

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MYERSCOUGH AND BILSBORROW PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT BANNERS FARM MYERSCOUGH ON THURSDAY 22 JULY 2021

PRESENT

Cllr Mrs Olivine (Chairman), Cllr Mrs Allan, Cllr Barker, Cllr Collinson, Cllr Pye, Cllr Robinson & CC Turner

IN ATTENDANCE

There was one member of the public in attendance

APOLOGIES

Cllr Elizabeth Webster

CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Roy Bassnett

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31.21 MINUTES

The minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting 2021 were approved and signed and those of the Barton, Bilsborrow & Myerscough War Memorial Trustees Annual Meeting 2021 were noted

32.21 FINANCE

Accounts for payment

The following payments were sanctioned:

Barton Grange Landscapes £1635-00 grass cutting 3/21 to 6/21

Myerscough and Bilsborrow Parish Council War Memorial Account £415-00 contribution 2021

Mark Cornforth £1500-00 Parish Lengthsman Scheme 4/21 to 6/21

ACTION

Clerk

Reconciled balances at Bank as at 30 June 2021

HSBC Current Account £4653-82 CR

HSBC War Memorial Account £2314-64 CR

NS&I Investment Account £31007-87 CR

Annual Internal Audit Reports 2020/21

RESOLVED

That the reports be received and approved with thanks to Mr J Cliff Sharp, internal auditor

ACTION

Clerk

Budget review

The only exceptional item to date was the payment of £633-05 to Came and Company for this year's insurance, being £200-00 or so more than had been forecast

33.21 PLANNING

Beech House Beech Avenue Bilsborrow

Retrospective application for two shed structures for use as storage and home gym

RESOLVED

To respond to the consultation by saying that the larger of the two structures is an over-intensive development of a small garden area forward of the building line of the adjacent properties in Sycamore Road

ACTION

Clerk

34.21 BOUNDARY COMMISSION PROPOSALS FOR NEW PARLIAMENTARY CONSTITUENCIES

CC Turner spoke as to the proposed new boundaries for the constituency

35.21 GREATER GARSTANG PARTNERSHIP BOARD

CC Turner, being a member of the Board, spoke regarding the recent setting up of the Partnership Board to develop a regeneration and investment framework for Garstang and surrounding villages

36.21 WYRE COUNCIL : CLIMATE CHANGE

CC Turner spoke regarding climate change action within Wyre Council

37.21 HIGHWAYS, FOOTPATHS, WATERWAYS

Lancaster Canal Towpath

CC Turner spoke as regards the towpath and will alert the Council when opportunities arise for the funding of improvements thereto

ACTION

CC Turner

Toucan crossing in Bilsborrow village

The Highway Authority had written to say that there are presently no S106 contributions held towards the delivery of toucan crossings on the A6 road and that, therefore, it may be some time before such a crossing can be provided in Bilsborrow village. CC Turner undertook to take the matter up with the County Council's Head of Highways

ACTION

CC Turner

Public Right of Way : Bilsborrow FP4

It had been reported to the County Council that pig buildings have been erected at Raby's Farm, off Bilsborrow Lane, one or more of which obstruct the public right of way, and that a sign has been erected alongside the farm road (being the entry point to the said public right of way) forbidding access

38.21 BILSBORROW RECREATION GROUND

An application by the Chairman to Anwyl for a grant of £2000 towards the cost of ground works at the Recreation Ground had been unsuccessful

RESOLVED

1. To authorise Cllrs Collinson and Robinson to hire machinery, equipment and driver/s and to order up to 60 tons of crusher run at the best possible price, and to lay the crusher run at the Recreation Ground to form a hard surface to the east of Sycamore Road and the west of the football pitch western touchline so as to facilitate the off-road parking of cars on match-days
2. That the total outlay on the project will be no more than GBP2500 + VAT

ACTION

Cllrs Collinson and Robinson

39.21 BILSBORROW SEWER FLOODING ALLEVIATION PROJECT

The works by United Utilities were for the most part complete. Additional gates and fencing were to be provided and there would be hedgerow planting alongside Bilsborrow Lane in due season

40.21 PROPOSED MULTI-USE GAMES AREA AT BILSBORROW SCHOOL

Cllr Collinson and CC Turner reported on various aspects of the proposal. CC Turner was to report again after further consultation with Wyre Council and in respect of the possibility of there being a contribution to the scheme by Lancashire Environmental Fund

ACTION

CC Turner

41.21 WOODLAND TRUST

The Chairman was to submit a bid for trees later in due season

ACTION

Chairman

42.21 INTERPRETIVE PANEL BY GARSTANG ROAD BROCK IN FRONT OF MP MOTOR COMPANY'S GARAGE PREMISES

An enquiry had been received from a resident of the parish about the use of photographs and information about Brock's history on the interpretive panel

AGREED

That ownership of the originals of the photographs and the origin of the information would be acknowledged on the community website

ACTION

Clerk

43.21 PLANTS IN BILSBORROW VILLAGE

Members spoke approvingly about the abundance of plants generously donated and provided alongside Garstang Road in Bilsborrow village by Mr Nickson of Ashleigh Nurseries

AGREED

To send a letter of grateful thanks to Mr Nickson

ACTION

Clerk

44.21 FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

September Council Meeting Thursday 24 September

November Council Meeting Thursday 25 November

ACTION

Clerk

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CHAIRMAN

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