

## Forton Parish Council

### Minutes of the Forton Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 1 July 2019 at 7.00pm in The Pavilion, School Lane

Present: Cllrs Huddart, Young and Stewart  
Wyre Cllr Leech County Cllr Salter L Hall - Clerk to the Parish Council  
8 residents

#### **1093. APOLOGIES**

Apologies received from Cllrs McLoughlin and Dodgson. A resident had come forward to join the Parish Council – Mrs Taylor was nominated by Cllr Huddart and seconded by Cllr Stewart. The Clerk to forward the necessary documents to Mrs Taylor for completion.

#### **1094. NOTIFICATION OF INTERESTS**

Councillors were asked to disclose any pecuniary and non pecuniary interests on matters to be considered at this meeting. None were raised.

#### **1095. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

*Resolved: The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 3 June 2019, were previously circulated to members. The minutes were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.*

#### **1096. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Cllr Leech had attended a meeting with the Parish Councillors, Mr Adams and Cllr Salter regarding the Local Plan. It was encouraging that both Councillors are now involved.

Cllr Salter has contacted the LCC Officer regarding the junction at School Lane and he will review the information. Cllr Salter will forward any update information he receives to the Clerk. Mr Adams said that HSL have always advised that the junction of the A6/School Lane has capacity and has been investigated by Croft, the HSL transport company. Cllr Salter will query if road surveys have been carried out on the A6 and when.

Cllr Salter advised that Garstang Police Station is now manned by response officers and the Community Engagement Officer is the one who should attend meetings/provide information to PCs. Cllr Huddart said she will query at the next LALC meeting.

A resident raised their concerns regarding the Greycot Planning Application with regard to size, footage, height, visual impact and access issues. There is multi ownership of the track and this is in their deeds. It is proposed that the new property is built on top of a field drain. Highways need to put in their views regarding the access to and from the track.

There were also concerns regarding flooding at Haightlands, Greenwood and Laburnum.

A resident raised concern regarding the hedges on Wallace Lane that they felt had been severely cut back, the resident had consulted the Wyre Tree and Woodland Officer. A resident advised that the hedges are cut back twice a year on the road side if it is a traffic issue and to maintain visibility.

#### **1097. MASTERPLAN**

The PC are currently looking at the junction of the A6/School Lane, it is also focussing on the bus stop and interconnection between both sides of the A6. They are reviewing statistics and a traffic flow survey that was carried out at Cabus with a view to challenging the information provided by HSL. A Land Owner meeting is imminent when details of the public consultation will be discussed.

**1098. PARISH REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS WITH SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES**

To receive reports from Councillors/Village Groups:-

Parish Maintenance – the flower group are looking after the tubs around the village which are blooming. The gate at Cockerham Rd was discussed and it was agreed to get a quote for replacement. A resident has replaced boards at the pond and will submit a bill in due course. The compost bin has also been removed. A stile on the A6 was raised as unsafe, Cllr Salter will raise this with LCC PROW. If strimming is required around stiles money has been received from LCC to carry out this task.

*Resolved: Clerk get a quote for the gate at Cockerham Rd.*

Website – the website is currently being updated.

LVRHA & LALC – meetings scheduled for August.

VH&RGC – The next meeting is scheduled for 8 July, concern was raised regarding the play area and an accident that had occurred with a young child at Field Day.

**1099. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The following applications were discussed:-

**Application Number: 19/00529/FUL** Proposal: Erection of detached dwelling with garage

Location: Greycot Hollins Lane Forton Preston Lancashire

6 resident objection letters had been received, the PC strongly objected to the application. Cllr Huddart will provide a draft to the Clerk to forward to Planning.

*Resolved: The Clerk to advise Planning of the Objections to this application.*

**Application Number: 19/00545/REMAJ** Proposal: Reserved matters application (appearance and landscaping) following outline application 18/00906/OUTMAJ for the erection of 38 dwellings

Location: Land Bound By A6 And Hollins Lane Forton Lancashire PR3 0BL

The PC had no objections, however the Clerk is to query ownership of the Public Open space. Will it be managed, formally handed over to the PC or put in trust to local residents.

*Resolved: The Clerk to query regarding future ownership of the public open space.*

**Application Number: 19/00570/AGR** Proposal: Prior notification for erection of a replacement agricultural building (following demolition of two existing buildings)

Location: Spout House Hollins Lane Forton Lancaster Lancashire

The PC had been notified regarding this application but no comment was necessary.

**Application Number: 18/00100/FULMAJ** Proposal: Erection of 6 No. holiday Waterside lodges/cabins

Location: Field To South Of Clifton House Farm Stony Lane Clifton Hill Forton  
The PC discussed the application and agreed to resend the original letter of objection, as the points remained the same.

*Resolved: The Clerk to forward the objection letter to Planning.*

Cllr Young had received information from Wyre regarding Greenwoods field which requested a reply by 10 July, he is currently checking if he can forward the information to residents of Hollins Lane.

**1100. FINANCE**

The following payments have been made:

1. Clerk Expenses – May	£ 18.00
2. Laburnum – village plants	£282.72
3. Viking – stationery	£ 54.56
4. Colin Cross – June/July V Voice	£341.00
5. Clerks Salary – June	£241.60 by standing order 1.7.19

The following invoices require payment:

6. Clerk Expenses – June	£ 34.40
7. Mr Adams – ink cartridge	£ 84.98
8. Cllr Huddart – ink cartridge	£ 17.99
9. Cllr Young – ink cartridge	£ 31.99
10. Internal Auditor Voucher	£100.00

The following Village Voice Payments have been received: A Dunderdale, Middle Holly, Pennine Garage, I Tomlinson, Dove Kitchens, Cabus Autos, Countryside Flooring, T Robin, D C Wilson and T&K Pye. The PROW local delivery scheme opt in payment £250 had also been received.

The bank reconciliation to 31 May was given at the meeting. The quarterly summary of income and expenditure had been previously circulated to the Councillors. It was agreed the Clerk should transfer £15,000 to the bonus saver account.

The Internal Auditor report had been circulated to Councillors. It was noted that Mr Wilkinson is willing to continue to undertake the internal audit review to 31 March 2020. He has suggested that the war memorial be included in the asset register with a value of £14,210 (insurance value) – the Clerk to amend this. The Clerk to also review the asset register and items contained within it.

*Resolved: The above financial transactions were agreed. The Clerk to carry out actions following the internal audit report and report back to Mr Wilkinson.*

#### **1101. HANDYMAN**

This item was covered earlier in the meeting.

#### **1102. PARISH COUNCILLOR VACANCIES**

Mrs Taylor had been agreed as a co-opted Councillor. One other person has enquired. The Clerk to query whether this person is on the electoral role.

*Resolved: The Clerk to query if a resident is on the electoral role.*

#### **1103. AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING**

Any items that will need a resolution will be deferred to the next meeting and placed on the Agenda to allow information on the subject to be gathered. Councillors can report defective street lighting, potholes, blocked drains etc. to the Clerk at any time and these will be taken up with the appropriate authorities. The following were requested to be on the next agenda – Children's Play Area.

There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 9.00pm.

Chairman: .....

Date: .....

**The next meeting will be held on Monday, 2 September 2019 in the Pavilion at 7.00pm.**