



MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:
4th October 2017
7.30pm

Methodist Church, School Room, Moss House Lane

PRESENT: Cllr A Taylor, Cllr M Gelder, Cllr D Fenton, Cllr R Gelder, Cllr N Woodcock

IN ATTENDANCE: Russ Weaver. Clerk to the Parish Council

No.	Item
1.	<p>Apologies for Absence Cllr C Cowburn, Cllr T Brown, Cllr E Houghton(Chair)</p> <p>In the absence of the Chairman, Cllr Taylor as Vice Chairman assumed the Chair. The new Clerk was welcomed by the Council</p>
2.	<p>Declaration of Interests and Dispensations</p> <p>Cllr Taylor declared his interest as a trustee of the Village Hall and dispensation given</p>
3.	<p>Minutes of previous meetings</p> <p>It was RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting on 6th September 2017 be signed as a true and accurate record</p> <p>It was RESOLVED that the minutes of the extraordinary meeting of 12th September 2017 be signed as a true and accurate record</p>
4.	<p>Amended Minutes of previous meeting</p> <p>It was RESOLVED that the amended minutes of the meeting on 9th August 2017 be signed as a true and accurate record</p>
5.	<p>Public Time</p> <p>One member of the public attended and expressed his appreciation of the Council's support for the Village Hall</p> <p>A letter from a member of the public was provided to the Council expressing a number of contrary views regarding the village hall. As it was sent to the previous clerk and tabled at the meeting, it was deferred to the next meeting for discussion, with an agreement that the Clerk would acknowledge receipt and notify the author of the letter of the Council's intentions</p>
6.	<p>Off road cycle track</p> <p>It was noted that Cllr Taylor had undertaken and arranged for work to maintain the surface and deal with some litter. It was confirmed that the grass had been cut and it was RESOLVED that the Clerk release payment to Mr Bannister who undertook the work.</p>
7.	<p>Finance</p> <p>The Council was given a verbal update on the amounts in each of the Council's accounts.</p> <p>It was RESOLVED that the previous clerk be removed from the bank mandates and CCLA and be replaced with the new Clerk Mr Russ Weaver</p> <p>It was moved by Cllr R Gelder, seconded by Cllr Taylor that £150,000 be transferred from the deposit account into the CCLA account. It was RESOLVED that the said sum could be transferred by the Clerk.</p>

8.	Much Hoole Village Hall update	A report outlining progress of the Village Hall build was presented and noted
9.	Road safety on the A59 and Liverpool Old Road, Much Hoole	An email from Maggie Isherwood (LCC Highways) replying to concerns raised by residents and the Council was presented to the meeting and noted
10.	Grass cutting	Cllr R Gelder reported that FP30 was overgrown and required strimming. Cllr Gelder had ascertained that Mr Bannister would undertake the work for £25. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk contact Mr Bannister and arrange for the work to be done.
11.	Planning Applications	<p>Planning applications 07/2017/2822/VAR and 07/2017/2849/FUL were noted</p> <p>The letter of objection sent to SRBC planning following the meeting of 6th September was noted</p> <p>The consequences of planning decisions around the Smithy Inn in relation to parking issues and lack of parking capacity was discussed. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk would write to SRBC planning expressing the Council's concerns over road safety.</p>
12.	Local meetings	<p>A report from Cllr M Gelder was received highlighting the issues discussed at the LALC South Ribble area meeting held on the 14th September 2017. The report was noted.</p> <p>It was noted that a Police PACT meeting will be held on 6th November 2017. Cllr Woodcock indicated he would attend if possible</p> <p>Cllr M Gelder apprised the Council of the forthcoming Western Parishes in Bloom event , commencing in March 2018 and judging taking place in June 2018.</p>
13.	Village notice board	Cllr Taylor undertook to install the (already purchased) notice board at the Methodist burial ground. Cllr Gelder will liaise with Cllr Taylor to determine the agreed location
14.	Items for next agenda	<p>Consideration of letter as per item 5 of this minute</p> <p>Maintenance work required on Trafalgar garden</p> <p>To receive preparatory information to support the setting of a draft budget for 2018/19</p>
15.	Date of next meeting	<p>It was RESOLVED that future meetings be held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month</p> <p>It was RESOLVED the next meeting would be in the same location at 7.30 on Wednesday 8th November 2017</p>