# HAMBLETON PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 8<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2015

**Present:** Cllrs Robinson (Chairman), Sycamore, Davies, Jenkinson, Peaker and Cameron, 4 members of the public and the Clerk.

- 1. 15/093 Apologies: Cllr Squires
- 2. 15/094 Declarations of Interest Cllr Robinson expressed an interest in item 9a as the lead member of the Rural West Shaping Your Neighbourhood Scheme.
- 3. 15/095 Minutes It was resolved that the minutes (previously circulated) of the Ordinary Parish Council meeting held on 8 November 15 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record.

#### 4. 15/096 Matters Arising

**a.** Christmas Tree: The Clerk was asked to contact the Sports and Social Club regarding a contribution towards the cost of the Christmas tree.

5. 15/097 Items Introduced by the Public: A resident was in attendance to ask the Parish Council if they could support her concerns regarding the safety of children attending Hambleton school. She specifically raised the issues of volume, speed and parking of vehicles adjacent to the school and children crossing roads to access the school. Cllr Cameron volunteered to request that these issues be included in the school newsletter and encouraged the resident to contact a Parent Governor who could bring this up at a future Governor's meeting. The resident had already contacted PC Matt Butcher and discussed the use of a spare SpID. The employment of a Lollipop person was discussed and Cllr Robinson volunteered to speak to County Councillor Viv Taylor about the problems. It was proposed that the Clerk follow up on the use of the spare SpID and contact LCC regarding the replacement of the yellow lines on Church Lane/Arthurs Lane.

## It was resolved to proceed as above.

- 6. 15/098 Police: the crime reports for October and November had been received and circulated to all members prior to the meeting.
- 7. 15/099 BKV/WIB: a representative from the BKV Committee was in attendance and raised the following:-

**a. Grant:** it was reported that the grant from Wyre Council may not be available next year. It was suggested that the local County Councillor be approached for funding through their community grant scheme.

**b.** Barriers: the bollards and barriers used to close the road at Ryecroft Corner for the Xmas Tree Switch on had not yet been removed. The Clerk was asked to contact the lengthsman to remove.

**c. Railings/Millennium Circle:** members were asked if they were aware of the Britain in Bloom judges' comments about the park. It was reported that the lengthsman had been asked to try to clean the railings and that the upgrade of the millennium circle could either be considered alongside the path renovations when the section 106 schemes were being finalised or an amount included in the Council's 2016/2017 budget. The Clerk was asked to contact Wyre Council re section 106 monies.

**d.** Winston Churchill: members were advised that Chris Archer was nearing completion of a model Winston Churchill to accompany the steel figure of General Kitchener. Pat Bick informed members she would contact Cllr Cameron when the structure was completed.

## 8. 15/100 Reports of Meetings

i) Village Hall Management Committee: Cllr Davies reported that minutes for the last 2 meetings had been circulated to all members. Wi-fi was being investigated for the village hall as the committee had received various requests from colleges to use the facility. The Village Hall entrance sign was being progressed.

**ii) Wyre Flood Forum:** Cllr Peaker reported that a presentation regarding the barrage had been given at the December meeting. Funding was in place and installation was planned for completion in 2020. The barrage would be used to generate electricity, flood control and for some pedestrian and vehicular traffic. He also informed members that Peg's Pool was due to be de-silted before the end of the financial year. The flooding issues on Church Lane were discussed and the Clerk was asked to contact LCC.

## 9. 15/101 Bob Williamson Park

a) Shaping Your Neighbourhood Scheme: The fencing has still not been installed due to the weather.

**b)** Signs: the Clerk explained that as soon as the fencing was installed warning signs would need to be erected on the gates advising users of the park that dogs would be running off lead in the fenced area. The Clerk presented suggestions for signs and it was proposed that the "please close the gate dogs loose at all times" signs be purchased.

#### It was resolved to accept the above proposal.

c) Maintenance of railings and Millennium Garden: discussed above.

## 10. 15/102 Finance

#### a. Bills for Payment: It was resolved that the following be approved for payment.

	Payee	Amount
а.	A. Taylor - Salary	£280.00
b.	K Coleman Expenses	£19.01
C.	K Coleman Salary	£471.90
d.	PAYE November	£83.00
e.	BKV £25 comp entry fee/sponsorship of boat	£50.00
	flowers	
f.	Hambleton signs – height restriction barrier	£36.00

**b.** Signing of bank statements – the statement was initialled by the Chairman to acknowledge income £0.96 interest.

**c.** 2016/2017 Budget: a draft budget and projected balance of funds for the end of 2014/2015 had been circulated prior to the meeting. The Clerk proposed that the Parish Council consider establishing a reserves policy and that normal spend for 2015/2016 be covered by income and not reserves. The Clerk also explained that notification of election costs had been received from Wyre Council along with the precept notification for 2016/2017. The Clerk was asked to obtain clarification of the election costs. It was proposed that Councillors review the draft budget and that an item be placed on the January agenda for further discussion and confirmation.

It was resolved to approve the above proposal.

## 11.15/103 Other

a. Arthurs Lane/School: discussed above.

b. Annual Parish Meeting/Annual Parish Council Meeting

It was resolved to combine in 1 meeting on the first Tuesday in May.

**c.** Speeding Marsh Lane: Cllr Davies reported that erecting the 'Police Speed Check' signs had made no difference to the speeding vehicles. The Clerk had received an email from the Police advising that traffic counts are not being undertaken as County Highways have started to charge for speed/volume checks. The speed management costs were due to be discussed at a Police meeting and the Clerk would be updated after this meeting.

## 12. 15/104 Correspondence:

**a.** Boundary Commission: the Parish Council had been asked if they wished to give comments on proposed electoral boundary arrangements for Lancashire County Council. It was proposed that the Council object to the proposed changes of being included in the Hambleton and Thornton Division because the division would be separated by the River Wyre, Urban v Rural areas, no community or transport links, differing interests and identities. It was resolved to object as proposed above.

**b. Open Spaces:** a letter had been received asking for a donation towards the "What Comes Now" appeal.

## It was resolved that no donation would be given.

**c.** Lancashire Based Public Transport Scheme: the Council had been asked to give comments on a public transport scheme to be initiated and maintained by the Parish Council. It was proposed that the Council advise that with the current transport systems in the Community the scheme would not be required, but that if there are reductions in local services then the Parish Council would be interested in providing a transport scheme.

#### It was resolved to comment as proposed.

**d. Knott End Ferry Service:** an open meeting regarding the withdrawal of the subsidy was being organised by Fleetwood Town Council at the Civic Centre on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December and the Council had been invited to attend. Council members were unable to attend, but it was proposed that they convey to Fleetwood Town Council that they support a rescue plan for the future of the ferry service.

## It was resolved to approve the above proposal.

e. Lancashire Civic County Carol Service 31<sup>st</sup> January at Blackburn Cathedral: the Chairman was unable to attend this service so other members were asked to contact the Clerk if they wished to attend.

## 13.15/105 Planning Applications

#### a. Planning Applications:

i) 14/00797/DIS: application for discharge of conditions – Fair View, Church Lane, Hambleton.

**ii) 15/00926/FUL:** reserved matters application for the erection of detached dormer bungalow, land to the rear of Air View, Church Lane, Hambleton.

#### It was resolved that the Council have no objections to the above applications.

## b. Appeal:

i) 15/00521/OUT: land South of Mill Farm, Mill Lane, Hambleton – outline application for erection of 1 dwelling

It was resolved that the Council have no further comments on this appeal.

Date of Next Meeting: Ordinary Parish Meeting at 7.30pm Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2016 - Village Hall

Signed ...... Date .....