

STALMINE-WITH-STAYNALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 13 October 2015 at 7.00pm at the Village Hall, Stalmine

Present: Cllrs J Jackson (Chairman), K Jenkinson and S Pelham

In Attendance: Jan Finch, Clerk to the Council and one member of the public.

049(2015-16) Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr A Wallace and the reason accepted.

050(2015-16) Declaration of Interests and Dispensations

Cllr Jenkinson declared a non-prejudicial interest in Item 6 (Container for Flood Event Equipment) as a member of the Village Hall Committee.

051(2015-16) Minutes of the Last Meeting

Resolved: that the minutes of the meeting held on 11 August 2015 be agreed as a true record.

052(2015-16) 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.

The Clerk reported that there should be a full police report next month as a new volunteer had been recruited.

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

053(2015-16) Projects for 2016/17

Councillors **resolved** to cost up two new projects for next year in order to consider their impact on the precept.

054(2015-16) Container for Flood Event Equipment

Cllr Jenkinson reported that the village hall committee had now decided that there was no room on the site to locate the container. Cllr Jackson reported that she had identified a possible alternative location on Old Tom's Lane and the Clerk had begun enquiries with Wyre Council and LCC. Councillors resolved to discuss the matter again once the outcome of those enquiries was known.

055(2015-16) Christmas Arrangements

Councillors **resolved** that the Christmas lights switch on would be on Monday 7th December at 6pm and that a donation of £50 would be made to the Over Wyre Band.

056(2015-16) Planning Applications

15/00758/FULMAJ

Proposal: Erection of 5 holiday units and erection of a building for a hydrotherapy pool, visitors centre and cafe for disabled visitors and carers

Location: Brick House Farm Cottages, Brick House Lane, Stalmine

It was agreed that the parish council objects to the proposal on the following grounds: the site is located on a narrow country lane with no speed limit and no passing places. Traffic on the lane has increased considerably given recent planning approvals and the number of large commercial vehicles has become much more common. The lane is now dangerous for pedestrians and riders and the

Parish Council feels that the increase in traffic generated by this development would add to what is already a problem. In addition the Parish Council is of the view that the scale of the development is overintensive for the site and out of character with the rural nature of this part of the village.

15/00737/COUQ

Proposal: Prior approval for change of use of agricultural building to 3 dwellings (Class C3) and associated operational development

Location: Land to the rear of New Hall Farm, Moss Side Lane, Stalmine

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

052(2015-16) Finance

a) Receipts this month

Business Reserve Account Interest (July and August)	£1.38
High Interest Account interest	£0.68
General Reserve Account Interest	£4.24

b) Payments to be approved:

1261/2/3	Staff costs	£894.27
1261/2	Staff expenses on behalf of the Council	£53.31
1264	HMRC	£660.40
1265	Preesall Auto Discount	£4.99
1266	Stalmine Village Hall	£220.00
1267	Wyre Building Supplies	£194.46

Payments by Standing Order for Noting:

Easy Websites (monthly hosting fee)	£24.00
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c) Statement of Accounts – August and September 2015

The statement of accounts for the month ending August 2015 shows

Business Current Account	£199.33
Business High Interest Account	£15,070.20
General Reserve Account	£3,364.92

The statement of accounts for the month ending September 2015 shows

Business Current Account	£175.33
Business High Interest Account	£15,070.88
General Reserve Account	£3,369.16

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

057(2015-16) Reports from Outside Bodies (for information)

Cllr Jackson reported that she had been unable to attend the Wyre Flood Forum meeting but there was nothing relevant to the parish on the agenda and she would not have been able to provide an update on the flood event equipment container.

058(2015-16) Clerk's Report (for information)

Councillors noted the Clerk's report in respect of:

Pedestrian Crossing

A letter has been received from Ben Wallace MP enclosing a letter from Phil Durnell, Head of Highways at LCC. In his letter Mr Durnell states that LCC is still in the process of carrying out traffic assessments and investigations which are unlikely to be completed until the end of 2015. Once completed LCC will determine whether a zebra crossing should be put forward in the centre of the village. He also states that any scheme put forward will have to compete to secure the limited funding that LCC has for road safety facilities. LCC will contact Mr Wallace to advise whether officers can support the request.

Playing Field – Dog Control Orders

Wyre Council has installed updated dog control signs on the playing field including the ban on dogs on the marked sport pitch.

Transparency Grant Application

The Government has established a Transparency Fund to enable parish councils to work towards compliance with the Transparency Code for Smaller Authorities and Councils who have undertaken work or bought equipment after 1 April 2015 solely to comply with the Transparency Code are eligible to apply. A grant application for £612 has been submitted.

Casual Vacancy

Following the resignation of Cllr Carrington after the last meeting Wyre Council has notified the Council that the last date for receipt of a request for an election is 27 October 2015.

Community Resilience Website

The Met Office has launched a community resilience web page containing severe weather links, best advice during severe weather and a link to the Weather Observations Website which enables individuals to submit independent weather observations to help improve understanding of local weather conditions and their impact. The web page can be viewed at www.metoffice.gov.uk/publicsector/resilience/community-resilience

Festival of Remembrance

The Mayor and Mayoress of Wyre will host the Festival of Remembrance at the Marine Hall, Fleetwood on November 4th at 7.30pm. Tickets cost £10 and must be pre-booked. All the proceeds will be donated to The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. Telephone 01253 887257 or call in at the Civic Centre, Poulton.

New Community Directory

Organisers of activity groups such as parent and toddler groups, dance groups and walking groups are being urged to provide details of their groups to go into a new community directory for use by doctors and health professionals. For further information please contact Angela Glass at: angela.glass@cvsbwf.org.uk

School and Community Tree Packs – Woodland Trust

The Woodland Trust has 3250 tree packs available for schools and community groups. Applications for this season are open, and all those eligible will receive their tree packs between 7-11 March 2016. The deadline for applications is 6 January 2016 but the application period may close early depending on the number of applications.

0559(2015-16) Date and Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on **Tuesday 10 November 2015** at 7.00pm.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.50pm.