

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SLYNE WITH HEST PARISH COUNCIL
held on MONDAY 19 February 2024 in the MEMORIAL HALL

- 3390. Attending.** Chairman Cllr Tony Obertelli. Councillors, Alan Connor, Sarah Campbell, Janet Sellers, Joanne Bateman, June Cohen Kingsley and Andy Burrow.
- 3391. Minutes.** Chair signed the minutes of the meeting held on 15 January 2023 as a true record
- 3392. Declaration of Interests.** Councillors Bateman & Campbell stated interests in items which directly affected them. A discussion around parking and discussion around a quote for work at the Rec field.
- 3393. Public Participation.** Ms Carrington of Bold Coffee Shop joined us to discuss some community events that she would like support with. Councillors noted ways to support with campaigns i.e. using the PC website, PC notice boards, councillors physically helping and having conversations with others to help gather support throughout the community. Ms Carrington left the meeting.
- 3394. Reports.** Lancaster City Councillor Budded attended the meeting, he commended the team who put together the service in remembrance of the 20th anniversary of the Cockle Picking Disaster. Cllr Obertelli attended and agreed that service was well attended and very moving. Councillor Budden left the meeting.

Councillor Obertelli, Burrow and Cohen Kingsley attended The Memorial Hall committee meeting and now report back. Councillors were asked to consider helping with fund raising for a new defibrillator. Council, in their capacity as Landlords were asked to consider an outside tap being fitted that the nursery can access. There is a problem with bird lime covering the play area. It needs to be washed down everyday. **NOTED** Both issues were considered and all there agreed councils help with both items.

3395. New Items for Feb 2024

- a. To discuss any updates received after the agenda was published
- b. Four items of correspondence from residents were shared. An email regarding some criminal damage and some antisocial behaviour by the canal. All agreed this is a matter for the police. An email regarding the Defibrillator outside the Memorial Hall and a lack of instructions on how to use it. As this unit is not available to the public to simply deploy, but is on the network of emergency handlers, and only available to remove from the box when given a code by the emergency services. A simple sign to confirm this will be made and placed close by.
A request in anticipation of needing a letter to support the use of shared private roads, all agreed a letter will be written if so needed.
An email regarding parking on Shady Lane. Cllr Bateman excused herself from this discussion. The parish council has no powers to act on the suggestions in the email as the road, the land and the decision making power rests with Lancashire County Council's Highways department. The writer suggested making more parking spaces by paving over a grassed area, or the insertion of passing places to aid road users when there are events at church or in their hall. All agreed the Clerk should reply with an explanation of our lack of power to help. Further for the clerk to write to Highways to ask about passing places.
- c. Calendar competition for residents to submit pictures for entry into a calendar for 2025 was discussed. Budget set at 1k in the hope costs are recouped in sales. **RESOLVED** To run the competition. If any funds are raised the profits will be used for repairs.
- d. A water leak on Hatex Lane bridge is causing concern. **RESOLVED** The clerk will contact united utilities to request any help they can give.
- e. Council to considered membership of CRPE. **RESOLVED** The clerk set up joining

- f. A quote for superior fitting of benches at the Rec was discussed. Cllr Campbell excused herself from this discussion. **RESOLVED** To have the usual fitting done as quickly as possible.
- g. Council Considered a response to the letter regarding Application for Definitive Map Modification Order from Lancs County Council. **RESOLVED** The clerk will respond that they support the confirmation of any public rights along Green Lane at the Canal side.

3396. Ongoing items

- a. Consider a policy for the hire of the field beside the Memorial Hall
- b. Litter Picking Group Community Groups - **RESOLVED** To support Bold Coffee Shop with any upcoming community events the Council deem suitable.
- c. A New Bus Shelter has been discussed and council have now entered into consultation with those on Main Road outside whose property the Shelter might be fitted. Council have written to the residents and await a reply with any considerations. **RESOLVED** Council agreed to write a second time stating a deadline for responses of 6 April 2024, and further to consult more widely at our next event before moving forward to install.
- d. WW2 Pill Box Rushley Mount / Marine Drive
- e. Get Quotes for Signage changes
- f. Speeding / Slowing signs update
- g. Coffee Morning at Memorial Hall 6 April 2024
- h. Refurbishment of notice boards for 2024
- i. Biodiversity – plan for tree planting
- j. Plan to replace Play Tower
- k. Canal Bins **RESOLVED** To request help of Canal & Rivers trust to replace bins and PC to have new signs pointing out where the bins are.
- l. MUGA ditches & flooding. The matter was discussed, flooding occurs and is expected at The Rec. The drains were inspected and found to be working correctly. The ditches have been altered when the new houses behind the field were built. **RESOLVED** To monitor the situation and review as necessary.
- m. Parish wide newsletter will be sent out in the next six weeks **RESOLVED** To use Door to Door via the Royal Mail for delivery and to have the leaflet printed professionally by a local printing company.

3397. Five Year Plan

Councillors discussed producing documents for public consultation around spending areas, for example Bus Shelters, Trees, Biodiversity goals. The coffee morning provides an excellent public engagement opportunity for the residents.

3398. Planning Applications discussed. RESOLVED Comments be noted online by the Clerk.

24/0007/TPO	5 Peacock Cres
24/00053/FUL	5 Prospect Drive
24/00055/FUL	2 Geenacre RD
24/00094/FUL	1 The Drive
24/01454/FUL	Football Club
24/00126/FUL	33 Coastal Road

3399. Finance matters

It was noted that there were some items missed from previous agenda's and those were retrospectively agreed.

The list of payments was agreed.

It was noted that the bank balance was £20102.64 with reserves £81,634.78 at month end. The bank statement was duly signed by our chairman and vice chairman.

3400. Open Spaces

The cemetery working group made the following recommendations

- a) To move cemetery records on-line as soon as possible.

- b) A review of existing policy documents
- c) To identify a further area suitable for a Garden of Remembrance as spaces are limited, consider a place for the scattering of ashes.
- d) To add better signage, in accordance with current legislation and guidelines
- e) To plan for a larger part of the annual budget to be used in 2025-2026 to help with developing the cemetery, repairs, ground works to allow safe parking and any new planting.

RESOLVED all recommendations were approved.

Noted The group must report back for approval on any quotes gathered for the required works to be done so that further discussion can take place. Public interest in the cemetery is high and consultation around any changes is required.

Biodiversity was discussed as part of the plans for the removal of an Ash Tree, the replanting of trees gifted and those to be purchased. It was further discussed that the Cemetery grounds be utilized for our goals.

3401. Parish Events

The first meeting of the Events committee took place. Governance was addressed, all members of the group signed off the Terms of Reference. **Resolved** Budgets set at 3k for each event.

3402. To receive items for consideration for a future agenda: Memorial Hall, outside tap and Double glazing to be added. Also the matter of excessive amounts of dog poo on the Foreshore and to consider the need for extra signs.

3403. Date and time of the next meeting 18 March 2024 at the Memorial Hall at 7:00 pm

3404. Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9:00pm

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