



HESKETH-with-BECCONSALL **PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 11th March 2019 2019 at 7:30pm at The Community Centre, Station Road, Hesketh Bank.

PRESENT

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

No members of the general public were present.

COUNCIL MEETING

APOLOGIES

Cllr. John Hunter.

MINUTES

RESOLUTION No. 67/2018 Carried that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on the 11th February 2019 are confirmed as a true record.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None were made.

PUBLIC FORUM

A Representation was made regarding a proposed Planning Application at the junction of Moss lane and Granville Avenue.

A meeting of the Planning Committee was agreed for 18th March.

REPORTS

Cllr Earles updated Members with regards to the Community Centre's grant application and proposed "Clean-up" for the Best Kept Village competition.

CLERK'S REPORT

SPIDs

It was noted that all 3 were fully operational and that reports were being sent to the Police.

HENRY ALTY WAY

It was noted that the transfer of the Southerly strip of land was now in hand. The Clerk also advised that Persimmon had failed to put forward any plan for the ongoing maintenance of the development's Green Space as required in the Planning Consent; the Borough Council were now pursuing this.

It was agreed that a Committee be formed to progress plans for the development comprising Cllrs. Ashcroft, Christie, Ellis, Kirby and Plant.

CSG TELEFONICA BASE STATION

The Clerk confirmed that the new Code Agreement for this site had now been completed. This had produced a net profit after all costs of £14,100

LENGTHSMAN

It was noted that the Clerk had received several queries following the publication of an article saying that 30 bags of rubbish had been collected around the village by volunteers despite the Council employing a Lengthsman. It was made clear that all the rubbish collected related to areas which were not covered by the scheme.

KEEP BRITAIN TIDY

Members were apprised of the “Great British Spring Clean” which commences on 22nd March until 23rd April. West Lancs will support this with bags, litter pickers, Hi-Vis vests and collection of waste.

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

The Clerk advised that investigation suggested that the trees at the Station Road bridge were unsuitable for the installation of Christmas lighting. Members were requested to bring forward alternative schemes.

NORTHERN ALTY LANDS

It was noted that the sale of these lands was still progressing.

UNIFORMED PARISH CHAMPIONS

The Clerk advised that to date only one volunteer had put their name forward. The Clerk noted what he considered to be a lack of effort being put into this scheme by the Police.

OUTMARSH SEATING

It was noted that this had now been installed; location plans were made available to Members. The Council had provided two 10’ benches and the Environment Agency a further one.

RESOLUTION No. 68/2018 Carried that the Clerk’s Report and actions are noted and ratified.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

PAYMENTS

RESOLUTION No. 69/2018 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

Hesketh AFC	Additional Rent	£308.75
CTIL	Telecomms Agreement	£11,100.00
CTIL	Contribution to Professional Fees	£3,000.00
HB Bowling Club	CSG Rent	£700.30
Virair	CSG Mast Fees	£665.00

Bank Interest	Feb 2018	£2.52
Investment Interest	Mar 2019	£67.95

INTERNAL AUDIT

RESOLUTION No. 70/2018 Carried that Mr Trevor Rimmer be re-appointed Internal Auditor for 2019-2020.

ALLOTMENTS TRUST DEED

RESOLUTION No. 71/2018 Carried that under the provision of Para 2 of the Trust Deed of the 20th July 2016, an additional paragraph is inserted under (3) Management to read, "Personal data of all Plot Holder and PALS Members shall be held jointly by the Parish Council and The Poor Marsh Permaculture Allotment Society.

ALLOTMENT'S REPORT

The Clerk gave a report on the current composition (by area) of the Licences issued to Plot Holders. It was noted that since completion of the re-provision of the site, a substantial waiting list had existed; the present list had 34 applicants waiting for plots. It was further noted that some 15 of the current plots were held by persons residing outside Hesketh Bank. The Clerk put forward several proposals as to possible solutions and he advised that he would be attending the next meeting of the group to discuss this and look for preferred options.

INSPECTION REPORTS

A report was received in respect of the Shore Road complex.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8:25pm.