

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SLYNE WITH HEST PARISH COUNCIL  
held on MONDAY 20 DECEMBER 2010 in the MEMORIAL HALL**

Councillors present Mr Peter Millard(PM)- Chairman, Mr Stephen Jones (SJ), Mr Stewart Scothern(SS),  
Miss June Cohen-Kingsley(JC-K), Mrs Beverley Melici(BM),  
Mrs Joanne Leeman (JL)

Clerk Mrs Doreen Brookes

**1521 To receive apologies for absence**

Cllr Julian Newbold due to work commitments -reason for absence accepted

**1522 To record Declarations of Interest None**

The meeting was adjourned for the Open Forum -Standing Orders were suspended.

**Open Forum**

Present for the Open Forum: Sgt S Warburton. Apologies were received from County Cllr A P Jones

- Police and Communities Together (PACT) meeting; Sgt Warburton reported that in the previous month there had been one incident of anti-social behaviour (none in the same period of 2009) no reports of vehicle nuisance (1) and two crimes (6) -a distraction theft which had been detected and a burglary.

Standing Orders were reinstated.

**1523 Minutes of the previous meeting**

Resolution: to approve the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 15 November 2010 as a true record. They were duly signed by the Chairman.

**1524 Progress Reports (for information only)**

- The next Village Newsletter is due to be published in the first week of the New Year
- Work on the roof of the burial ground building has been completed. Some of the old slates have been sold
- Lancaster City Council intends demolishing the foreshore toilets in January/February 2011. Once the area has been cleared it will be grassed over.
- The calling plan for the BT account has been changed and includes free calls therefore potentially reducing the phone bill.
- A check has been carried out and there are signs, albeit small, prohibiting horses using the path from Throstle Grove
- PC Linda Head will not be holding police surgeries at the community coffee mornings. This is due to a change in work schedules.
- RDPE Funding for the play area -more detail has been requested and the application is to be re-submitted. The outcome should be known sometime in January.
- Information about the Three Tier Forums, the Localism Bill and new proposals regarding neighbourhood planning has been received and circulated to members
- Britain in Bloom competition: as part of the launch in 2011 free packs of trees are to be made available through the Woodland Trust- an interest in the scheme is to be registered.
- A list of proposed training events to be offered by LALC/SLCC was circulated. PM explained that there is a push from central government for all parish councillors to be trained. Increased responsibility and greater time given to council duties would seem likely in the future

**1525 Administration**

Consideration of the Memorial Hall Committee's suggestions for alterations to the hall:-

(1)to build porches over the two front doors to give more shelter and to reduce heat loss, especially from the main entrance, therefore saving on energy bills. This would be subject to planning consent. Some points that the Council felt needed to be given careful consideration were the restriction of access,

especially for the disabled, but also for moving large items in and out of the building; fire safety because these are fire exit doors; the possible restriction of access for vehicles in front of the hall; the design of the porches so that they are in-keeping with the building. As the requested proposed design for the porches had not been received a decision was deferred.

(2) storage; the Memorial Hall Committee is considering whether storage space could be constructed inside the main hall or beneath the floor of the main hall. The Committee is also looking into the use of a shipping container at the back of the hall - details required before further consideration can be given.

#### 1526 Financial Matters

Resolution: to accept the monthly report of receipts and payments presented by the clerk.

Current Account £2,328.58 Savings Account £37,812.75

Confirmation of the payment of 50% of the football ground summer grass cutting costs

Resolution: to confirm this payment as it is in the lease agreement with Slyne with Hest Football Club

Consideration of the renewal of the clerk's membership of the Society of Local Council Clerks; the subscription for 2011 is £118.

Resolution: to agree to the renewal of the membership and to pay the fee in full.

#### 1527 Payment of Accounts

Resolution: to authorise the transfer of £2,500 from the Savings Account to the Current Account This differs from the amount stated on the agenda and is necessary to enable the immediate payment of the invoice from M N Dodd Ltd for the burial ground roof repairs (minute ref. 1500). Payment to be recorded on next agenda and minutes.

Resolution: to pay the accounts as listed

DD	BT	174.77	telephone bill
	Alliance & Leicester (Santander)	10.00	stopped cheque
Chq 101342	EON	6.18	electricity bill- burial ground
101343	Alltite Metal Roofing Systems Ltd	313.17	sheets for roof of burial ground building
101344	Mr M Ashton	776.77	materials for various open spaces jobs
101345	C'forth & District Chamber of Trade	48.00	Christmas trees
101346	Mr R McGuire	128.00	groundskeeper's pay
101347	Mrs D Brookes	773.27	clerk's salary
101348	Cllr P Millard	31.20	travelling expenses
101349	Petty cash	43.84	sundry items
101350	Slyne with Hest Football Club	256.88	50% of summer grass cutting costs
101351	Society of Local Council Clerks	118.00	clerk's membership fee

#### 1528 Open Spaces

Development of the Recreation Field and way forward for managing the project; following the discussions at the previous meeting and more information from the Lancashire County Council Projects Team, further consideration was given to establishing a committee to take the project forward. As this needs to be separate from the Council but fully constituted with a bank account, it was suggested that the May Fair Committee could possibly take this on. A meeting of the May Fair Committee is planned for 11 January 2011, PM and JL intend to be present and this proposal will be put to that Committee.

#### 1529 Highways

Drainage problem at Sea View Drive snicket; this has been reported to the Council by a local resident. This issue has been looked at in the past but the problem is that there is no definitive ownership of the snicket although the Council does carry out occasional maintenance work. It was decided that the Council does not have the funds to carry out any drainage work but the problem would be looked at again if and when funds became available.

1530 **Planning Applications**

Application No.

10/01204/VCN Slyne Caravan Park, Bottomdale Road, Slyne, LA2 6BG

This application is for the variation of condition 1 on application 01/00019/FUL to allow the site to open all year round. It was felt that there was a potential for all-year-round opening to greatly change the character of the site and could lead to it becoming a site of permanent residence. Also it was foreseen that the proposal by the applicant to maintain a register of main home addresses of owners/occupiers of properties would be very difficult to monitor.

It was decided to reiterate the remarks made in response to the original application, that is, a strong objection to the major change from short stay holiday homes to permanent homes; do not wish to see the site developed as a commercial residential site and concern about the likelihood of generating more traffic adding to the hazards on Bottomdale Road.

10/00720/LB The Coach house, Beaumont Grange, Kellet Lane, Slyne, LA2 6BJ

This application seems to be within planning guidance and no issues were raised.

Notification of permission granted

10/00959/FUL 69, Hest Bank Lane, Hest Bank, LA2 6BS

10/01081/FUL Slieve Na Mon, Hasty Brow Road, Slyne, LA2 6AG

Prior approval not required

10/01096/PAM Transmitting Station, Ancliffe Lane, Slyne, LA2 6BQ

1531 **Foreshore**

Improvement of the drainage; although requested, no further information about the quotation had been received -deferred to next meeting

1532 **Burial Ground**

Work has been carried out to clear some vegetation from the proposed new burial area but this is restricted until the outcome of the application to remove conditions attached to the planning consent is known. It is understood the some survey work has been carried out but no details have been received -deferred

1533 **Matters suggested by members for future consideration**

PM -forthcoming council elections

1534 **Parish Plan Review**

A preliminary meeting is to be held on Monday 24 January 2011 at 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall. All those who have already shown an interest are to be invited and the meeting will be advertised on posters throughout the village, in the winter edition of the Newsletter, on the parish website and through the local press correspondent.

1535 **Date of next meeting** Monday 17 January 2011 at 7.30pm

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.55pm