

Forton Parish Council

Minutes of the Forton Parish Council Meeting held at Methodist Church Hall, Hollins Lane on Monday 9th January 2023 at 7pm

Present: Cllrs J Huddart, L Dodgson, S Tresilian, N Wigglesworth,	Note
In attendance: Mrs H Alcock - Clerk & Responsible Finance Officer	Note
1632. Apologies for Absence: Cllr D McLoughlin, J Farebrother, P Young, J Whittingham, PCSO Denise Creighton, County Cllr Salter, Borough Cllr Leech	Note
1633. Notification of Interests No disclosures of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests from Councillors on matters to be considered at the meeting were received.	Note
1634. Minutes of the last Meeting The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 5 th December 2022 were confirmed and signed as a correct record.	Note
1635. Public Participation No members of the public present.	Note
1636. Planning No planning applications this month and the Clerk confirmed we are still on the notifications list with Wyre Borough Council to receive planning application notifications.	Note
1637. Parish Precept It was agreed that the precept would remain the same as the previous year at £21k. The clerk was asked to contact Borough Councillor Leech to explain what the annual precept is.	Clerk
1638. Hollins Lane noticeboard – progress from Lesley and Janet Costs obtained for an additional freestanding A1 noticeboard circa £920 + vat. Location agreed on Hollins Lane at the north end of the hedge by the flower tubs. Location and noticeboard images forwarded to Cllr Salter who has passed on to highways engineers for approval.	Clerk
1639. Progress on Persimmon Homes Update circulated by Cllr Young as follows: - The pit near School Lane has been filled in and all the farm buildings demolished.	Clerk

<p>The main reserved matters application for layout, appearance and scale has had no updates. I keep hoping that there will be time to take some account of objections; a decision has not been made so there is still time.</p> <p>Last update I said that 18/00469/DIS1 included a surface water drainage plan and that UU objected to because of errors on manhole levels. A revised plan has been submitted to correct this. UU are still waiting for evidence that the Lancashire flood authority have approved discharging the water to a sewer on the other side of the A6.</p> <p>There is a new reserved matters application 18/00469/DIS2 covering condition 4 phasing and condition 10 construction environmental management plan. Construction will be in five phases with the first being for 53 houses immediately to the north of school lane. It also shows the site office and compound on phase 2 land and will displace 5 houses.</p>	
<p>1640. Centre Farm planning application 22/01074/FUL update The clerk confirmed a letter of objection had been lodged. Tenants sister advised she was very pleased with the Parish Council's objection. No comments have been submitted via the Tree Officer as yet. The Clerk was asked to track the application.</p>	Clerk
<p>1641. New Holly tree removal – possible housing Cllr Dodgson confirmed that a chestnut tree had been felled at The New Holly on 21st December, contact was made with Ryan Arrell, Tree Officer at Wyre Borough Council, who believed the tree had a cavity and passed the enquiry over to planning. The Planning Department responded as follows: -</p> <p>Not aware of any new legislation for Trees or TPOs, just the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.</p> <p>The Environment Act to be implemented in November this year doesn't include anything specific for trees or TPOs, but does introduce a national 10% Biodiversity Net Gain requirement for development sites. There are plenty of regulations and guidance still to be published by Government, so information is still limited. BNG requirement will take account of any clearance of sites prior to development (this is to stop an artificially low BNG baseline being set) however again we have nothing further from Government or Natural England.</p>	Note
<p>1642. Finance The Clerk confirmed payments made in December totalling £423.30. Invoices received for grass cutting and hall hire which were agreed to be paid.</p>	Clerk
<p>1643. Parish Reports / Issues from Councillors <u>Parish Maintenance</u> Cllr Wigglesworth reported the pre-paid sticker on the green bin outside the pavilion was missing. Clerk to organise replacement. Cllr Huddart advised the noticeboard outside the village hall was leaking and would speak to Chris, alternatively the Parish Council may need to purchase a new one. Christmas tree collection is due 18th January. <u>Hollins Lane Update – Flooding /SID sign</u></p>	Clerk Cllr Huddart

<p>Flooding on Hollins Lane opposite Laurus Homes estate has been right across highway, photos and a letter to be sent to LCC highways.</p> <p><u>LALC</u></p> <p>Next meeting takes place 25th January at Garstang Golf Club.</p> <p><u>Village Hall & Recreation Committee</u></p> <p>No updates. Cllr Wigglesworth advised the December meeting had been cancelled.</p>	
<p>1644. Clerks Update</p> <p>Missing bin on Hollins Lane – Wyre BC confirmed the bin had been removed due to household waste being left frequently in and around the bin. The Clerk has written to Wyre Borough Council asking if the bin could be reinstated to avoid fly tipping.</p> <p>Mobile library dates have been added to the website and the Clerk was asked to contact Glenys Knowles at LCC to ask if the service could be extended to Hollins Lane in future months.</p>	Clerk
<p>1645. Agenda for Next Meeting</p> <p>Cllr Huddart requested pond in School Lane to be added to next month's agenda.</p> <p>Next Meeting will be on Monday 6th February 2023, at 7pm, at Methodist Church, Hollins Lane.</p>	Clerk
<p>The meeting closed at 8.10pm</p>	Note