



HESKETH-with-BECCONSALL

PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday, 8th January 2018 at 7:30pm in Booths Café, Station Road, Hesketh Bank.

PRESENT

Councillors Iain Ashcroft; Jeff Christie; Diane Earles; Mike Ellis; Norma Goodier; John Hunter; Steve Kirby; David Maughan; Richard Plant; Paul Sergeant (Chairman); Ron Tyson

No members of the general public were present.

COUNCIL MEETING

APOLOGIES

All members were present.

MINUTES

RESOLUTION No. 53/2017 Carried that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on the 11th December 2017 are confirmed as a true record.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No interests were declared

REPORTS

PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY

It was noted that Cllr Kirby attended a meeting with 'Natural England' with regards to the Coastal Path. It was agreed the Cllr Kirby would invite Kerry Rennie to address the March meeting.

POPPYFIELDS

Cllr.Ashcroft apprised members of progress by WLBC with relation to the adoption of the Poppyfields POS

CLERK'S REPORT

SHORE ROAD WORKS.

It was noted that Tree works had been completed on Thursday/Friday 21st/22nd December. Stump grinding would be completed when the ground condition improved.

VEHICLE SPEED CONCERNS

The Clerk proposed erecting a warning sign in respect of the Roundabout and Pedestrian Crossing to advise vehicles approaching the old bridge on Station Road from the North. This was agreed.

CSG / SPORTS CENTRE

It was noted that complaints had been received regarding rubbish around the Sports Centre which was presently closed. The Football Club had undertaken some clearing and the Chairman offered to try to contact the owners.

STATION ROAD PLAY AREA

It was noted that obscene graffiti had been sprayed on the private garage at the northerly end of the Play Area.

WL LOCAL PLAN

It was noted that the Clerk and Cllr Kirby would be attending a group discussion with the other Northern Parishes and WL Planners on Monday 15th January.

HIGHWAY FLOODING

It was noted that many highway gullies between Rankin Avenue and the Brow were blocked. LCC had been advised.

ALLOTMANT WEBSITE

The Clerk advised that he was receiving ongoing complaints regarding the out of date HBALGA website and Site Notice Board. Members of the public had complained that requests for contact via the site were ignored. The Clerk confirmed that he had asked the Poor marsh PALS to address this.

TRAVELLERS

The Clerk expressed concern at the vulnerability of the Shore Road site to illegal occupation via Delta Park Drive as had occurred elsewhere. It was agreed to erect concrete bollards to prevent this.

RESOLUTION No. 54/2017 Carried that the Clerk's Report and actions are noted and ratified.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

PAYMENTS

RESOLUTION No. 55/2017 Carried that payments of Accounts made since the last meeting are ratified and the Invoices now presented on the Payments Schedule (attached) are approved and that the Clerk is authorised to complete the appropriate electronic transactions.

RECEIPTS

Electricity NW	Wayleave	£143.73
Bank Interest	November 2017	£0.73
Investment Interest	December 2017	£45.62
Hesketh Bank AFC	Loan repayment (1/10)	£149.00

GRANT AID

RESOLUTION No. 56/2017 Carried that donations of £100 each be made to:-

- a. Queenscourt Hospice
- b. Douglas Cardiac Trust
- c. North West Air Ambulance

BUDGET OUT-TURN (3rd Qtr)

RESOLUTION No. 57/2017 Carried that the Budget Out-Turn report is noted as presented.

BUDGET 2018-2019

RESOLUTION No. 58/2017 Carried that the Draft Budget as presented is approved and adopted.

PRECEPT

RESOLUTION No. 59/2017 Carried that Precept of £56,340 is set on West Lancashire Borough Council for the Financial Year 2018-2019.

BUDGET DELEGATION

RESOLUTION No. 60/2017 Carried that expenditure as authorised in the Ratified Budget (2018-2019) is delegated to the Executive Clerk.

BRICKWORKS DEVELOPMENT

RESOLUTION No. 61/2017 Carried that the Clerk is authorised to open discussions and negotiations with Henry Alty Ltd and Persimmon Homes Ltd in respect of Public Open Space, the proposed Douglas Park and adjacent Land in line with his confidential report.

INSPECTION REPORTS

Reports were received in respect of the Glen Park Drive, Station Road and the Shore Road, facilities.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8:39 pm.