

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SLYNE WITH HEST PARISH COUNCIL
held on MONDAY 19 NOVEMBER 2007 in the MEMORIAL HALL**

Cllrs present Mr Stephen Jones (SJ) -Chairman, Mrs Andrea Johnson (AJ), Mr Carl Willett (CW), Miss June Cohen-Kingsley (JC-K), Mr Julian Newbold (JN) from 9.15pm

Clerk Mrs Doreen Brookes (DB)

1016 **Apologies** Cllr Peter Millard, Cllr S Scothern,

1017 **Declaration of Interest** Cllr Willett - Memorial Hall lease

Standing orders were suspended

Open Forum

Police and Communities Together (PACT) meeting -Pc Lowe's report

- During the previous month 13 crimes had been committed, an increase of 3 on the same period last year, also there had been one incident of youth related anti-social behaviour.
- Illegal parking on Marine Drive continued to be monitored and 2 tickets had been issued. It was agreed that the 'no parking' cones and the reports in the local press had been effective in making people more aware of the restrictions.

City Cllr M Thomas reported that there is to be a meeting of the Lancaster City Council Canal Task Force on Thursday 22 November at Morecambe Town Hall and Parish Councils' input is invited. At least one representative of this parish will try to attend.

Pc Lowe, Cllr Thomas and Mr Leach left the meeting. Standing orders were reinstated.

1018 **Minutes of the previous meeting**

It was resolved to accept these and approve them as a true record.

1019 **Financial Matters**

It was agreed to accept the monthly receipts and expenditure report presented by the clerk.

Current Account, £2,036.75, Savings Account £28,458.78

Resolution: to make a donation (Section 137) of £50 to the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.

Resolution: to spend not more than £56 on buying additional plants for the tubs.

Resolution: to purchase and erect Christmas trees outside the Memorial Hall, maximum spending £50.

Resolution: to endorse the purchase of materials for fencing round the children's play equipment (ref 995). Total cost £1574.27 (inc. VAT)

Resolution: to vire the budget funding of £1500 for renewal of the tarmac outside the Scout Hut to the recreation field improvement scheme.

1020 **Payment of accounts**

Resolution: to transfer £2000 from the Savings Account to the Current Account

Resolution: to pay the accounts as listed

DD	Lancaster City Council	14.00	burial ground rates, 7 th instalment
DD	BT	127.90	phone bill
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100999	Lancaster City Council	29.96	monthly play equipment inspection
101001	Lancaster City Council	358.08	grass cutting
101002	Mrs D Brookes	758.70	clerk's salary and expenses

101003	Petty cash	39.32	sundry items
101004	RBL Poppy Appeal	50.00	(\$137) donation, including cost of two wreaths
101005	Timber Care	1574.27	purchase of materials for fencing round play area
101006	Lancs County Training Partnership	150.00	fee for clerk's training course
101007	SLCC-CiLCA	70.00	registration fee

1021 Foreshore

Garage on foreshore land; a valuation of the land had been sought but the outcome was still awaited-deferred until valuation received

Dyke adjacent to Caravan Park; the copy of the report by independent chartered valuation surveyors obtained by Shorefield Owners Co-op Ltd was discussed; no decision taken, further clarification of the measurements and position of the dyke to be looked at, as at the present time, by inspection of the site, a straight line to indicate the boundary could not be drawn.

1022 Burial Ground

Proposed policy for memorial seats; some advice had been obtained and in the light of this the clerk will make amendments to the policy; deferred to next meeting for further consideration.

Improvements to the entrance; the Planning Officer had been contacted but further information is still awaited; decision deferred until this is in place.

Consideration of outline plan for improvements for disabled access; draft produced by clerk and previously sent to members; this is a plan to cover the next 4-5 years; costs to be considered for inclusion in budget.

It had been reported that a need had arisen to reduce the number of moles because their activity is undermining several graves and memorials and causing damage. It was therefore agreed under urgent measures to ask the lengthsman to arrange to have the work carried out.

1023 Open Spaces

Recreation field; proposals to provide a path to the play area-

1. from Community Service -path constructed from hard core and quarry bottoms, estimated cost of materials £500, Community Service providing labour
2. from the lengthsman -boardwalk type constructed from timber, estimated cost of materials £1500, cost of labour will depend on Community Service having some input and whether the lengthsman will need extra hours outside his normal allocation.

Further details of suitability and costs to be sought, also clerk to speak to Community Service and the lengthsman regarding having tests carried out on the ground because of the ongoing problem of its wet condition.

Agreed to look at including some provision in the next budget for this work to be done.

Play equipment inspection -copy of recent report having been given in advance to all councillors- comments noted and aware of need to continue to monitor any problems. Cost of improvements to the surfaces and to the equipment to be taken into account when setting the budget.

Improvement of marking of disabled parking space outside the Memorial Hall: - *CW declared an interest as one of the Parish Council's representatives on the Slyne with Hest Memorial Hall committee* - Councillors had been provided with details of the cost of £44.25 for the marking strips

Resolution: to purchase the materials (under power S137) and ask the lengthsman to carry out the work.

Risk assessment-annual inspection of land owned by the Parish Council, it was agreed to use the same forms and format as last year; allocated areas as previously; forms to be returned by January meeting.

1024 Memorial Hall

CW declared an interest as one of the Parish Council's representatives on the Slyne with Hest Memorial Hall committee.

Terms and conditions for renewal of lease in April 2008; length of term 25 years (ref 1008): the following was decided - rent to remain as at present, £5 per annum; omit clause 3.12 because, since the present lease was written, it has been discovered that the mentioned conveyance relates to the field and not to the premises; to amend the attached plan to incorporate more land adjacent to the present building to accommodate proposed extensions to the premises; to have the names of the leaseholders changed because two of them are no longer members of the Slyne with Hest Memorial Hall Charity.

1025 Leases

Slyne with Hest Football Club; Resolution: to grant a lease commencing on 1st April 2007 on the terms reached by agreement and the Chairman to formally sign the document on behalf of the Council.

Slyne with Hest Bowling Club; written response with comments on draft lease awaited-deferred to next meeting.

1026 Planning Applications

Application No.

07/01458/FUL

revisions to scheme approved by application no 06/01337/FUL including erection of a dormer to the rear and revised roof pitches for E & K Livermore, 20 Hest Bank Lane LA2 6DB
strong objection to the further development of this property; addition of a dormer to the rear and increased roof height will make it over dominant for the site and out of keeping, will set a new precedent for height of buildings in this area. Original application was for extension of a bungalow but development has grown with complete demolition of the bungalow, contrary to the original consent; new property will be completely different from first proposed. This type of development with precedents being set is changing the nature of the village and is contrary to the statement in the Village Design Statement (2006)

07/01574/FUL

erection of a rear dormer
for Mr W Roberts, 18 Manor Road, LA2 6JY no comments

07/01359/FUL
amendments

amend roof from and reduce rear extension
for Mr David Chapman, 7 Rushley Drive, LA2 6EF no comments

07/01501/FUL &
07/01502/LB

erection of a single storey porch extension with a detached single storey smoking shelter
for Marstons Pub Company, Slyne Lodge, 92 main Road, LA2 6AZ no comments

07/01475/FUL

erection of a rear conservatory
for Mrs Harrison and Mr Waring, 25 Sunningdale Avenue, LA2 5DF no comments

07/01525/FUL

change of use of part of shop unit to a 1 bedroom flat and creating a smaller retail/office unit with alterations to elevation
for Mr D Dixon, 2 Manor Road, LA2 6JY
some concern about loss of retail unit and conversion to small unit which would have limited potential for retail use and would seem more likely to become an office unit; retail outlets rather than offices more beneficial to village. Also concern about cramped space in proposed flat.

07/01562/FUL

installation of 2no new rooflights
for Kitchin Builders, 10 The Crescent, LA2 6DP no comments

07/01449/AD

erection of a farm storage building
for Mr N Casson, Proposed Storage Barn, Kellet Lane no comments

07/01533/Ful

erection of a conservatory to the side
for Mrs C McMillan, 21 Hatlex Lane, LA2 6EU
no objections to the erection of a conservatory provided that it is in keeping with the style of the property. This is one of the more important large properties in the parish and the Council would like to see the application referred to the City Council Conservation Officer for his comments.

Applications granted

07/00929/FUL	St John's Hospice, Lancaster Road, LA2 6AW
07/01129/FUL	Mr J Rowley, 24 Hanging Green Lane, LA2 6JB
07/01157/FUL	Mr & Mrs Curwen, Meadowside, Lancaster Road, LA2 6AN
07/01171/FUL	Mr & Mrs Rowlinson, Aikrigg, Hest Bank Lane, LA2 6AH
07/01193/LB	
and 07/01192/FUL	Dr & Mrs Ingham, Little Grange, LA2 6AU
07/01201/FUL	Mr Parkinson, 49 Hest Bank Lane, LA2 6DB

Refusal of planning permission

07/011754/CU	Mr & Mrs J Clough, Sherbourne, Lancaster Road, LA2 6AN
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1027 **Highways**

Hest Bank /Morecambe cycle link; still awaiting information from Lancaster Locals Committee meeting

1028 **Quality Parish Council**

Production and distribution of a at least quarterly newsletter; costs to be considered for incorporation into next year's budget

1029 **Matters introduced by members for future consideration**

For information only

SJ reported a problem with streetlights on Hest Bank Lane, also need for a litter bin at the bus shelter near to Shady Lane

JC-K reported a streetlight out on Coastal Road and concern about cleanliness of toilets on the foreshore

CW concerns about condition of parish notice boards

1030 **Date of next meeting**

Monday 17 December 2007 at 7.30pm

The meeting closed at 9.20pm

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