



## **PREESALL TOWN COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of the Ordinary meeting of the Town Council held on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2024 at 7.00pm at Preesall and Knott End Youth and Community Centre**

**Present:** Cllrs P Orme (Mayor), C Rimmer, K Shepherd, R Drobny, K Tunstall, T Johnson, S Dobbie, A Hayes

Also present – the Clerk and 2 members of the public

**290.1 Apologies** Cllrs J Jenkinson, K Woods, J Lewin

#### **291.2 Declarations of interests and dispensations**

Cllr Johnson declared his Trade Union interest for employment matters.

#### **292.3 Minutes of the Ordinary Town Council meetings held on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2024 and 9<sup>th</sup> September 2024**

It was resolved that the minutes of the above meetings were approved as a true record.

#### **293.4 Public participation**

A member of the public attended to update on a number of points relating to the Quarry application.

A meeting has been held with the Lead of Lancashire County Council Highways department to discuss the traffic implications on Lancaster Road, Burned House Lane and Fold House corner. A new traffic management plan is expected and some additional ecology studies are being progressed. The next hearing for the Quarry application will possibly be in December 2024.

A member of the public outlined their plans for a Knott End Passport for 2025 to promote the village for visitors. This would be a 10 to 12 page document in passport size. It was resolved that council would help where it could.

Sgt Elliot Jones and a PCSO attended the meeting. Sgt Jones has recently been allocated to our area. He advised that he has 4 PCSO's and 1 PC to cover his area and is hoping to add a further PC in November.

He advised that there had been 113 logs in the period 1<sup>st</sup> September 2024 to 10<sup>th</sup> October 2024.

Various points were raised with Sgt Jones:

Parking outside Zeera in the village – he advised that this is an issue for the Parking Enforcement Officers.

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Drug taking and dealing on the Ferry car park – he advised that he would be looking to increase police presence in the area but that any intelligence would help him to escalate the issues internally.

Speeding on Pilling Lane, especially near Carters Chairty School – again he advised that any intelligence would help him with this.

A member of the public did raise an issue with parking on Hampson Grove. This has already been raised but Sgt Jones advised that on the occasions police have attended there have been no issues. The Police are not able to issue any parking tickets unless they actually see the offence for themselves.

## **294.5 Planning Applications**

### **To be considered and resolved to object/not object at the meeting**

Planning Application - Consultation

Application Number: 24/00796/FUL

Proposal: Erection of agricultural livestock/storage building and access track

Location: 2 Fernbreck Cottages Back Lane Preesall Poulton-Le-Fylde Lancashire

**It was resolved by a majority to not object to this application. It was noted that this application has previously been rejected by Wyre Borough.**

Planning Application - Consultation

Application Number: 24/00574/FUL

Proposal: Demolition of existing annexe building. Construction of replacement annexe building and new swimming pool. Removal of existing roof mounted solar panels. Erection of replacement solar panels in garden at ground level.

Location: 17 Kingston Close Knott End-on-sea Poulton-Le-Fylde Lancashire FY6 0DJ

**It was resolved by a majority to respond to this application with clarification required on the planning permission granted for the original building and more information required on a potential rebuild.**

Planning Application - Consultation

Application Number: 24/00835/FUL

Proposal: Formation of a single storey rear extension following the demolition of an existing conservatory

Location: Beech Holme Hackensall Road Knott End-on-sea Poulton-Le-Fylde

**It was resolved unanimously to not object to this application.**

### **Considered via email with no objections**

None

### **295.6 Quarry Planning Update**

No further update at this time.

### **296.7 Land on Pilling Lane, Micks Garage and Kelly's Corner**

Pilling Lane and Micks Garage are in the hands of the Solicitors and Kelly's corner in the hands of the Wyre Legal Department.

The clerk is chasing the solicitors for Micks Garage as we have also been approached by the vendors to update on the current position.

### **297.8 Finance**

Councillors noted

8.1 Bank statements balances Unity 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024 £65,250.94 and Virgin 31<sup>st</sup> August 2024 £111,722,26.

8.2 Cllrs noted payments made for September 2024. It was advised that the Finance Meeting was not able to be held due to absentees. Cllrs were asked to resolve the payments for September 2024. This was agreed unanimously.

8.3 Agreed as a correct record the bank reconciliations to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2024.

8.4 As the Finance Committee had not been able to meet Councillors felt that further time was required before they could resolve to accept the new model Financial Regulations (emailed).

### **298.9 SPID Project**

No further update at this time.

### **299.10 Heritage Shelters**

The Clerk updated that the shelter at Barton Square would be removed on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2024 and the new shelter installed the following day. No date is available, at this time, for the shelter at the ferry.

### **300.11 Mayoral Chains**

We have received two quotes for new chains. It was resolved that Cllr Drobny will circulate options and prices to be considered at the next council meeting.

**301.12 Telescopes**

It was resolved to purchase a Heritage Wheelchair accessible telescope to be sited at the Ferry Slip.

**302.13 Documents for Review**

Training and Development Policy

Audio Visual Policy

It was resolved to accept the above documents.

Star Award policy

It was resolved to put on the agenda for the next Civic Committee

Freedom of Information document

It was resolved to review as part of a Data Protection and Communications working group. This to be led by Cllr Rimmer who will produce a Terms of Reference for the next meeting in November.

Preesall Town Council Financial Regulations

Due to the Finance Meeting being postponed it was resolved to carry this over to the next meeting.

**303.14 Projects for 2025/2026 plus 3 years**

It was resolved that councillors would submit any projects for 2025/2026 to be discussed at the next meeting in November as part of the budget discussions.

It was resolved that the Finance Committee would review the provision of three year forecasts as outlined in the Financial Regulations produced by the National Association of Local Councils and produce recommendations to full council.

**304.15 Conclusion of the external audit**

It was resolved unanimously to accept and close the external audit.

**305.16 UK Parliament Week**

Cllr Johnson proposed that the possibility of a community event or events to cover the roles and responsibilities of Preesall Town Council, Wyre Borough Council and Lancashire County Council be considered.

It was resolved that the Civic Committee discuss this with a view to setting up a working group before reporting back to council.

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**306.17 Road safety in Rosemount Ave area.**

Cllr Orme outlined the road safety concerns on Rosemount Ave, in particular near Juniper Close. This has now been magnified with the new housing estate. It was resolved that the clerk would write to Lancashire County Council to lobby for road safety measures in that area outlining the expectations of the council.

**307.18 Overnight parking by camper vans on the Esplanade and Quailholme Road car park.**

Concerns have been raised by residents regarding the increased number of vehicles parking overnight and the impact on the area. It was resolved to progress a number of actions as below: Cllr Rimmer to find out about the scheme for camper vans parking in Fleetwood and if any issues have been encountered.

The clerk to write to LCC regarding a bus stop sign at the middle shelter on the promenade and the possibility of no overnight parking signs on the promenade.

The clerk to write to Wyre Borough to enquire about the terms for parking on the Quailholme Road car park.

**308.19 Road safety on NatWest Bank corner and at the seats at the ferry**

Cllr Orme raised concerns about the parking of vehicles on the NatWest Bank corner and road safety issues and the safety of the seats at the ferry.

It was resolved that the clerk would write to LCC Highways about the possibility of bollards being erected on the bank corner and also write to Wyre Borough Council about increasing the number of bollards at the ferry to offer more protection for the seating area.

**309.20 Second PTC CCTV**

It was resolved that Cllr Orme and the clerk take this project forward, purchase another camera and negotiate with Wyre Borough Council a new contract.

It was resolved that the camera should be located in the Lancaster Road/Park Lane/Sandy Lane junction area and advice taken as to the best location.

**310.21 Website and email**

To bring the council in line with the current standards it has been proposed to move the website and email to 'gov.uk'.

It was resolved that the clerk works with Easy Web Sites to plan this move.

### **311.22 Councillor Vacancy**

The timeframe for an election has now passed so council need to resolve how they wish to conduct the co-option exercise.

It was resolved to advertise the vacancy on the web site, on the Facebook page, on our noticeboards and in the Focus Magazine. Deadline for applications is Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October, these to be discussed at full council meeting on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November with interviews on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November.

### **THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE FOR INFORMATION ONLY**

#### **312.23 Reports from subject leads and outside body representatives**

Nothing to report.

#### **313.24 Reports from Wyre councillors**

Cllr Rimmer reported that the Rosslyn Avenue development is back in Wyre Borough planning department.

#### **314.25 Clerk's report**

The Clerk gave an update on a number of points from the LEON meeting:

There is a possibility of purchasing a wind speed monitor to help manage safety at events. Wyre Borough are to review the timings of approvals from Lancashire County Council for road closures.

A discussion took place with regards to Martyns Law. It was felt that Town Council events would be below the threshold for this but you must ensure appropriate risk assessment is in place.

#### **315.26 Mayor's report**

Mayor Orme thanked those that were able to attend the St Aidan's School event at The Villa to lend their support.

#### **316.27 Questions to councillors**

An update was requested about the Remembrance and Christmas Lights switch on events. The Clerk reported that these were all in progress.

**317.28      Items for next agenda**

The next full council meeting will be held **on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November starting at 7pm** - councillors are asked to raise matters to be included on the agenda and provide updates from working groups by notifying the clerk **in writing by Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2024** at the latest. The item should specify the business which it is proposed be transacted, in such a way that the members who receive it can identify the matters which they will be expected to discuss i.e. it needs to specify what the proposal is and that a decision is required or whether the item is for information only.