

Forton Parish Council

Minutes of the Forton Parish Council Meeting held at Methodist Church Hall, Hollins Lane on Monday 5th June 2023 at 7pm

Present: Cllrs J Huddart, Dodgson, Wigglesworth, P Young, Borough Cllr C Walker	Note
In attendance: Mrs H Alcock - Clerk & Responsible Finance Officer.	Note
1704. Apologies for Absence: Cllr S Tresilian, J Farebrother, PCSO Denise Creighton, County Cllr M Salter, Alice Jesmont.	Note
1705. Notification of Interests No disclosures of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests from Councillors on matters to be considered at the meeting were received.	Note
1706. Minutes of the last Meeting The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 15 th May 2023 were confirmed and signed as a correct record.	Note
1707. Public Participation Three members of the public present. No representatives from County Councillors. Borough Cllr C Walker was welcomed to the meeting. Discussion was held around the recent muck shift by Fox wagons on the persimmon homes land on school lane after a resident had raised concerns over contaminated land being moved. The Clerk was asked to contact Persimmon to ask where the waste is being taken to. Other items discussed included A6 junction with school lane road improvements including refuge islands. A member of the public requested contact details for PCSO Creighton, clerk to arrange for these to be emailed across. A member of the public thanked Cllr Huddart for her recent assistance in contacting LCC Highways regarding the deteriorating roadway outside the Shireshead Church on Whinney Brow Lane. The Clerk confirmed a letter had been sent to Highways on 16 th May, but no response received to date. The Clerk to recirculate the letter to Cllr Huddart and Borough Cllr Walker. A member of the public also raised the issue of the landscaping to the Laurus Homes estate, which is now overgrown with weeds and the roads have not yet been tarmacked, it is likely UU will not adopt until drains issue is resolved.	Clerk Clerk Clerk Note

Cllr Dodgson agreed to contact the Tree Officer at Wyre regarding the sycamore tree overhanging the road opposite Shireshead Crescent after reports of quotes being obtained for branch removal.	Cllr Dodgson
1708. Planning No planning applications to resolve this month. Cllr Young advised that over 100 objections had been lodged relating to the 37 holiday homes on school lane, Parish Council had objected, and Highways have objected on grounds of highway safety. It was noted that planning permission had been refused for the New Holly planning application.	Note
1709. Noticeboards update Cllr Huddart confirmed a quote had been received from Stuart Williams who previously made the noticeboard for the Methodist Church, for £1,380. The Clerk confirmed quotes received last year were approx. £920 but this didn't include for preparing the ground and fixing. Stuart Williams to be instructed to carry out.	Cllr Huddart
1710. Community Hall update Topo survey carried out today, no other updates available.	Note
1711. Progress on Persimmon Homes – Cllr Young Cllr Young provided the following update: - Since the last parish council meeting many residents had a letter from Wyre planners about an amendment application number 22/00735/RELMAJ. This was a document by Persimmon Homes published on 17th May in which they claimed compliance with the Forton masterplan. The Parish Council sent in their response before the deadline of 29th May. On 12th May eleven section plans were published. They show cross sections on the site showing the height differences between houses. On the 24th May united Utilities said they have no objection to the Persimmon Homes drainage plan. This adds to no objection from the Flood Authority and the Wyre Engineer and makes it more likely that the drainage planning condition will be approved – in spite of objections.	Note
1712. Throstles Nest Residents – traffic calming measures UU contacted Cllr Huddart after talking to local residents about the piling works at corner of Whinney Brow Lane, the road closure on Hollins Lane and the widening of the field access opposite the Mammoth Onion site and advised that some of the residents on Throstles Nest had asked if consideration could be given to traffic calming measures, Cllr Huddart to contact with residents to further discuss.	Cllr Huddart
1713. Finance The following payments were checked and agreed: - Easy Website - £27.60 McAfee anti-virus software - £74.99 Wyre Borough Council, green waste subscription - £35 Worms Eye ground investigation - £576 Cllr Young expenses - £51.49 Clerks wages - £356.20	Note

Clerks expenses - £26 Two invoices received from Laburnum Nurseries for plants provided for the village were approved for payment.	
1714. Parish Reports / Issues from Councillors <u>Parish Maintenance</u> Cllr Huddart to contact Andrew Redmayne regarding gate repairs at back of playing field. Footpath 1 wall / stile arrangement (Moorlands Farm to Faulkeners Field) difficult navigating with dogs. Mound appeared on land at Stony Lane in same place as previously reported close to Cadent Gas main. <u>Hollins Lane Update – Flooding /SID sign</u> Reminder to be sent to County Cllr M Salter regarding a response to Flooding in Hollins Lane. <u>Village Hall & Recreation Committee</u> No report received; next meeting postponed to 27.6.23. <u>LALC</u> Next meeting taking place 13.6.23	Note
1715. Clerks Update The Clerk confirmed letters of thanks had been sent to Cllr's Whittingham and McLoughlin following their recent resignations. A vacancies notice to be published on website and displayed in noticeboard with a closing date of 20.6.23. The Clerk confirmed an email had been issued to Wyre Council about a footpaths and Highway Grant following concerns raised from the sheep farmer of the land behind the Primary School in School Lane due to recent works to the stile and gate causing the gate to not close properly, the gate has now been locked to prevent his sheep getting out near pond or onto highway. A kissing gate was suggested as an alternative.	Clerk Note
1716. Cllr Huddart updates Cllr Huddart confirmed dates for 'Chats with Cat' sessions are as follows: - 30.6.23 (2pm - 4pm)– Cockerham Village Hall 15.7.23 (10am – 12pm) Scorton Village Hall	Note
1717. Agenda for Next Meeting Next Meeting will be on Monday 3 rd July 2023, at 7pm, at Methodist Church, Hollins Lane. Cllr Huddart, Cllr Dodgson and Borough Cllr Walker send their apologies. Cllr Young agreed to chair the next meeting.	Note
The meeting closed at 8.10pm	Note

Minutes prepared by: Hilary Alcock (Clerk)

Approved by: Janet Huddart (Chairman)

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