



HESKETH-with-BECCONSALL

PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday, 12th September 2016 at 7:30pm at Booths Café, Station Road, Hesketh Bank.

PRESENT

Councillors Mrs Diane Earles; Mr John Hunter; Cllr. Mr Simon Kenyon
Mr Steve Kirby; Mr David Maughan; Mr Paul Sergeant (Chairman); Mr Ron Tyson
Mr Ian T. Cropper (Parish Clerk)

No members of the general public were present.

COUNCIL MEETING

APOLOGIES Cllrs. Ashcroft; Goodier;

MINUTES

RESOLUTION No. 30/2016 Carried that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on the 11th July 2016 are confirmed as a true record.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No Declarations were made

REPORTS

LHB – Cllr Earles updated Members with regards to Facebook, Best Kept Certificates, and Village Entrance Signs. It was noted that progress had not been made with the planned Scarecrow competition but that this would be pursued next year.

Public Rights of Way – No further paths had been walked.

CIL working group – No report

CLERK'S REPORT

DATA PROTECTION

The Clerk confirmed that the Council's registration under the Data Protection Act had been renewed.

TRAINING

The Clerk advised the meeting that two places had been booked. It was noted that Cllr Kirby was now unable to attend and the place would therefore be offered to the new co-optee.

CODE OF CONDUCT SEMINAR

The Clerk confirmed that he had distributed seminar packs to all Members.

SHORE ROAD CAR PARK

In line with good practice, it was noted that a quote being sort for a gate and sign to control children running from the recreation area into the carpark.

HENRY ALTY PARK

The Clerk updated Members with regards to planning. A full Working Group update would be given at the conclusion of the meeting.

OPSTA

The Clerk confirmed that the Council were again members of OPSTA.

LAND REGISTRATION

The Clerk gave confirmation of our ownership of the POS at Pardoe Close with the Land Registry.

GLEN PARK DRIVE PLAY AREA

It was noted that the repairs to the Play Area hard surfacing were completed before the school holidays along with repairs to the Shore Road car park adjacent to the road fence. The Clerk was now awaiting quotes for the re-marking out of the 'Low Trail' and 'Hopscotch'.

QUEENSCOURT

It was noted that the Clerk had received an acknowledgement from Queenscourt in respect of the £100 donated by the Council and the £50 raised by Cllr Earles in memory of former Councillor Julie Lancaster.

GP SERVICES

It was noted that concern had been expressed at previous meetings regarding poor access to GP services. Members were advised of the AGM of the WL CCG to be held at Skemersdale on Tuesday 27th September from 11:30am.

RESOLUTION No. 31/2016 Carried that the Clerk's Report and actions are noted and ratified.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

PAYMENTS

RESOLUTION No. 32/2016 Carried that payments of Accounts made since the last meeting are ratified and the Invoices now presented on the Payments Schedule are approved and that the Clerk is authorised to complete the appropriate electronic transactions.

RECEIPTS

Bank Interest	July 2016	£0.38
Bank Interest	August 2016	£0.18
Investment Interest	August 2016	£34.12
Investment Interest	September 2016	£29.92

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

ANNUAL RETURN

RESOLUTION No. 33/2016 Carried that the **ANNUAL RETURN 2016** is received and noted and that the External Auditor's comments are acted upon.

COUNCIL VACANCY

RESOLUTION No. 34/2016 Carried unanimously that Mr Mike Ellis be duly Co-Opted as a Member of the Council forthwith.

HEDGE OBSTRUCTIONS

It was noted that Cllr Ashcroft had taken the matter up with LCC and County Councillor Barron.

INSPECTION REPORTS

Reports were received in respect of the Shore Road facilities and the CSG.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8:28pm.