

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ECCLESTON PARISH COUNCIL, held on TUESDAY, 11 OCTOBER 2016 at 7.30 pm in ECCLESTON VILLAGE HALL, Kiln Lane, Ecclestone

PRESENT: Cllr Sims (Deputy Chair)
Cllrs Ashcroft, Broughton, Duncan, Haw, Kempell, Skepper and Watmough
J Anderson (Clerk)
2 Residents

APOLOGIES:

16.66 Cllrs Dawson, Gray-Williams, C Pearl and G Pearl

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

16.67 None declared.

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 13 SEPTEMBER 2016

16.68 **Resolved that the Minutes be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.**

MATTERS ARISING

16.69 None

RESIDENTS' ISSUES

16.70 Residents raised the issue of empty nitrous oxide canisters left on the car park in Walmesley Road and also litter on the field and outside the shops. Councillors replied that it was a litter problem and would check with refuse collection.

POLICE REPORT

16.71 PCSO Green had been unable to attend and no crime figures had been received.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

16.72 The Parish Council would be represented at St Julies Church on Sunday 13 November 2016 at 9.45am service with prayers and wreath laying afterwards at Ecclestone War Memorial at 11.00am. **Councillors were requested to arrive at Church at 9.30am.**

TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY

16.73 Ecclestone Library had agreed the date for the Christmas tree lighting as Thursday 1 December 2016 at 11am. St Julies Primary School would provide the choir. Rainford's Christmas Tree Land had confirmed they would kindly donate the tree.

REPORTS

16.74 **Resolved to note the following:**

Editorial Sub Cttee – 5 October 2016, 2pm, Ecclestone Village Hall Cllrs Pearl and Sims along with the Clerk attended to discuss the Parish magazine. It was agreed to suggest:

- the magazine be A5 size with a colour front and back
- front page to include Parish badge and photo/drawing of hall/Smithy and maybe Ecclesfield on the back
- the Chairman's report be on 2 A5 pages to include one photo
- the usual items to be included:
 - schedule of meetings

- Parish finances
- articles from schools (5) one side of A5 each
- churches
- groups/clubs that use the Village Hall
- Smithy – opening times and events
- war memorial – Remembrance Sunday/wreath laying
- Willowbrook Hospice – update/events
- Lester Drive – one side of A5
- cricket/bowling club
- tennis club
- bowling club
- Ecclesfield/teams
- Ecclestone Library
- sailing club

Councillors agreed with the suggestions. A further Editorial Sub Ctte would be held when a draft magazine had been prepared.

Finance Sub Ctte – 11 October 2016, 6.45pm, Ecclestone Village Hall Cllrs Ashcroft, Duncan, Haw, Sims and Skepper attended along with the Clerk. The current budget position was monitored. Both expenditure and income were discussed.

Smithy – 11 October 2016, 7.00pm, Ecclestone Village Hall All Cllrs were given a copy of the Curators’ report and the following points were discussed:

- Macmillan Coffee Morning –raised £50
- Windfall Apple Collection Day – very successful and curators hoped to make it an annual family event
- Loan box hire – Evelyn PC to confirm loan
- Local Charity Sale Day – possibly table top sale to raise awareness of the Smithy and local charities. Clerk to check maximum number of stalls allowed before it is considered a market
- New Job – Vicky reported that she had been appointed as Communication and Engagement Officer for Macclesfield Museums on a part time basis not causing any conflict with her position at the Smithy. Cllrs congratulated Vicky.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

16.75 **Resolved to note the following:**

Delegated

93 Pinfold Drive	Demolition of existing conservatory and erection of a part two storey, part single storey side extension N/O
69 Springfield Lane	Works to trees covered by a tree preservation order to fell 10no beech trees (T3, T6, T7, T12, T13, T15, T16, T19, T21, T26) and prune 16no beech trees, including crown lifting, reduction and dead wood removal Refer to trees and woodlands officer
Valencia Barn	Re-submission of previous approval P/14/0034 for the conversion of barn to a residential dwelling with new window openings, demolition of existing cow shed replaced with single storey side extension along with detached double garage and store EPC seek assurances that this barn conversion is restricted to the footprint of the existing barn and that there are no windows in the gable end overlooking the bungalows
26 Broadway	Single storey side and rear extension N/O
31 Walmesley Road	Front porch and garage extension along with new pitched roof over existing garage N/O
Rainhill Rd	Consultation on removal of payphone N/O
Trapwood Close	Consultation on removal of payphone N/O

Gillars Green Dr Consultation on removal of payphone N/O
Walmesley Rd Consultation on removal of payphone N/O

ACCOUNTS

16.76 **Resolved to note the following:**

Received: Village Hall Hire £374; R Kelsey PAYE £77.80; Ecclesfield Insurance contribution £276.50; Smithy Fairy day event £90; Smithy HOD £208; Windle PC phone £11.46; Interest £2.22
 NatWest refund on charges £41.08

TOTAL **£1081.06**

GPS Telecom – Clerk telephone	41.27
RBL Poppy Appeal – poppy wreath	20.00
Came & Co Insurance annual renewal (inc £276.50 Eccfld)	2329.13
A Hirons – purchase and fit toilet seat in ladies at VH	30.00
Post Office Ltd – PAYE and NI July-Sept	1418.76
L Poole – October	415.65
J Chamberlain – October + expenses for HOD	236.39
V Griffiths – October	168.86
J Anderson – October – inc petty cash	1232.55
Merseyside Pension Fund – employer and employee contributions	413.45
Paul Potter Garden Services – one visit Oct + exp for HOD	72.31
United Utilities – Oct	10.37
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Total	£6415.20

RECONCILIATION - The Clerk reported that as at 30 September 2016 the Balance in the Current Account was £6,500.00, Reserve Account £41,037.55 and Capital Deposit Account £465.03.

PETTY CASH - Expenditure for the month of September 2016 £11.60
Approximate balance at the end of September 2016 £9.29

CORRESPONDENCE

16.77 **Resolved to note the following:**

St Helens Council – invitation from the Mayor and Mayoress to the Remembrance Sunday parade and service. Sunday 13 November 2016, arrival at the Town Hall 10.20am. **Clr Sims would attend.**
Official Receipt – Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal for donation for wreath - **noted**

DATES OF MEETINGS

16.78 **Resolved to note the following:**

Tuesday 8 November 16	7.00pm	Smithy Meeting	Village Hall
	7.30pm	Parish Council	Village Hall

The meeting closed at 8pm.

SIGNED

DATED