

## STALMINE-WITH-STAYNALL PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 8 May 2018 at 7.00pm at the Village Hall, Stalmine

**Present:** Cllrs D Forshaw (Chairman), D Booth, A Haydock, K Jenkinson, S Pelham, T Williams.

**In attendance:** Alison May, Clerk to the Council.

#### **001(18-19)1 Election of Chairman for the 2018/19 civic year**

Cllr Pelham proposed, Cllr Jenkinson seconded and councillors **resolved** that Cllr Forshaw be elected as Chairman for the 2018/19 civic year and Cllr Forshaw signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

#### **002(18-19)2 Apologies for absence**

None

#### **003(18-19)3 Declaration of interests and dispensations**

Cllr Forshaw; Cllr Pelham; Cllr Williams; – item 15, application 348

#### **004(18-19)4 Election of Vice-Chairman for the 2018/19 civic year**

Cllr Jenkinson proposed, Cllr Pelham seconded and councillors **resolved** that Cllr Williams be elected as Vice-Chairman for the 2018/19 civic year.

#### **005(18-19)5 Minutes of the last meeting**

**Resolved:** that the minutes of the meeting held on 10 April 2018 be agreed as a true record.

#### **006(18-19)6 Public participation (including police report)**

As no members of the public were present councillors **resolved** to move to the next agenda item.

#### **007(18-19)7 2017/18 Annual Return**

The Clerk reported that the Internal Audit work had been completed and the report of the Internal auditor would be presented to the June meeting of the council. Councillors considered Section 1 (Annual Governance Statement) and Section 2 (Accounting Statements) of the Annual Return for the Year Ended 31 March 2018 and **resolved** that the Annual Governance Statement and the Accounting Statements be approved.

#### **008(18-19)8 Draft Annual Report**

Councillors **resolved** to approve the draft Annual Report for publication and distribution via premises open to the public and on the website.

#### **009(18-19)9 Calendar of Parish Council meetings for the 2018/19 civic year**

Councillors **resolved** to approve the dates of the meetings for the 2018/19 civic year:

12 June 2018  
 10 July 2018  
 14 August 2018  
 11 September 2018  
 9 October 2018  
 13 November 2018  
 11 December 2018

8 January 2019  
 12 February 2019  
 12 March 2019  
 9 April 2019  
 14 May 2019

#### **10(18-19)10 Appointments to outside bodies**

Councillors **resolved** to appoint councillors to the following outside bodies:

LALC Wyre Area Committee (2) – Cllrs Forshaw and Pelham  
 Wyre Flood Forum (1) – Cllr Haydock  
 Planning Ambassador (1) – Cllr Forshaw  
 SwSRA (1) – Cllr Haydock

#### **11(18-19)11 Insurance 2018/19**

Councillors **resolved** to renew the council's insurance on 1 June as part of the three-year deal with AXA insurance. The renewal premium for 2018-19, which now includes the new play area equipment, is £658.01.

#### **12(18-19)12 Inspection of play area**

Councillors discussed the necessity of complying with health and safety regulations in respect of the new play area and the need to ensure that it was professionally monitored. Councillors **resolved** to enter into a contract with Wyre Council for a weekly and annual check of the equipment at a cost of £1,000 per annum.

#### **13(18-19)13 Signage to woodland**

Councillors **resolved** that Cllr Booth would work with the Clerk on designing the signage for the woodland and linking this to the organised walks in the village.

#### **14(18-19)14 North West Air Ambulance Service – request for a donation**

Councillors noted that the council had made a donation the previous year to this charity and commented on the number of times the air ambulance had been needed in the previous 12 months. Councillors **resolved** to make a donation of £100 on the basis that the service could help any member of the community.

#### **15(18-19)15 Planning applications**

##### **Application Number: 17/01127/FUL**

**Proposal:** Extension to existing studio to provide workshop for B1(c) light industrial use (part retrospective)

**Location:** The Old Smithy Carr Lane Stalmine Poulton-Le-Fylde Lancashire

**Resolved:** that the council has no objections to the application.

##### **Application number: 18/00213/FUL**

**Proposal:** Application for variation of condition 2 (site plan/key drawings) on planning application 16/00731/FUL to allow for substitution of plans relating to a change of design of the proposed dwelling.

**Location:** Land Adjacent to Taye House Moss Side Lane Stalmine-With-Staynall Poulton-Le-Fylde Lancashire

**Resolved:** that the council objects to this application on the grounds that the property is now overbearing with regard to the size of the plot and is no longer in keeping with the area. The Council is of the opinion that it would be disproportionate to neighbouring properties. In addition, it has been

brought to the attention of the council that there are concerns that the true curtilage is being exceeded with an incursion on to highway land.

**Application number: 18/00266/FUL**

**Proposal:** Erection of detached house and garage

**Location:** Pennine Plot 9 Mill Lane Stalmine Lancashire

**Resolved:** that the council has no objections to the application.

**Application number: 18/00304/FUL**

**Proposal:** Erection of one detached dwelling

**Location:** Land Adjacent Meadowcroft Moss Side Lane Stalmine-With-Staynall  
Poulton-Le-Fylde

**Resolved:** that the council objects to this application on the grounds that it will have an adverse impact on the highway. The area surrounding the proposed development has already seen an increase in properties in the vicinity of the nursery. Additional development will only increase the number of vehicles accessing and turning on and off the lane. The council is also of the opinion that measures need to be put in place to reduce the speed limit on this part of the road to 30mph.

**Application number: 18/00348/FUL**

**Proposal:** Creation of menage in paddock for private use

**Location:** Brick House 10 Brick House Lane Hambleton Poulton-Le-Fylde  
Lancashire

**Resolved:** that the council has no objections to the application.

**Application number: 18/00350/FUL**

**Proposal:** Erection of 2no 15m x 6m agricultural buildings for livestock (beef cattle)

**Location:** Inverness Farm Union Lane Out Rawcliffe Preston Lancashire

**Resolved:** that the council objects to this application on the grounds that it is sited within flood zone 3. It is not apparent from the application what measures are proposed to protect the livestock on the site in the event of flooding. In addition, the Access and Agricultural Need statement refers to the calves needing a well-drained environment. It is not apparent from the application how waste/effluent will be dealt with and there are no drainage proposals. The council is of the opinion that the application is too vague and that more information is required.

**16(18-19)16 Finance**

Councillors **resolved:**

<b>a) To note</b> the following receipts: Business Reserve account Reserve account	25305.78 0.15
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<b>b) To approve</b> the following payments:	Cheque	
Payroll	1459, 1460, 1461, 1462	1180.19
Clerk's expenses (on behalf of council)	1459	35.89
Lengthsman's expenses (SLN on behalf of council)	1460	30.99

Extra lengthsmen's expenses (BH on behalf of council)	1461	10.00
Preesall Auto Discount Centre Ltd (inv. 827)	1463	11.44
Towers and Gornall (inv.1712)	1464	228.00
Came & Company (inv.11651731)	1465	658.01
Wyre Building Supplies (inv. 0161671; 0162660)	1466	12.41

<b>c) To note</b> the following payment made outside the meeting: Wyre Borough Council (LS/FS 23/04/18)	1458	16,000.00
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<b>d) To note</b> the following payments by standing order:		
Easy Websites (monthly hosting fee)		24.00

<b>e) To note</b> the statement of accounts for month ending 31 April 2018		
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<b>f) To note</b> the following transfer from the business reserve account to the current account		20,000.00
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#### **17(18-19)17 Reports from outside bodies (for information)**

None

#### **18(18-19)18 Clerk's report (for information)**

##### **Repayment of loan to Wyre Council**

The £16,000 no interest loan from Wyre Council to cover the final cost of the play area until precept monies became available in April has now been repaid.

##### **2018/19 national salary award for local councils**

The National Joint Council for Local Government Services has reached agreement on a salary award of 2% effective from 1 April 2018 for those employees under its remit. As this includes the Clerk and Lengthsmen the pay award and arrears have been implemented in the May.

##### **Came & Company local council insurance**

The council's policy is due for renewal on 1 June 2018. The renewal quotation is based on the sums insured (index-linked by 4%) and the covers detailed in the council's current schedule of insurance and the Statement of Fact.

The renewal premium is £658.01, including insurance premium tax (IPT). This takes into consideration the council's long-term agreement, which expires on 31 May 2020.

##### **Tree survey**

The tree officer has confirmed that he will let the woodland dry out a little over the next few weeks then carry out a walking survey of the trees. The desktop follow-up work will then identify priorities for tree works.

##### **Consultation on community transport in Lancashire**

The following message has been received from Lancashire County Council:

'Like many councils across the country, Lancashire County Council continues to face an unprecedented financial challenge due to continued funding cuts by Government, rising costs and rising demand for the services we provide.'

We are committed to providing the best services we can to the people of Lancashire, particularly to the most vulnerable in our communities. However, the council's financial position remains extremely challenging, with a forecast funding gap of £144m in 2021/22. Because of this, we still need to make some difficult decisions in order to make further savings.

Community transport in Lancashire is provided for eligible people who are not able to use mainstream public transport. Community transport includes Dial-a-Ride, group transport, community car schemes, day trips and volunteering opportunities.

On 18 January 2018 the county council's cabinet agreed to consult on proposals to reduce funding by a third for community transport in Lancashire. This may mean loss, reduction and/or changes to these services including fare increases.

We would like to hear your views on this proposal.

You can give us your views by completing the online questionnaire at [www.lancashire.gov.uk/haveyoursay](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/haveyoursay).

The eight-week consultation runs to Sunday 10 June 2018.'

### **Consultation on street lighting maintenance**

The following message has been received from Lancashire County Council:

'We are committed to providing the best services we can to the people of Lancashire, particularly to the most vulnerable in our communities. However the council's financial position remains extremely challenging, with a forecast funding gap of £144m in 2021/22. Because of this, we still need to make some difficult decisions in order to make further savings.

We are asking for your views on some proposed changes to the services we provide around street lighting. We have been replacing our street lights with LED lights that are expected to work more reliably for around 20 years. They will last much longer than the traditional lamps we previously installed across Lancashire. With these new LEDs being used across our county, we will not need to check and fix our lights as often.

We currently carry out routine inspections when it's dark in every street where we are responsible for maintaining street lights, illuminated signs and/or bollards. We try to visit once every fortnight between October and March and then every month for the rest of the year. As well as the reports currently received from our night inspections, we also receive information from members of the public who notify us through our customer access service, our online 'Report It!!' tool and other sources.

Having taken all of this into account, we are proposing to stop carrying out our night-time inspections. We are also proposing to start carrying out our testing of street lights and illuminated signs on a 10-year cycle rather than every five years.

As well as the routine testing, we would still be carrying out maintenance, as and when faults are reported to us, and we would continue to aim to respond to initial reports of faults within five days as we do now.

We know that many people value the services provided by our street lighting team and this is why we value your input with this consultation to help us better understand the effect of these proposed changes on the people of Lancashire.

You can give us your views by completing the online questionnaire at [www.lancashire.gov.uk/haveyoursay](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/haveyoursay)

The eight week consultation runs to Sunday 17 June 2018.'

### **Health day**

Public Health, Lancashire County Council is leading a health week/day 'Your Mile Your Way' event on Friday 18 May 2018. As part of an initiative to get everybody up and active, the challenge for the citizens of Lancashire is to walk, run, swim, dance, bounce, bike, skate, row, cartwheel, skip or jump around the world in a day (this equates to 24,901 miles).

Our request to you is to help us promote the event and spread the word to try and encourage children, young people, adults, older people and families to help reach the target of 24,901 miles in one day. Pledges to walk a mile in any way can be made in the Your Mile Your Way website (<http://www.yourmileyourway.co.uk>) which also has a list of exciting activities taking place in your area during the week commencing 14 May 2018.

The Your Mile Your Way health event is to ultimately promote the uptake of physical activity in any shape or form. The health benefits in taking up physical activity has multiple benefits. Some of these include:

- Reduces risk of major illnesses such as heart disease, stroke, type 2 diabetes and cancer by up to 50%
- Improves the chances to live longer
- Improves physical, mental health and mood
- Improves ability to do daily activities and prevents falls

Your support in cascading this information to your network far and wide would be greatly appreciated and we hope together we can start a very positive movement.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact Hira Miah ([hira.miah@lancashire.gov.uk](mailto:hira.miah@lancashire.gov.uk)) or Alan Orchard ([alan.orchard@lancashire.gov.uk](mailto:alan.orchard@lancashire.gov.uk))

### **19(18-19)19 Items for next agenda**

Councillors are asked to raise matters to be included on the agenda for the next meeting of the Parish Council either at this meeting or by notifying the clerk by 1 June. A summary of the reason for raising the matter should be provided.

### **20(18-19)20 Date and time of next meeting**

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on **Tuesday 12 June 2018** at 7.00pm.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.20pm.