

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SLYNE WITH HEST PARISH COUNCIL
held on MONDAY 17 March 2025 in the MEMORIAL HALL

- 3565. Attending.** Councillors, Tony Obertelli, Alan Connor, June Cohen Kingsley and Andy Burrow Clerk, Louise Ash.
- 3566. Apologies** accepted from Joanne Bateman
- 3567. Minutes.** The minutes of Monday 17 February 2025 were accepted as correct and duly signed by Cllr Conner who was chairperson at the meeting.
- 3568. Declaration of Interests.** Cllr Obertelli re planning application at Rushley Mount, Cllr Cohen Kingsley re planning application at 9 Marine Drive.
- 3569. Public Participation.** A misunderstanding shared on social media meant that we had some 30 plus residents attend unexpectedly. Most of those who attended were from Bolton le Sands. They expected the meeting to be solely about the land on the A6 Slyne Road between Slyne and Bolton le Sands. Cllr Obertelli explained that the meeting was our usual PC meeting and the matter was only an agenda item. He allowed residents the opportunity to speak to us and our City Council colleagues Cllr Keith Budden and Paul Newton. We addressed the residents' concerns. See my report on this. Councillor Newton told us that he would chase up when the speeding device for close to school would be in the village.
- Casual Vacancies;** Mr J Kidd and Mr A Hartley, were co-opted, filling our two vacancies. Mr David Atkinson attended and expressed an interest in becoming a councillor.
- Resignation** It is with regret that the council accepted the resignation of Councillor Joanne Bateman. She has been an outstanding council member for six years. Her contributions have been many and varied but of particular note was her dedication to bringing the council up to date on digital matters, building a website and Facebook site to bringing council into line with modern standards. All there agreed that Joanne will be missed and thanked her for her contribution to village life. A **new casual vacancy** process will follow in due course.
- 3570. Reports.** After the departure of the members of the public Cllr Paul Newton, Keith Budden and John Wild remained. We were also joined by Russell Walsh who is standing as a Candidate for City Council for Reform. Cllr Budden shared his disappointment that the recent appeal regarding land off Sea View Drive had been lost and planning permission has been granted. All there agreed that this was a regrettable loss of greenbelt that was being agricultural land.
- 3571. Items for March 2025**
- a) **Correspondence** received since our last meeting: There were several matters raised by residents. A rotten tree in The Rec which sits on the boarder with our neighbours was brought to our attention. It was independently checked and found to be rotten, most of the base of the tree is hollow, making this a dangerous tree. **Resolved** To regretfully fell this tree. An email regarding replacement trees suggested that council should consider replacing trees with like for like species. **Noted** To endeavour to replace trees like for like. An email regarding financial matters appearing on the agenda was considered. **Resolved** to protect the privacy of employees. A resident emailed regarding the condition of the road at Teal Bay that leads to the Cheyette Fitness Club. **Resolved** Council will look into the matter. An email was received regarding the parking situation at our Slyne Cemetery. **Noted** to include the matter in the upcoming Cemetery Review.
- b) Lancaster City Council SHMA and GTAA Parish Council Surveys, to complete the documents ahead of the deadline for submission. **Resolved** Clerk to complete and return.
- c) Memorial Hall electricity use by the PC, considered the current fee of £100. **Resolved** To uplift the amount to £105 pa.

- d) VE 80th Celebration with the Memorial Hall. Donation to support this community event in May. **Resolved** a budget £600
- e) Envirocare Grass Cutting 2025-2026, prices and schedule to remain the same as last year. **Resolved** To accept the same terms as last year.
- f) Considered replacement bins for around the parish. **Resolved** Investment of approx. two thousand pounds for replacement Glasdon bins, clerk to order via City Council.
- g) The History Group have chosen a cabinet for the Mawson Room **Resolved** Clerk to request an invoice and pay for the goods.
- h) Greenbelt and the City Councils Local Plan. Councillors **Noted** that they will respond as per residents wishes. Residents of Bolton le Sands who attended this evenings meeting were broadly against building at the A6 Slyne Road location.
- i) CiLCA training course for clerk **Deferred** until next month
- j) Zip Wire at The Rec, consider removal and replacement **Noted** Playdale sent a simple quote for the equipment only of £10,200. Further quotes will be sought and the matter considered for the 2026-2027 budget.

3572. Five Year Plan

Priority areas, The Rec (footpath) The Foreshore (Review) and the Cemetery.

- The Rec temporary path repairs didn't hold. Safety barriers now put up. Lancashire County Council have agreed to replace the grid at the entrance of the Rec, move it closer to the waters natural flow and further to install a second grid. **Resolved** The pc will monitor the situation each month and as soon as possible after the work County Council undertake will repair the pathway.
- Foreshore, bins to be replaced, see item above. Illegal parking at the Foreshore has been reported. **Noted** To monitor the situation and look into parking measures so that illegal activity can be addressed.
- Cemetery, review is ongoing

3573. Planning Applications discussed. RESOLVED Comments be noted online by the Clerk via the Lancaster City Planning portal.

No objections to the following

25/00174/FUL	20 Coastal Road	Outbuilding into self-contained studio
25/00094/FUL	22 Prospect Drive	Extension, rebuild of rear and front porch
25/00090/FUL	34 Manor Road	Ground floor rear extension
25/00262/FUL	3 Rushley Mount	Demolition and rebuild of rear outbuildings
25/00147/FUL	9 Marine Drive	Bungalow extension to create a first floor

It was noted that the following applications have been permitted;

24/01406/FUL	12 Bay View Cres	Permitted
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3574. Finance matters

It was noted that the bank balance was £9,795.09 with reserves £84,408.55 on 28/02/2025. The bank statement was duly signed.

To approve the following payments:

Regular Payments		Direct Debits/Standing Orders	
Bank Charges (Jan)	£9.80	Eon Next (MUGA)	£112.94
Printing	£9.99	Sky broadband	£41.94
Council Mobile Phone	£6.25	HMRC	£
Wages/pension		Water Plus	£
Easy websites	£36.96	DC Garden	£300
Rydal Coms	£46.08	Envirocare	£955.82

Other payments this month

Memorial Hall £105 Electricity
Cemetery costs £12.67 Brush/bucket/shovel
Cemetery costs £21.87 Grass
WI Planters £112.94 plants
Expenses A Conner £9.65
Brian F. Bench Repair £200
D Warburton MUGA lights £130

3575. Open Spaces The first Public Right of Way working group will meet on 19 March to carry out a spring clean.

3576. Biodiversity and Climate Matters. Nothing to report.

3577. Parish Events

The PC will support an event at the Memorial Hall for VE80 celebrations in May.

3578. Date and time of the next meeting 28 April 2025 at the Church Hall on Shady Lane at 7:00 pm

3579. Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9:10pm

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