



Minutes of Meeting 16th April 2013

Present: Cllr. Mr. J. Metcalfe (Chairman), Cllr. Mrs. P. Watson, Cllr. Mr. R. Gadd, Cllr. Mr. B. Ingham, Cllr. Mr. T. Butterfield, Boro. Cllr. Mr. J. Starkie, Co. Cllr. Mrs. S. Derwent, Mrs. P. McBurney (Clerk).

Apologies: Cllr. Mr. D. Forrest, (Vice-Chairman), Cllr. Mr. D. Johnston. Cllr. Mr. M. Tetley.

Members of public in attendance: Five

No	Minute Heading	Action
3591	<p>Police Report and Public Questions There was no police report. Co. Cllr. Derwent reported that owing to cutbacks police presence at Parish Council meetings would be very limited. Parish Councillors could attend regular meetings at Holmefield House. The next meeting is on 20th May at 6.30pm. Cllr. Metcalfe suggested that emails re local crimes would be appreciated. Questions were asked by members of the public about the proposed wind turbine. These were discussed in item 3594.</p>	
3592	<p>Declaration of Councillors Interests/Code of Conduct No interests were declared. Mr. T. Butterfield was co-opted onto the Parish Council to replace Cllr. Lomax.</p>	
3593	<p>Minutes of the last meeting Cllr. Ingham proposed that the minutes were correct. This was seconded by Cllr. Watson and agreed.</p>	
3594	<p>Planning Applications and Decisions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 13/13/0135P: The proposed Wind Turbine at Copthurst Farm was discussed. Members of the Public and Councillors were united in their opposition • 13/13/0163P: Extensions to rear of Roaming Roosters: Site visit arranged. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A petition will be prepared by Mrs Macadam and delivered by volunteers. • Letters to be sent to the Planning Dept at Pendle Borough Council. • Cllr. Ingham to draft a further letter. • The matter to be discussed at the next Barrowford and Western Parishes Committee • The clerk to respond • to the application after the site inspection.
3595	<p>Matters arising (for information only). No matters arising</p>	

3596	<p>Finance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cheques were signed. • Audit of Accounts and Annual Governance Statement. It was proposed by Cllr. Ingham, seconded by Cllr. Watson and agreed unanimously to approve the Statement of Accounts and receive the Internal Auditor, Mr. G. Fitton's report. This report raised no matters of concern. The Annual Governance Statement was executed wholly in the affirmative. 	
3597	<p>Clover Croft Development Another property has been signed off.</p>	
3598	<p>Lane to Sagar Hill Rd Once the drain carrying water from Sagar Hill has been located, work will begin to rectify the problem.</p>	
3599	<p>Damage caused by Tractors to Grass Verges</p>	Co. Cllr. Derwent to contact County re this problem.
3600	<p>Projects Ongoing</p>	
3601	<p>Safe Lanes Stickers The cost of the stickers was discussed. Cllr. Metcalfe proposed that the sum of £150 be contributed. This was seconded by Cllr. Butterfield and agreed by all.</p>	
3602	<p>Clerk's Report and Correspondence The clerk's report was distributed before the meeting.</p>	
3603	<p>County Councillor's Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Co. Cllr. Derwent reported three incidents of anti-social behaviour in the area but said that the Rural Watch scheme was very successful. • Cllr. Ingham offered a vote of thanks to Co. Cllr. Derwent on her retirement for very many years of excellent service. This was supported by all. 	
3604	<p>Borough Councillors Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boro. Cllr. Starkie reported that he had objected to the Festive Decorations unfair distribution of funds in 2012. He has asked for a minimum contribution to all villages. • Boro. Cllr. Starkie reminded the meeting that Section s106 money needed to be spent. • Barrowford and Western Parishes Capital Grants: Ideas for projects are needed 	The item to be included on the next agenda.
3605	<p>Committee/Working Groups No reports this month</p>	

3606	<p>The Playground Cllr. Gadd reported no problems on the playground but will investigate reported gaps between the tarmac squares.</p>	Cllr. Gadd to check. The Clerk to request the Playground Inspection.
3607	<p>Parish Matters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Easements: Five Easements have been received. Three are outstanding. • The Spid: adjustments for new speed limit needed. • “The Spout” Discussions re items for the next edition • New tree in the village centre: no progress as yet • Annual Village Meeting: A date was set for 17th May at 7pm. • Other Parish Matters: No other matters were discussed 	<p>The item to be removed from the next agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Gadd to arrange food and drink. The clerk to display notices and contact interested groups
3608	<p>Lengthsman Scheme: Update and work to be carried out Some stiles are still in need of repair.</p>	Cllr. Tetley to contact the Lengthsman. A list of stiles needing repair is needed.
3609	<p>Items for future discussion/ next agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Councillors and Clerk. 	
3610	<p>The date of the next meeting: Tues. 21st May 2013 at 7.30pm. preceded by the AGM at 7pm.</p> <p>The meeting closed at 9.45pm.</p>	