

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SLYNE WITH HEST PARISH COUNCIL
held on MONDAY 16 SEPTEMBER 2019 in the MEMORIAL HALL**

Councillors present Mr Stewart Scothern -Chairman, Mr Roland Stretch, Mr Stephen Jones,
Mrs Tracey Scott, Miss June Cohen-Kingsley,

Clerk Mrs Doreen Brookes

2760 **To receive apologies for absence** Cllr N Whittall

Open Forum

The meeting was adjourned for the Open Forum -Standing Orders were suspended.
There was no attendance for the Open Forum

2761 **To record Declarations of Interest** none

2762 **Minutes of the previous meeting**

Resolution: to approve the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 15 July 2019, along with the record of payments made and the planning applications received in August, as a true record. They were duly signed by the Chairman.

2763 **Progress Reports** *(for information only)*

- Overhanging trees and hedges -several reports have been sent to County Council but not all have yet been actioned.
- It is noted that some work has been done on the Rushley Mount PROW.
- Additional work has been carried out at the foreshore to cut the grass and weeds round the boulders to expose them and reduce the likelihood of falls and possible insurance claims.
- The WWI memorial seat now in place outside the Memorial hall has attracted many favourable comments
- ITV are again using the foreshore for filming 'the Bay' and have offered a donation to the Council.
- Lancaster City Council in conjunction with Lune Valley Flood Forum have invited parish councils to attend a Million Tree Planting Project Open Event at the Storey on Thursday 26th September.
- Parish Council website, Mr D Ruddick has been asked if he will check that the website complies with recent regulations. The hosting agreement for the website has been renewed and the fee paid for two years.
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2764 **Administration**

Neighbourhood Plan; the leaflets have been distributed to every household in the parish and the consultation has begun. Members of the Steering Group attended the September Community Coffee morning and reported a good response. The council has not received any further information about proposed housing development or possible changes to the North Lancashire Green Belt affecting the parish.

Lancaster Local Plan -consultation on modifications: this has been noted but no comments received.

Designation of the Memorial Hall field as a Centenary Field; Fields in Trust have offered a plaque to mark this. Wording for the plaque was discussed but has yet to be confirmed.

Community Christmas event -date decided upon is Saturday 23rd November 2019, 10.00am -2.00pm. This will be held in the Memorial Hall. Cllr Scott is to contact potential stall holders. Input will be from the Community Group and the parish council and further volunteers are to be sought.

Community Summer Event -Saturday 11th July 2020 reserved-meeting of interested parties and volunteers to be arranged.

Annual Remembrance Service -D Brookes will make all the usual arrangements and will set up the hall on the

day but will not be able to be present at the service. Cllr Stretch will be present at the service and will lay one of the wreaths. Further confirmation of arrangements to follow.

2765 Financial matters

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

Current account £4,520.86 Savings account £134,668.06

Annual Audit Return for the year ended 31 March 2019 -this has now been completed by PKF Littlejohn LLP. No matters of concern were raised, however the auditor noted that the notice of public rights and publication of unaudited accounts was dated the same date as the date of approval of the accounts by the council.

Resolution: to approve and accept the audited Annual Return and the auditor's report.

A notice of conclusion of the audit is to be displayed on the main council notice board and posted on the council's website.

Consideration of the insurance policy for 2019/20; the insurance is due for renewal on 1st October 2019.

A quotation has been received from Zurich Municipal Insurance.

Resolution: to accept the terms provided and to take out a policy with Zurich Municipal Insurance and to agree to pay the premium of £1138.51 for the one year cover.

2766 Open Spaces

Recreation field; drainage work has been completed as far as possible, however some restoration work on the surface of the field still needs to be completed. Further developments are to be left until after winters so that an assessment of the ground can be made. The next phase of development will be considered and in the meantime quotations are to be obtained for a MUGA.

Consideration of a request from Slyne with Hest Football Club for an extension of the land that they lease; an enquiry has been made about the Club taking over a small area of land, currently leased to Mr G Riley, to expand the ground to accommodate an extension of the junior football pitch and to facilitate parking.

Resolution: to agree to this request in principle but to pursue with the Club various issues that this would involve.

2767 Highways

Further consideration of safety issues at Hasty Brow crossroads -also speeding and parking in the parish
The clerk had attended an SLCC meeting at which the experiences of other councils on the installation of signs and safety devices were discussed. It would seem that Lancashire County Council has a new preferred supplier of SPIDs and as would be expected all permission has to be sought through them. The speaker at the next SLCC meeting in December is from a firm supplying solar powered safety devices and D Brookes will report on that.
- left in abeyance.

Concern about vegetation growing along roads, in gutters and on pavements, overgrowing trees obscuring lights and signs and general untidiness of the parish -several reports have been sent to Lancashire County Council and in some cases work is purported to have been done. However from observation and local knowledge little action would appear to have been taken. Disappointment and dissatisfaction of the lack of action is to be conveyed to County Council.

2768 Foreshore

Consideration of drainage and some restoration work on the hardstanding areas -Cllr Stretch and D Brookes met with Duncan Ross to discuss the issues and to request a quotation. The latter has not yet been received. If this arrives before the next meeting, the Chairman, Deputy Chairman and Clerk were given authority to agree to proceed with the work if the quotations is within expectations.

Consideration of a request for a memorial bench to be placed on the foreshore; the applicant will be informed of the council's policy for memorial benches and asked to complete an application form. The plan of the foreshore will be consulted and a decision will need to be made on how many benches are to be installed on the foreshore.

2769 **Planning Applications**

Applications received

19/00683/FUL Williamsland Farm, Hasty Brow, Slyne, LA2 6AE

19/0117/TPO St Lukes Church, Shady Lane, Hest Bank

19/0120/TPO 11 Peacock Crescent, Hest Bank, LA2 6EW

Applications permitted

19/00833/FUL 2 Throstle Walk, Slyne, LA2 6LD

19/00868/FUL 8 Bay View Avenue, Slyne, LA2 6JR

19/00874/FUL 5 Orchard Close, Slyne, LA2 6BP

19/00810/ADV & 19/00844/LB The Keys, Main Road, Slyne, LA2 6AU

19/00964/FUL 9 Sea View Drive, Hest Bank, LA2 6BY

Application refused

19/00863/FUL 4 Bryn Grove, Hest Bank, LA2 6EX

2770 **Payment of Accounts**Resolution: to authorise the transfer of £2000.00 from the Deposit Account to the Current AccountResolution: to approve the payment of the accounts as listed:

	DD	Eon	25.54	electricity bill -burial ground
Cheque	122253	Mr M Holmes (ref Promotional Gods)	60.00	Neighbourhood Plan additional leaflets
	122254	Envirocare Maintenance Solutions Ltd	948.00	grass cutting August + additional work
	122255	Mrs D Brookes	851.90	clerk's salary
	122256	Petty cash	10.32	postage
	122257	Mr S Brade	401.44	groundsman's pay + maintenance expenses
	122258	Mr D Ruddick	263.74	ref Namesco Ltd website hosting
	122259	Printing Plus	236.27	village newsletter printing
	122260	Zurich Insurance	1138.51	insurance premium

2771 **Matters raised by members for future consideration**

None

2772 **Date of next meeting**Monday 21st October 2019 at 7.30pm

The meeting was declared closed at 8.55pm