

Forton Parish Council

Minutes of the Forton Parish Council Meeting held at Methodist Church Hall, Hollins Lane on Monday 5th September 2022 at 7pm

Present: - Cllrs J Huddart, P Young and L Dodgson.

In attendance: Mrs H Alcock - Clerk & Responsible Finance Officer
3 members of the public.

1561. Apologies for absence Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Tresilian, Mcloughlin, Farebrother, Wigglesworth and Whittingham.

1562. Notification of Interests

No disclosures of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests from Councillors on matters to be considered at the meeting were received.

1563. Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 11th July 2022 and extraordinary meeting held on 3rd August 2022, were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

1564. Public participation

Three members of the public present. No representatives from Wyre or County Councillors. Two of the residents raised their concerns about Centre Farm plans.

1565. Planning

Application Number: 22/00807/FUL

Proposal: Proposed single storey extension

Location: Patten House Lodge, Park Lane

Resolved: Clerk to advise planning the Parish Council have no objections.

Application Number: 22/00830/FUL

Proposal: Demolition of building & erection of private stables

Location: Centre Farm, Cockerham Road

Resolved: Clerk to advise planning the Parish Council object to the application. A detailed response would be agreed and uploaded to the planning portal before 14th September 2022.

Application Number: 22/00768/FUL

Proposal: 2 storey side extension

Location: Whinney Brow House Whinney Brow

Resolved: Clerk to advise planning the Parish Council have no objections.

Application Number: 22/00809/FUL

Proposal: Retrospective consent for the erection of 1 no. glamping pod to be used as holiday accommodation.

Location: Stables at Homewood, Ratcliffe Wharf Lane

Resolved: Clerk to advise planning the Parish Council have no objections.

1566. Noticeboards

The clerk was asked to obtain costs for an additional freestanding noticeboard to be sited next to the Laurus Homes Estate.

The Chairman to establish who owns the noticeboard outside the Bowling Green.

1567. Banking mandate

The Parish Council agreed to remove the previous clerk Angela Nicholls from the bank mandate and add the new Clerk Hilary Alcock.

1568. LANPAC –

The Clerk was asked to contact LANPAC regarding membership costs and the benefits of the Parish Council becoming an Associate Member.

1569. Finance

It was discussed and agreed that the Parish Council would pay the Village Hall the remaining balance of £5,359.27 in respect of the play area, now that the S106 monies have been received. A representative from the Village Hall was allowed to add comments.

The Chairman thanked Cllr Young for his assistance dealing with the final invoices.

The Clerk was asked to look at alternative banking options including the Co-op.

Cllr Young confirmed he had passed the original deed of covenant 106 to the Clerk for filing.

1570. Parish Reports / Issues from Councillors

The Clerk was asked to write to Frances Forestry for a schedule / breakdown of the area's grass cutting and strimming works are being completed to accompany all future invoices.

The Clerk was asked to check if the footpath sign on Whinney Brow had been reported as missing to Wyre Council.

SID Traffic update - Cllr McLoughlin provided a written traffic report from 1st July 2022 to 30th August 2022 and reported the scout hut reading was still intermittent.

The Chairman to ask Cllr Tresilian to compile a list of outstanding issues at the Laurus Homes site, as planning conditions should be discharged prior to first occupancies.

The Clerk to check if the large litter bin by railway bridge (Stony Lane / Hollins Lane junction) has been reported to Wyre Council.

LALC update – Cllr Young advised he had attended the July meeting, next meeting taking place on 26th October 2022.

The Chairman to add the Clerk onto the electoral register updates.

1571. Agenda for next meeting

Next Meeting will be on Monday 3rd October 2022, at 7pm, at Methodist Church, Hollins Lane.

Agenda items to include:-

- To improve publicity on the noticeboards
- LANPAC Associate Membership costs
- Footpaths
- To add new photocopier onto assets lists and remove old copier
- Contract of employment for new Clerk and Responsible Finance Officer

The meeting closed at 8.40pm