# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SLYNE WITH HEST PARISH COUNCIL held on MONDAY 15 OCTOBER 2018 in the MEMORIAL HALL

Councillors present Mr Stewart Scothern - Chairman, Mr Roland Stretch, Mr Stephen Jones,

Miss June Cohen-Kingsley, Mrs Tracey Scott

Clerk Mrs Doreen Brookes

## 2629 To receive apologies for absence none

#### Open Forum

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

<u>Present for the Open Forum:</u> County Cllr Stuart Morris, City Cllr M Thomas, City Cllr S Rogerson Cllr Morris reported that he was making some progress with issues that had been brought to his attention.

- Enquiries have been made about the possibility of reducing the speed limit on the A5105 to 30 mph.
- Following a serious accident at the Hasty Brow/Hest Bank Lane junction, County Council Highways are to be asked to look at improving the road markings and signage.
- Parked vehicles at the southern end of Hest Bank Lane, reducing the road width, remain a cause for concern.
- Cllr Thomas reported that residents had raised concerns about the parking of cars all day at the top of Manor Lane. The restriction of the road width is causing problems for buses turning into Manor Lane. as well as difficulties for other road users.

The visitor left the meeting and Standing Orders were reinstated

#### 2630 To record Declarations of Interest none

#### 2631 Minutes of the previous meeting

<u>Resolution:</u> to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 17 September 2018, They were duly signed by the Chairman.

## 2632 **Progress Reports** (for information only)

- The Annual Remembrance Service is to be held on Sunday 11 November at 4.00pm
- The new Coastal Road bus shelter is now in place
- Letters have been sent to several householders about overgrowing hedges.
- The tree near Londis store on Manor Road has been trimmed back a little by Lancaster City Council.
- Householders may exercise their Common Law Rights to cut back overgrowing branches of trees on Parish Council land to the boundary of their property but the Council does not wish to set a precedent by offering to do work on trees for individuals.
- A meeting is to be held with an inspector from Fields in Trust regarding designating the Memorial Hall field as a Centenary Field. This would protect the field as an open space in the village. It would seem a fitting way to commemorate the centenary of the end of World War I alongside the Memorial Hall.
- Filming has taken place on the foreshore for a television drama featuring the bay. A donation of £250 has been received from the film company.

#### 2633 Administration

Neighbourhood Plan; contact has been made with Mr Paul Hatch, Planning Officer, Lancaster City Council, because there were several points that the Council was unclear about and a comprehensive reply has been received. The Council is to liaise more closely with the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group and Cllrs Jones and Scott will attend the next NP meeting. There is a number of amendments that the Council wishes to have written into the Plan. Some amendments have been made to Policy 11 by the NP Group and these were given approval. Also the Council feels that a condensed version of the Plan is needed to send out to residents for the consultation.

Lancaster City Council consultation on the Local Plan modifications in relation to the Green Belt; proposals have been put forward to re-align the North Lancashire Green Belt boundary at two sites in the parish. The

intentions are to make re-alignments using robust features to strengthen future Green Belt boundaries; in the case of Sea View Drive, to use the Lancaster Canal as the boundary line and thus removing a small area of land from the Green Belt; and on the western boundary near to Fulwood Drive, Bare, to use the West Coast Main Line as the 'hard boundary', removing an area of land from the Green Belt and changing its designation to open countryside.

The Council has been in discussion with the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group about these proposals. The Council is still committed to the retention of the Green Belt as far as it is feasible to preserve open spaces and openness of the countryside, limit development and safeguard the countryside from excessive encroachment, however after much consideration it was decided that it is not averse to the proposed changes outlined above and the response will be made to Lancaster City Council

Community Development Group; Cllr Scott outlined plans for a Christmas Fayre to be held at the Memorial Hall on Saturday 24 November. There has been a good response for stalls at the event and other possible activities were discussed. It is hoped that this will stimulate interest in the Group and its intentions for improvement of facilities on the recreation field.

Also a survey is to be put on-line and a copy sent to every household in the village to help to ascertain what improvements residents would like to see in the village.

It was agreed to provide a £50 petty cash float for the Group to cover any out-of-pocket expenses.

### 2634 Financial matters

Resolution: to approve the quarterly receipts and payments report presented by the clerk.

Current Account £2258.52 Savings Account £95,178.56

#### 2635 Open Spaces

Recreation field; some concerns have been raised about the exercising of dogs on the recreation field. The enclosed children's play area is designated as a dog free area but the rest of the field is not. Dogs are let off leads and allowed to roam around the field and not all owners are conscientious in controlling the dog or picking up any fouling. Contact is to be made with Mr M Woodhead of Lancaster City Council and to see if any protection order can be put on the field.

Grass cutting and open space maintenance; quotations have been received from Envirocare for work on Parish Council areas and also City Council and County Council maintained areas. Further discussions with City and County Council will be needed to see if agreement can be reached with them for the Council to take over the work and the financial aspects will need to be taken into consideration at the budget meeting.

#### 2636 Burial Ground

A letter has been received containing remarks about the maintenance of the burial ground and care of the plots in the Garden of Remembrance. The Council is entirely satisfied with the work done by the groundsman and the grass cutting contractor and that the whole area is treated with respect.

#### 2637 Planning Applications

Applications received

18/01118/FUL Ashton House Farm, Main Road, Slyne, LA2 6AZ

18/01221/FUL 30 Bay View Avenue, Slyne, LA2 6JS

18/01303/FUL 5 Peacock Crescent, Hest Bank, LA2 6EW

No issues were raised on the above applications

18/01249/VCN 6 Coastal Road, Hest Bank, LA2 6HN

No additional issues were raised to add to the comments made on the original application

18/0159/TPO 23 Hatlex Lane, Hest Bank, LA2 6EZ

No issues were raised providing that the work is carried out to the satisfaction of the Tree Protection Officer.

## Permission granted

18/00630/FUL 2 Aysgarth Drive, Slyne, LA1 2ET
18/00967/FUL 8 Bryn Grove, Hest Bank, LA2 6EX
18/01017/FUL 4 Hayfell Grove, Hest Bank, LA2 6DT
18/01019/FUL & 18/01020/LB Manor Farm, Main Road, Slyne, LA2 6RD

18/01145/FUL 12 Bryn Grove, Hest Bank, LA2 6EX

18/01123/FUL 6 Sunningdale Crescent, Hest Bank, LA2 6DE

18/0132/TPO 25 Hest Bank Lane, LA2 6DG

# 2638 Payment of Accounts

Resolution; to authorise the transfer of £5000 from the Deposit Account to the Current Account

Resolution; to approve the payment of the accounts as listed:

DD	Eon	7.38	electricity bill -burial ground
Cheque 122176	<b>Envirocare Maintenance Solutions</b>	876.00	grounds maintenance -September
122177	Queensbury shelters	3880.80	Coastal Road bus shelter
122178	DAC Beachcroft Claims Ltd	75.00	insurance search fee
122179	Viking	121.89	stationery
122180	Mrs D Brookes	873.30	clerk's salary
122181	Petty cash	67.58	sundry items
122182	HMRC	344.04	PAYE & NIC

## 2639 Matters raised by members for future consideration

none

# 2640 <u>Date of next meeting</u> Monday 19 November 2018 at 7.30pm

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.42pm.