



HESKETH-with-BECCONSALL

PARISH COUNCIL

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

PRESENT

Councillors Mr Iain Ashcroft; Mrs Diane Earles; Mrs Norma Goodier;
Mr John Hunter; Mr David Maughan; Mr Paul Sergeant (Chairman);
Mr Ian T. Cropper (Parish Clerk)

No members of the general public were present.

Prior to the commencement of the meeting, a Presentation was given by Richard Shirres from the Environment Agency and Tony Baker of the RSPB with regards to progress on the Outmarsh (East) improvement scheme.

COUNCIL MEETING

APOLOGIES Cllrs. Kenyon, Ellis, Kirby.

MINUTES

RESOLUTION No. 46/2016 Carried that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on the 14th of November are confirmed as a true record.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No Declarations were made

REPORTS

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT – The Chairman noted the positive comments received regarding the Christmas decorations.

LHB – A list of nominations for pin badge awards was agreed.

VILLAGE BOUNDARY SIGNS - Members considered options presented for three boundary signs choosing option 2 with amendments. The Clerk was instructed to obtain quotations.

CLERK'S REPORT

HENRY ALTY

It was noted with regret that the Borough Planning Committee had rejected the application regarding Reserved Matters against advice of the Officers. It was not known whether Persimmon would be appealing.

HSBC TREE STUMP

As advised at the last meeting, The Clerk noted that he had not received a response. It was noted that a works order had been placed for the removal of the stump on safety grounds.

RESIDENTS' NEWSLETTER

The Clerk confirmed that he had compiled a list of some 120 premises who he believed were not currently receiving the Newsletter to whom he would be writing as soon as the December issue was published.

NOTICE Board

The Clerk confirmed that he had ordered a new Notice Board for installation within Booths.

CASUAL VACANCY

The Clerk confirmed that he hadn't received any requests for a Poll.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

The Clerk confirmed that following a meeting with LCC, the issues regarding the installation of pole fittings had been resolved.

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Following a Working Group meeting of 3 Councillors, it was agreed that the Clerk should write to Tarleton Parish Council seeking their participation in a Neighbourhood Plan.

RESOLUTION No. 47/2016 Carried that the Clerk's Report and actions are noted and ratified.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

PAYMENTS

RESOLUTION No. 48/2016 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	November 2016	£0.22
Investment Interest	December 2016	£24.34

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

CASUAL VACANCY

RESOLUTION No. 49/2016 Carried that Mr Richard Plant is invited to join the Council.

PUBLIC SPACE PROTECTION ORDER - CONSULTATION

RESOLUTION No. 50/2016 Carried that the Clerk write to the Borough Council expressing concern that the Parish had not been consulted prior to the instigation of the Consultation and to request the inclusion of the Station Road Play Area.

BUDGET 2017-2018

The following matters were considered:-

Accrual for a Neighbourhood Plan.

Maintenance of additional POS areas.

Accruals for the development of the Poppyfields POS including CCTV.

Accruals for drainage works at the Shore Road Recreation Ground.

Provision for increased Lengthsman duties to include weed spraying.

Lighting of the CSG Car Park.

Drainage for the Glen Park Drive Play Area.

INSPECTION REPORTS

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

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8:50pm.