of the football pitch on a Saturday afternoon at a cost of £20 for the season to be paid as soon as possible.
  - 2. Glenpark Drive This issue was still with Mr M Goodier.

#### 3. Station Road

- a. Litter Bin This had been requested.
- b. Rail alongside Station Road Mrs Trippier and Mrs Kershaw had both priced quickthorn hedging and the quotation obtained by Mrs Trippier was the cheapest. It was suggested 225 plants were required to be planted about 1ft apart. The cost of plants 2' to 3' high was 35 pence each. It was also suggested that some rose bushes should also be planted at particularly vulnerable points.
- 63/92 RESOLVED:- (1) That Mrs Trippier be authorised to purchase 225 quickthorn plants for planting alongside the existing fence adjacent to Station Road,
- (2) That Mrs Trippier, Mrs Kershaw and the Chairman be authorised to plant the quickthorn plants,
- (3) That a decision on the purchase of rose bushes be deferred for the time being.

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- c. Fence between play area and Becconsall Hotel land It was reported that Mr J R Foster had retrieved most of the rails which had been removed and that it was very easy to knock the rails away from the uprights of the fence.
- 64/92 RESOLVED:- (1) That the Chairman be authorised to purchase some grip fast nails to secure the remaining lengths of rail to the uprights,
- (2) That the rails already removed be not replaced for the time being and that this decision be reviewed in about 2/3 months time.

## **ALLOTMENTS**

The Allotments Committee had considered the action to be taken to secure the cleaning of the ditch adjacent to Plot 20 bearing in mind the advice received from the District Council that each landowner is responsible for clearing any ditch which runs alongside his property.

In the case in question, the ditch was shared by the Parish Council on one side and Mr H Farrington and Mr T Iddon on the other side.

The Committee suggested that the two landowners be approached by the Council and asked to contribute 25% of the cost of cleaning out the ditch with the Council meeting the remaining 50%. The Committee also suggested that, because of a current crop on plot 20, the work be undertaken in the Spring of 1993.

65/92 RESOLVED:- That the recommendation of the Allotments Committee be accepted and the Clerk be authorised to approach the two landowners concerned with a request that they each contibute 25% towards the cost of the cleaning out of the ditch adjacent to Plot No 20 with the Parish Council meeting the remaining 50% of the cost.

#### TWINNING

The Clerk had received information from the relevant organisation which included guidance on twinning and an application form and it was agreed to ask Mr P Bannister to look at the information and report on the action required at the next meeting.

# HESKETH - WITH - BECCONSALE PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON THE 5th OCTOBER 1992

## **PRESENT**

Mr P Handley (Chairman)

Mesdames N Goodier; L Kershaw; D M Trippier and J Witter

Messrs P Bannister; M J Goodier; L Greenwood; J Jackson and S Trippier

Apologies were received from  $Mr\ J$  Hodson and three members of the press and public were present.

## MINUTES

66/92 RESOLVED:- That, subject to the following amendment, the Minutes of the meeting held on the 7th September 1992 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman:-

Page 4 Resolution No 55/92 - The comma after 'shelter' in line 2 to be changed to a semi-colon.

## MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Town Twinning Mr P Bannister reported that, having read the information supplied, he did not feel that the Parish was sufficiently integrated at this moment in time to take the matter forward. There was a need for all local groups to get together to show that there was a strong will to enter into a Twinning arrangement and he believed that the necessary enthusiasm was not there. Mr M Goodier had taken soundings of a number of residents which showed that 50% were in favour of twinning, 20% were luke warm towards twinning and 30% were opposed to twinning. On that basis he felt that the issue should be left in abeyance.

67/92 RESOLVED: That no action be taken with regard to Town Twinning at this time but that the issue be discussed again in 12 months time.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

- 1. <u>District Council</u> A number of agendas had been received and there were no items affecting this Parish Council.
- 2. <u>West Lancashire Victims' Support Scheme</u> It was agreed that Mrs L Kershaw would attend the AGM of the Scheme on behalf of the Parish Council.
- 3. West Lancashire Early Risers Service Posters requesting volunteers for the service would be displayed on the Notice Boards.
- 4. Community Council of Lancashire There was no volunteer to attend the AGM of the Council.

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- 5. Local Government International Bureau It was agreed not to send anyone to the Conference in Birmingham.
- 6. National Association of Local Councils It was agreed not to send anyone to a Training course in London.
- 7. <u>Municipal Mutual Insurance Ltd</u> It was noted that the Company had suspended all business last week.
  - 8. Lancashire Europe Week Detailed programmes of events were available.
- 9. Local Government Review A copy of a Government document had been received and comments were to be forwarded to the Department of Environment direct. The Chairman had read the document and advised the Council of the points on which comments were invited. The Chairman suggested a response which may be made by the Council.

68/92 RESOLVED:- That the Parish Council's views on the Review Document, a copy of which is attached to these minutes, be forwarded to the Department of the Environment.

## FINANCE

1. Accounts for payment

69/92 RESOLVED:- That the following accounts be paid:-

a.	North West Water - Water charges	£ 13.99
b.	T & B Associates Ltd - Grass cutting	£ 176.25
c.	Ernst & Young - Audit Fee	£ 86.77
d.	Mrs L Kershaw – Contribution to Audit Notice	£ 3.40
е.	Mr D Ward - Cleaning glass bus shelters (5 mths)	£ 70.00
f.	Sutcliffe Leisure Ltd - Spares for swings	£ 276.64
g.	B W Rimmer Esq., - Clerk's salary & expenses	£ 424.18
h.	Mr N Marsden - Repairs to roundabout	£ 231.00
i.	Mr N Marsden - Painting equipment	£ 313.88

2. Receipts

The following had been received:-

West Lancashire District Council - Street cleaning contract. - 1601.46

## PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr J R Foster reported that a number of drains were blocked as follows:-

Becconsall Hotel, by telephone box; Bottom of The Brow (2); Chapel Road; Shore Road (By Halsteads Farm); Chapel Road/Station Road

Mr M Goodier undertook to take these up with the District Council. Whilst on the subject of drains, the actions of the District Council in attending to a recent blockage on Shore Road was praised.

## PLANNING MATTERS

- 1. Weekly Lists There were no applications in the Parish.
- 2. Planning Control Sub-Committee 8th October 1992
- a. Application No 08/92/0889 Retention of residential caravan, Boundary Farm, Boundary Meanygate. The recommendation was for approval subject to conditions.
- 70/92 RESOLVED:- That no comments be made on this application.
  - b. Approved since last meeting The following were noted:-
- 1. <u>No 08/92/0799</u> Single storey extension, Boundary Farm, Boundary Meanygate.
- 2. No 08/92/0800 Single storey extension, Boundary Farm, Boundary Meanygate.

## RECREATION GROUND AND PLAY AREAS

## 1. Recreation Ground

- a. Repairs to swings The parts had been received and Mr Goodier had assembled one only to find the chains were the wrong size. Replacements had been ordered and were on the way.
- b. Repairs to roundabout and painting of equipment The work had been completed and Mr N Marsden had done an excellent job. Mr Goodier had spoken to a group of children and had asked them to look after the equipment and not to chip and scrape the new paint.
- c. <u>Litter bin</u> Mr Goodier was arranging for the litter bin to be moved from the side of the bench to a place in between the two swings.
- 2. Glenpark Drive This was still in abeyance with members of the Recreation Committee looking at a catalogue of equipment.
- 3. Station Road Play Area The quick thorn hedge was being ordered this weekend and there was a possibility that a dog toilet may be sited at this location.

A trough was forming in front of the seat and it was agreed that some flags needed to be laid.

71/92 RESOLVED:- That Mr J R Foster be authorised to purchase and lay some  $3' \times 2'$  flags in front of the seat.

## 4. Possible purchase of Sports Field, Station Road

Mr P Bannister reported that the 3 sports clubs had shown unanimous enthusiasm to the Council's action in trying to seek funds to purchase the Sports Field. They had proposed the establishment of a Joint Committee under a neutral Chairman to try to secure the purchase. Arrangements had subsequently been made for an inaugural meeting to be held on Monday, 9th November 1992 at The Becconsall Hotel, Station Road at 8.00pm and County Councillor R Hodge had agreed to act as Chairman for that meeting and to remain as Chairman until the issue was concluded. It was essential for as many Parish Councillors as possible to attend the meeting.

It was suggested that other organisations should be invited to attend the meeting in order to advise as necessary.

72/92 <u>RESOLVED:-</u> That the Clerk be requested to invite representatives of the Leisure Services Department of the District Council, the Lancashire Playing Fields Association and the Sports Development Officer of the CCL to attend the meeting to be held on the 9th November 1992 and that the Parish Council discusses its strategy at the next meeting of the Council.

It was also indicated that the field adjacent to the Sports Field could possibly be acquired to extend the facilities.

73/92 <u>RESOLVED:</u> That the Clerk be requested to make an approach to the owner of the field adjacent to the Sports Field about the possibility of the field being acquired to extend the facilities.

## HIGHWAYS MATTERS

- 1. Bus shelters The Clerk reported the following estimates from Streetwise, Liverpool:-
- a. Removal and disposal of concrete shelter, supply and erect Abacus open front shelter. Replace broken glass in Shore Road/Chapel Road shelter. £1203.64 plus VAT
  - b. Painting of 7 shelters £175.00 plus VAT

The Clerk also reported that an application had been made for a grant of  $\pounds 400$  from the County Council but the Clerk had ascertained that the grant may be increased to  $\pounds 600$  to meet half of the cost of the estimate of the new shelter.

- 74/92 RESOLVED:- 1. That the estimate of £1203.64 plus VAT from Streetwise for the new shelter outside the Recreation Ground, be accepted,
- 2. That the estimate of £175.00 plus VAT from Streetwise for the repainting of 7 shelters, be accepted.
- 2. <u>Street Lights</u> The request for additional lighting at Chapel Road/Greenfields had been acknowledged by the County Council.
- 3. Street seat This had still not been attended to and the Chairman undertook to speak to Mr Webb.
- 4. Hedges Mr Foster was dealing with the hedge on Delta Park Drive adjacent to the Recreation Ground and had cut back the hedge at the junction of Shore Road and Guide Road.
- 5. <u>Drainage</u> In addition to the drains mentioned earlier, ponding of water was reported in Hesketh Lane and a smell reported from near the Wool Shop next to the Post Office on Station Road
- 75/92 RESOLVED:- That the Clerk be requested to report the problems to the District Council.

It was also reported that the water in the village had been a cloudy white colour recently. It was, however, agreed to leave the issue for the time being.

#### WASTE TIP, HUNDRED END

The Chairman reported that the local MP, Mr Colin Pickthall, had met some of the residents of Shore Road and the Chairman had been invited to attend the meeting at which the possibility of a waste tip being established was discussed. The Chairman reported that the MP had been invited to visit Hundred End and had the merits of a tip explained to him but he had indicated to the recent meeting that he was opposed to the proposition. The Chairman had spoken to the Waste Disposal Section at County Hall who had confirmed that there were currently no plans for a tip in this area but it was believed that Leigh Environmental had not lost interest in this area.

## ALLOTMENTS

The Clerk reported that only 2 tenants still owed rents for next year and Mr Bannister had undertaken to speak to the tenants involved.

Mr S Trippier declared an interest in the next item and took no part in the discussion or the voting.

It was reported that Mr S Ball wished to give up his allotment with immediate effect. The only person on the Waiting List was Mr S Trippier.

76/92 RESOLVED:- That Mr S Trippier be allocated Plot No 7 on the allotments with immediate effect.

## LAP&TC - WEST LANCASHIRE AREA COMMITTEE

The next meeting would be held on Friday, 9th October 1992. Mrs Kershaw reported that she had been named as Deputy to Councillor D Mander on the Springfield Liaison Committee.

## REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Remembrance Sunday was the 8th November 1992 and as many Councillors as possible were requested to meet on the Church Path at 10.20am for the Service which started at 10.30am. The Parish Councillors usually occupied the front two pews in the Church. The Clerk undertook to speak to Mrs M Baxter about the Parish Council wreath.

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## HESKETH -WITH - BECCONSALL PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON THE 2nd NOVEMBER 1992

## PRESENT:

Mrs D M Trippier (Vice-Chairman in the Chair)

Mrs N Goodier; Mrs L Kershaw and Mrs J Witter

Mr P Bannister; Mr M Goodier; Mr L Greenwood and Mr S Trippier.

Apologies were received from Mr P Handley; Mr J Hodson and Mr J Jackson

One member of the public was present.

## MR J HODSON

 $\mbox{\rm Mr}$  J Hodson had written to indicate that he hoped to resume his Parish Council duties in the near future.

77/92 RESOLVED:- That the reasons for absence from meetings by Mr J Hodson be accepted by the Parish Council.

## MINUTES

78/92 RESOLVED:- That, subject to the following addition, the Minutes of the meeting held on the 5th October 1992 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman:-

#### Page 2 FINANCE 2. Receipts

After "contract" add £ 1601.46

## MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Remembrance Sunday The Chairman had said be would be back for the Service and members were asked to meet outside the Church at 10.15am.

## CORRESPONDENCE

#### 1. District Council

a. Agendas Development & Amenities The general contract compliance for the street cleaning contract was reported to be excellant with unsatisfactory work levels running at less than 1%.

79/92 RESOLVED:- That the Council's congratulations be extended to Mr J R Foster on his continued excellant work in keeping the streets of the Parish clean.

- b. Low Cost Housing in Rural Areas A new policy document had been received.
- c. <u>Citizens Guide 1993</u> A questionnaire had been completed by the Clerk and returned.

- 2. County Council There were no items under this heading.
- 3. Other matters
- a. LAP&TC It was noted that MMI had resumed the payment of claims.
- b. <u>International News</u> The magazine of the Local Government International Bureau had been received.
- c. Over 60's Club It was suggested that the Club had closed down. The Council had recently given the Club a grant and the Clerk was requested to write to the Club to verify the information.

## FINANCE 1. Accounts for Payment

80/92 RESOLVED:- That the following accounts be made:-

a.	Mahood Brothers Ltd - Purchase of plants	£ 67.50
b.	T & B Landscape Associates Ltd - Grasscutting	£ 88.13
С.	Mr J R Foster - Work at Glenpark Drive and Shore	Road

£ 30.00 Royal British Legion - Wreath £ 12.00

In respect of the plants for the Station Road Bridge, it was agreed that Councillors would meet on the Bridge at 10.00am on 21st November 1992 to plant the plants and Mr M Goodier would arrange for the press to attend.

2. Receipts The following had been received:-

	a.	West Lancashire District Council - Concurrent	contribution
٠		2nd payment	£ 675.00
	b.	Hesketh Bank FC - Rental for pitch	£ 20.00
۲	c.	Mr F Iddon - Allotment rent	£ 20.00
	d.	Mr A Rostron - Allotment rent	£ 20.00

3. Estimates for 1993/94 The District Council would be maintaining contributions at 1992/93 levels until indication received from D of E on Rate Support Grant for next year. The Clerk would bring the estimates to a future meeting of the Council.

## PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

 $\,$  Mr Goodier indicated that a number of Scouts would attend the next meeting and may well be asking questions.

## PLANNING MATTERS

## 1. Weekly lists

a. Application No 08/92/1089 - Siting of residential caravan for horticultural worker, Spencer Propagators, Boundary Lane

81/92 RESOLVED:- That the Planning Officer be advised that the original house on this land had been retained when the land had been sold and the applicant needed to be on the site to look after the crops. The Council support the applicant and feel the application should be approved.