

STALMINE-WITH-STAYNALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 11 April 2017 at 7.00pm at the Village Hall, Stalmine

Present: Cllrs J Jackson (Chairman), D Forshaw, K Jenkinson, S Pelham and T Williams

In Attendance: Jan Finch, Clerk to the Council

136(2016-17) Apologies for Absence

None.

137(2016-17) Declaration of Interests and Dispensations

None.

138(2016-17) Minutes of the Last Meeting

Resolved: that the minutes of the meeting held on 14 March 2017 be agreed as a true record.

139(2016-17) Public Participation (Including Police Report)

Councillors **resolved** to adjourn the meeting to allow members of the public to bring matters relating to the agenda to the attention of the council.

Councillors noted the police report for the month of March 2017.

On the conclusion of public participation councillors **resolved** to reconvene the meeting.

140(2016-17) North West Air Ambulance Service – Request for a Donation

Councillors noted that the service had recently appointed a new community fundraiser who was approaching all parish and town councils in her area asking if they would consider giving a donation. Councillors **resolved** to make a donation of £100 on the basis that the service could help any member of the community.

141(2016-17) Parish Councillor Vacancy

Councillors noted that Cllr Walmsley had resigned as a parish councillor and that Wyre Council had been notified. The notice of casual vacancy was displayed on the parish council's notice board and on the website on 5 April and, for an election to be held, a request in writing signed by ten local government electors must be made by 27 April. Councillor **resolved** to consider this further at the next meeting.

142(2016-17) Public Rights of Way Local Delivery Scheme

Councillors noted the continued emphasis on vegetation clearance around gates/stiles/signposts and upgrowth such as nettles and brambles growing through the surface on the public footpath network and the one-off payment of £250.00. Councillors **resolved** to participate in the Scheme.

143(2016-17) Planning Applications

17/00261/FUL

Proposal: Conversion of existing outbuilding to form ancillary granny annexe and 1 holiday cottage in association with existing on site equine facilities

Location: Ingle Nook, 11 Staynall Lane, Stalmine

It was agreed that the parish council has no objections to the proposal.

17/00260/REM

Proposal: Reserved matters application for the erection of two detached dwellings (following outline approval 14/00064/OUT)

Location: Land Off Old Toms Lane, Stalmine

It was agreed that the parish council has no objections to the proposal but noted that the applicant did not own all the land shown on the plan for widened access.

17/00230/OUT

Proposal: Outline application for the erection of one detached bungalow with access applied for (all other matters reserved)

Location: High Tor, Staynall Lane, Stalmine

It was agreed that the parish council has no objections to the proposal.

17/00192/OUT

Proposal: Outline application for the erection of one detached dwelling with layout, appearance, scale and access applied for (landscaping matter reserved) resubmission of 15/00998/OUT)

Location: Land Adjacent to Bramble Bank, Staynall Lane, Stalmine

It was agreed that the parish council has no objections to the proposal.

17/00188/FUL

Proposal: Front dormer, alterations to front gable and creation of a rear balcony

Location: Stellar View, Stricklands Lane, Stalmine

It was agreed that the parish council has no objections to the proposal.

144(2016-17) Finance**a) Receipts this month**

Business Reserve Account interest (March)	£0.12
General Reserve Account interest	£4.23
Precept	£23,406.00

b) Payments to be approved:

1367/68/69	Staff costs	£1055.24
1367/68	Staff expenses on behalf of the Council	£569.94
1370	HMRC	£340.00
1371	DFX Systems	£65.00
1372	SLCC 2017/18 membership	£108.00
1373	LALC 2017/18 membership	£234.31

Payments by Standing Order for Noting:

Easy Websites (monthly hosting fee)	£24.00
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c) Statement of Accounts – March 2017

The statement of accounts for the month ending 31 March shows:

Business Current Account	£8,023.66
Business High Interest Account	£14,033.27
General Reserve Account	£3,394.54

d) Budget Monitoring – End of Year

Councillors noted the Q4 Budget Monitoring statement and the outturn position with overspends on petrol/oil, parish maintenance and accommodation. Councillors further noted that, despite this, spending had been contained within the overall budget with the overspends balanced by the underspend on the miscellaneous/contingencies budget.

Councillors **resolved** to approve the accounts for payment and noted the receipts, the payment by standing order, the statement of accounts and the Q4 budget monitoring report.

145(2016-17) Reports from Outside Bodies (for information)

Cllr Jackson reported that she had been contacted by Wyre Council in her role as Planning Ambassador for information on community facilities in the parish. Alongside the Local Plan Wyre has to prepare an Infrastructure Delivery Plan containing details on how they have identified the necessary infrastructure required to support the growth planned for in the Local Plan. Cllr Jackson confirmed that she would provide information on the village hall, the church (including the post office facility), the pub, Wyre Villa the playing field and the play area.

146(2016-17) Clerk's Report (for information)

Councillors noted the Clerk's report in respect of:

Co-op Funeral Home – Knott End

Co-op Funeralcare has opened a Funeral Home on Lancaster Road, Knott End and it will be officially opened, blessed and dedicated on Saturday 29th April 2017. Rev Andy Shaw from the Over Wyre Group of Parishes will officiate at this ceremony and the Mayor of Preesall will perform the official opening. The service itself will last no more than an hour, starting at about 11:00am, but the Funeral Home will be open most of the day for any visitors to pop in, have a chat and a look around.

"Friends Against Scams"

Lancashire Trading Standards, in conjunction with The National Trading Standards Scams Team, is holding a "Friends Against Scams" awareness and training event on Wednesday April 26th at The Council Chamber, County Hall, Preston. The event is designed for anyone who may want advice on how to spot scams, how to identify and help potential scam victims and will provide the knowledge and skills to further promote awareness throughout the community. The event is free of charge and you can attend either a morning or afternoon session. Please use this link to access a booking facility - <https://www.friendsagainstscams.org.uk/session.php?xCmd=find>. When booking can you please enter your name, organisation, email, telephone number and how many seats you would like to reserve.

Draft School Place Provision Strategy 2017/18 to 2019/20

The role of the county council, as strategic commissioning authority, is to ensure that there is the right number of school places, in the right areas, at the right time to meet demand. In order to support schools in meeting this aim, the county council is consulting on its draft School Place Provision Strategy 2017/18 to 2019/20. The document sets out a framework for school place commissioning and contains a set of approaches to inform decision making in relation to individual proposals. On occasions where the authority is proposing to make changes to school provision, it will continue to do so in partnership with schools and other partners, with the aim being to reach consensus of those involved whilst adhering to the key driver of improving standards. It should be noted that any figures included within the strategy, are taken at a set point in time and we acknowledge that figures included now are likely to change in the future as communities and populations change. Therefore, all schools should be assured that the figures will be updated prior to moving forward on any individual proposals. To view or download the draft School Place Provision Strategy 2017/18 to 2019/20, please visit: <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools> and click on 'School Organisation Reviews'.

The direct link is: <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/council/performance-inspections-reviews/children-education-and-families/school-organisation-reviews/draft-school-place-provision-strategy-201718-to->

[201920.aspx](#). The closing date for comments is Friday 28th April and written comments should be returned to schoolplanning@lancashire.gov.uk.

The Jo Cox Foundation - The Great Get Together

The anniversary of Jo Cox's murder is to be marked by asking communities and neighbours to come together, to share food and to celebrate what we hold in common. The Foundation said "Jo's killing was aimed at dividing us - and we can imagine no better response to that than a public showing of unity. We hope to show that no matter what party you vote for, where you come from or how you voted in a referendum - there is more that unites us than divides us. As such we will ask people to take part in 'The Great Get Together' by holding events on the 17 and 18th of June (the 16th is the actual anniversary) from street parties and picnics to shared barbecues and community bake offs with the aim of building one of the UK's biggest ever community events. We're teaming up with a large number of fantastic people and organisations to make this possible. Between us we expect to organise between 90,000 and 100,000 community events and hope that over ten million people will take part".

LALC Spring Conference

The Conference will take place at the Leyland Hotel on Saturday 13 May from 9.30am to 4.15pm and is free to members (including lunch). The programme will include an update on National Matters from the Head of Policy and Development, at the National Association of Local Councils; a workshop/presentation on becoming a Dementia friend and the Dementia café by South Ribble Borough Council; personnel matters by the Peninsula Group Ltd and emergency Planning by Lancashire County Council. Bookings must be made no later than 28 April.

Planning Workshop

LALC will hold a workshop on 20 April from 7 to 9pm at their offices in Penwortham. The programme includes looking at planning structures including Local Development Framework and its documents; consideration of material considerations and the planning process; a planning Quiz; the opportunity to consider actual Planning applications with case studies and observations and a look at a local plan. The cost is £25.

Newlands Cattery Sign

Wyre Council has looked at the sign and confirmed that it is compliant with the required planning regulations.

147(2016-17) Retirement of the Clerk

Councillors noted that the Clerk will retire after the September meeting and her last day of employment would be 17 September and resolved to recruit a new Clerk. Pursuant to Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act councillors **resolved** to exclude the press and public to discuss the recruitment of a new Clerk and the terms and conditions of employment to be offered.

148(2016-17) Date and Time of Next Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the Parish Council will be on **Tuesday 9 May 2017** at 7.00pm. The Annual Parish Meeting will take place at 6.30pm.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.45pm.