

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SLYNE WITH HEST PARISH COUNCIL  
held on MONDAY 21 OCTOBER 2019 in the MEMORIAL HALL**

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

Clerk Mrs Doreen Brookes

2773 **To receive apologies for absence** Cllr S Jones

**Open Forum**

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

**Present for the Open Forum:** City Cllr M Thomas

- Cllr Thomas reported that he had been in touch with Mr Mark Davies of Lancaster City Council concerning the weeds and grass growing in gutters, drainage problems and flooding and it would seem that City Council now have three new machines to deal with gutter cleaning and a new programme of operation is being rolled out across the district.
- The Lancaster District Plan has not yet been finally approved and as yet there have been no changes to the North Lancashire Green Belt. A number of developers have been looking at sites in the area, several of which are within the Green Belt.
- Three new PCSOs have been allocated to the rural areas north, south and east of Lancaster.

Cllr Thomas left the meeting and Standing Orders were reinstated.

2774 **To record Declarations of Interest** none

2775 **Minutes of the previous meeting**

**Resolution:** to approve the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 16 September 2019 as a true record. They were duly signed by the Chairman.

2776 **Progress Reports** *(for information only)*

- General village maintenance -Cllr Scothern and the clerk have both sent messages to City & County Council expressing concern about the state of the parish, for example, overgrowing trees, weeds in gutters, maintenance of drains, but there seems to have been little action.
- ITV The Bay camera team will be on the foreshore between 26<sup>th</sup> October and 7<sup>th</sup> November. Another donation has been offered.
- Lancaster City Council Million Tree Planting initiative -the clerk attended the open meeting at the Storey
- Community Connector Manager -this is a new appointment by Lancaster City Council to encourage liaison with the community and to offer support to rural areas.
- The Annual Remembrance Service will be held on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November at 4.00pm in the Memorial Hall. The clerk will make all the necessary arrangements but unfortunately will not be able to attend this year.

2777 **Administration**

The consultation on the Neighbourhood Plan is progressing well and members of the Steering Group are co-ordinating the responses. A number of residents had attended the open part of the Steering Group meeting with concerns about possible development plans for land off Sea View Drive.

It is a requirement that a Consultation Statement is prepared following the consultation and this will need to be approved by the parish council.

A plaque has been received for the Memorial Hall Centenary field. It was decided that it should be erected on the edge of the field in front of the large tree just beyond the car park.

Christmas Fair arranged by the Community Group on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November in the Memorial Hall; arrangements are progressing well and many stalls already booked. It is hoped that more volunteers will come forward to help.

Summer event in 2020; an open meeting is to be held on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November at 7.00pm to discuss a format. Village organisations are to be invited to send a representative. The meeting will be advertised in the village.

**2778 Financial matters**

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

Current account £2441.41          Savings account £132,668.06

Half-year independent internal audit meeting was postponed and a report will be available at the next council meeting.

It was noted that an invoice for £120 had been received from Lancaster City Council in reference to the parish elections held in May. It would seem that the City Council now has a policy of charging for election administration.

**2779 Open Spaces**

Recreation field; drainage work -after the recent heavy rain, there was some flooding on the field but in general it is draining very quickly. Extra flood water caused by blocked drains at the telephone exchange is to be looked into. Duncan Ross Ltd have fitted extra pipes into the lateral drains in the pond area but an extra drain along with the construction of a soakaway is required to deal with the volume of water, -estimate for pipes £950.00 and for soakaway £700.00.

Also a gully is required at both sides of the path near to the zip wire to deal with excessive water coming on to the site and flooding the path and surrounding area, -estimate £215.00

Resolution: to accept the estimates totalling £1865.00 and to request that the work is carried out as soon as possible.

MUGA -quotations have been received from Duncan Ross £56,723.51 +VAT and from Sovereign Playgrounds £73,461.50+VAT. As work on a MUGA cannot commence until the drainage is fully resolved, these will be considered at a later date.

Slyne with Hest Football Club's request for additional land; contact has been made with the Club and it has been suggested that further talks with the Council are needed and that perhaps a representative would like to attend a council meeting -a reply is awaited.

**2780 Foreshore**

Drainage work; an estimate has been received from Duncan Ross Ltd for a gully on Shore Road to help to alleviate the flooding near to the café; -£975.00+VAT.

Resolution: to accept the estimate and to request that the work is carried out as soon as possible.

Two recent requests for memorial benches to be placed on the foreshore; it was decided that, before confirming agreement to the applications, the number of seats and their positions needs to be looked at and an inspection of the foreshore is to be arranged.

**2781 Highways**

The dissatisfaction of the Council on the lack of action to improve maintenance of roads and open spaces has been conveyed to Lancashire County Council but as yet no response has been received. Contact with Lancaster City Council has also been made -see Open Forum- by City Cllr Thomas and by the Council and action is awaited.

Traffic safety and speeding problems are still on-going; once again contact is to be made with St Luke's School because of the perceived dangers of inconsiderate parking outside the school.

**2782 Planning Applications**

Applications received

19/01258/FUL 18 Rushley Mount, Hest Bank, LA2 6DU

No issues raised on the above application

19/0141/TPO 21A Hest Bank Lane, Hest Bank, LA2 6DG

Concerns were raised about the number of trees that the applicant wishes to fell and whether felling is really necessary.

Applications permitted

19/00912/FUL 8 Hatlex Drive, Hest Bank, LA2 6HA

19/0117/TPO St Luke's Church, Shady Lane, Hest Bank

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

19/0108/TPO The Lodge, 92 Main Road, Slyne, LA2 6AZ

An application also received and noted

19/01301/EIO from Taylor Wimpey

Land south of the Bay Gateway, north of Green Lane, Lancaster canal and Beaumont College and east and west of the A6 Lancaster.

EIA scoping request for a proposed residential-led mixed use of development comprising of up to 500 dwellings(C3), employment land (B1 use class), a new local centre (A1-A5, C2, D1 and D2 use classes and a primary school (D2 use class).

2783 **Payment of Accounts**

Resolution: to authorise the transfer of £25,000.00 from the Deposit Account to the Current Account

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

cheque	122262	Duncan Ross Ltd	20933.29	recreation field drainage
	122263	Envirocare Maintenance Solutions	876.00	grounds maintenance -Sept
	122264	Lune Cleaning Company	30.02	bus shelter cleaning
	122265	Viking	188.40	stationery & cartridges
	122266	Mrs D Brookes	889.72	salary & expenses
	122267	Petty cash	70.07	sundry items/pc repair
	122268	HMRC	310.99	PAYE & NIC
	122269	Mr S Brade	186.00	groundsman's pay
	122270	SHMH	414.50	reimbursement for incorrect receipt

2784 **Matters raised by members for future consideration**

None

2785 **Date of next meeting**

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2019 at 7.30pm

The meeting was declared closed at 9.10pm