



HESKETH-with-BECCONSALL

PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday, 12th June 2017 at 7:30pm at Booths Café, Station Road, Hesketh Bank.

PRESENT

Councillors Iain Ashcroft; Diane Earles; Norma Goodier; Steve Kirby; John Hunter;
David Maughan; Paul Sergeant (Chairman); Ron Tyson
Ian T. Cropper (Parish Clerk)
PCSO Neil Cronshaw

Fourteen members of the general public were present.

COUNCIL MEETING

APOLOGIES Cllrs Plant & Ellis

MINUTES

RESOLUTION No. 15/2017 Carried that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on the 8th May 2017 are confirmed as a true record.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

PUBLIC FORUM

Enquiries were made regarding the calculation of the Parish Precept. Considerable concerns were expressed by several residents regarding nuisance and damage by youths congregating at the Community Centre.

REPORTS

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT – The Chairman referred to local distress caused by the deaths of two local girls and those sustaining injuries at the recent Manchester terror attack.

LHB – Members were apprised of the plans for a 'Guy' competition to be organised in conjunction with All Saints School.

PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY - Members were advised that a new batch of Heritage Trail leaflets were now available from Booths, Top Shop and the Library.

CLERK'S REPORT

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

It was noted that whilst Tarleton Council had indicated that they were happy to have an exploratory meeting (3 Members) no progress has been made.

STATION ROAD BUS SHELTER

It was noted that this had now been replaced. The three Northern Parishes have negotiated a supply deal with B&C Shelters of Burscough which will give considerable savings over Queensbury which were previously used.

INTERNAL AUDIT

Members were advised that Mr Trevor Rimmer had completed the Internal Audit on the 25th May.

EXTERNAL AUDIT

It was noted that this had been set for the 19th of June with BDO as in previous years. Papers have been forwarded to them today.

HENRY ALTY SITE

It was noted that Persimmon had now submitted an amended application.

GP SERVICES

It was noted that as previously notified, a temporary (12-18mths) portacabin will be installed at the Tarleton Health Centre to accommodate Dr Hindle's patients from July.

WLBC CAPITAL FUNDING APPLICATION

It was noted that the Council's application for a £4,500 grant towards a £7,000 scheme to illuminate the CSG Car-Park had been successful.

NUISANCE

It was noted that the Council's sites continue to have a degree of low level nuisance and littering at the Station Road Play Area and the Centenary Sports Ground. Playing with balls at Station Road has caused minor damage to property, damage to trees and incidents involving toddlers being hit with balls. The Clerk had spoken to groups on several occasions who in general had been co-operative; surprisingly he had received abuse from parents alleging that their child had been 'picked on'.

LOCAL COLLECTION re The Manchester terrorist incident

It was confirmed that the Clerk had agreed to supply bank rolling facilities to the group collecting funds to assist the local families affected by this atrocity. In the interests of transparency, he confirmed that he would in the interests of transparency publish all figures on the WebSite in due course.

OPSTA

The Clerk confirmed that membership had been renewed and that he had been able to supply the group with a delegate pass to the national Rail Conference.

RESOLUTION No. 16/2017 Carried that the Clerk's Report and actions are noted and ratified.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

PAYMENTS

RESOLUTION No. 17/2017 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

Bank Interest	March 2017	£0.06
Investment Interest	April 2017	£25.16
Telefonica	CSG Base Station Rent	£5,548.93

The Bank and Investment balances were noted and the Statements signed as correct by the Chairman.

CO-OPTION

RESOLUTION No. 18/2017 Carried that **Mr Jeff R J Christie** of Becconsall Lane is co-opted as a Councillor forthwith.

INTERNAL AUDIT

RESOLUTION No. 19/2017 Carried that the Internal Auditor's report is received and noted.

RECREATION COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION No. 20/2017 Carried that Cllr. Christie is elected to serve on the Recreation Committee.

COMMUNITY CENTRE TRUSTEE

RESOLUTION No. 21/2017 Carried that upon the resignation of Cllr Kirby, Cllr Earles is appointed as the Council's Community Centre Representative Trustee.

INSPECTION REPORTS

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

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.05pm.