



HALTON WITH AUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL

MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 8TH FEBRUARY 2017 AT THE CENTRE @ HALTON

Chair: Cllr Carol Slinger
Present: Cllrs: Brian Jefferson, Barbara Duffy, Bob Bauld, member of the public from Pointer Grove
Clerk: Luke Mills

17/02/2465 Apologies for absence:

Cllr Karen Gibson

17/02/2466 Approval of Minutes of previous meeting

It was resolved: that the minutes of the meeting held on 11th January 2016 be accepted as a true record and signed by the Chair subject to the following amendments:

- Item 17/01/2453 c) : Allotment Income corrected to £372.50 from £412.50
- Item 17/01/2453 c) : Balance Carried Forward corrected to £13,742.06

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- a) Declaration of member's interests in Agenda Items - None
- b) Change in declaration of member's interests – None

17/02/2468 Suspension of Standing Orders

Russell Armer are likely to apply for full planning permission on the High Road/Pointer Grove/Arrow Lane development shortly. Drainage is a major issue, since a large amount of water run-off can occur off that field, which has led to surface water flooding along Pointer Grove, Arrow Land and High Road in the past. The resident from Pointer Grove is very concerned that the development will exacerbate the flooding unless the drainage is improved.

Cllr Jefferson suggested that this application cannot be supported unless the issue of liability and adequacy of pipes is resolved. The residents should to respond directly to the planning application. The Parish Council are likely to respond similarly. Cllr Jefferson suggested that the residents describe the history and design of the current drainage along Pointer Grove.

17/02/2469 To consider and approve reports

a) Open Spaces Report

The Parish Clerk reported that various maintenance tasks have been completed:

- New posts have been installed on the group swings at St Wilfrid's Park, which has allowed a couple of swings to be reinstalled.
- The football shelter has been repaired
- The Navigator in the play area has been cleaned and greased
- The MUGA and path beside the skate park have been power washed
- Removal of brambles from Quarry Road grassed area and around The Centre

The following are in progress:

- A bolt has been sourced for repairing the Air Walker, but 2 large plastic washers are still required.
- A bench has been purchased for the War Memorial bus shelter, which will be installed once the shelter has been painted.
- Options for repairing the rotten boardwalk posts are still being considered.

b) HCA Report

Cllr Jefferson reported that they are carrying-out an electrical survey. The Centre is close to being fully booked, including a new regular booking for Sundays.

c) Finance Report

Brought Forward		13,742.06
Income		
	Allotments	102.50
Expenditure		
	Payments	3,679.22
Carried Forward		10,165.34
made up of:		
	General Account	-2,205.97
	Village Improvement Account	10,401.73
	Play Equipment	1,969.58

It was resolved: to accept the Finance Report to 8th February 2017.

d) Allotments

The Parish Clerk reported that all payments have now been received. A refund request has been received from the previous holder of plot 11a who relinquished the plot last year due to the flooding and the associated upheaval.

It was resolved: that the Parish Clerk will check the allotment lease and date that the plot was relinquished.

e) Burial Ground

It was resolved: that the groundsmen will sift through the Green bins and put green waste on the compost and non-recyclable waste into the Grey bins.

f) Planning**New Applications**

- Discharge of condition 9 on approved application 15/01601/REM
 - Land To The East Of St Wilfrids Hall Foundry Lane Halton Lancashire
 - Ref. No: 16/00224/DIS | Status: Awaiting decision
- Discharge of conditions 7, 9 and 17 on approved application 14/01136/OUT
 - Land To The East Of St Wilfrids Hall Foundry Lane Halton Lancashire
 - Ref. No: 16/00223/DIS | Status: Awaiting decision
- Outline application of the demolition of 3 dwellings and erection of 3 replacement dwellings
Open for Comment
 - The Brooklands, Pine Lodge And Rosewood Kirkby Lonsdale Road Halton Lancaster Lancashire
 - Ref. No: 16/01430/OUT | Status: Awaiting decision

Decisions

- Temporary retention and extension of hardstanding
 - Middle Highfield Aughton Road Aughton Lancaster Lancashire LA2 6PQ
 - Ref. No: 16/01528/FUL | Status: Application Refused
- Erection of a single storey side extension with link corridor to the main house
 - Halton Green House Green Lane Halton Lancaster Lancashire LA2 6PB

- Ref. No: 16/01407/FUL | Status: Application Permitted
- Various works as per quote
 - Clock House Church Brow Halton Lancaster Lancashire LA2 6LP
 - Ref. No: 08/0099/TCA | Status: Closed (Expired)
- 1 x Wild Cherry Tree - wish to either fell or reduce and thin the crown
 - Field Cottage Barn 87 High Road Halton Lancaster Lancashire LA2 6PS
 - Ref. No: 08/0051/TCA | Status: Closed (Expired)

The Council raised no objections or comments.

17/02/2470 Permission for gardening club to place a planter next to the Millennium seat on High Road

It was resolved: that the Parish Council does not have the power to provide permission since the land is not owned by the Parish Council. However they supported the request.

17/02/2471 Caravan on Foundry Lane

The Parish Clerk reported that the caravan has been reported to Lancashire County Council, Highways and Lancaster City Council. None has accepted responsibility for dealing with it yet, though Highways have yet to formally respond. The Parish Council believes that it is the responsibility of Highways.

It was resolved: that the Parish Clerk contact Dave Berry for advice

It was resolved: that the Parish Clerk will turn off the burial ground water supply

17/02/2472 Story Homes Development

The Parish Council met with a representative from Story Homes prior to the Parish Council meeting. Story Homes reported that they will shortly be applying for outline planning permission to build 85 homes. The current Lancaster City Council policy is that new developments should provide 40% affordable homes.

They have offered to investigate ways in which the current football pitch can be improved and also to help with the routing of the B4RN ducting. They would hope to provide some traffic calming on Low Road, but this would need agreement from Highways.

17/02/2473 War Memorial Renovation

Cllr Jefferson reported that he has received one a response to the request for renovating the war memorial.

17/02/2474 Approval for Arboricultural Report

It was resolved: that Cllr Jefferson accepts the quote to produce the tree survey behind the childrens play area on Low Road at a cost of £126.

17/02/2475 B4RN Funding

Cllr Slinger reported that the cabinet has been installed and now needs an electricity supply routing from The Centre. Two quotes have been received. Additionally, the digging teams need a set of tools for digging the trenches and installing ducting. Cllr Slinger proposed that a sum of money be set aside for funding the electricity supply work, including necessary tools.

It was resolved: that a sum of £1,000 plus vat be allocated to cover the cost of tools and electrical supply work.

17/02/2476 Lighting and security for the new shed

Cllr Slinger reported that the housing for the new generator is now complete, though it still needs lighting and securing by means of a bollard and connection to the tool shed alarm. Two quotes for the installation of lighting have been received.

It was resolved: that the spending of £269.00 plus vat on a security bollard be approved.

It was resolved: that the quote of £329.79 plus vat for lighting work be approved.

17/02/2477 Preparations for Year End

It was resolved: that the Lloyds bank accounts will be closed.

17/02/2478 To approve accounts for payment for expenses incurred since the last meeting

Payee	Description	Gross
Enviroplay Ltd	Repairs to St Wilfrid's Park	2001.60
Carl Richardson	Salary – Jan	412.50
Luke Mills	Salary - Jan + Expenses	467.79
Luke Mills	Expenses - Bus shelter seat	344.52
S&W Fabrications Ltd	B4RN cable frame	119.04
Carl Richardson	Expenses – Bolts	10.97
Carol Slinger	Expenses - Security bollard	322.80

It was resolved: to approve the above expenditure and the cheques duly signed.

17/02/2479 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council be arranged for Wednesday 8th March 2017 at 7:15pm at The Centre @ Halton. There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 8:30pm

Signed..... Chair Date

Minutes subject to approval at the next meeting.