



HALTON WITH AUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL

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

Chair: Cllr Carol Slinger
Present: Cllrs: Brian Jefferson, Barbara Duffy, Bob Bauld, Karen Gibson
Clerk: Luke Mills

17/03/2480 Apologies for absence:
None

17/03/2481 Approval of Minutes of previous meeting

It was resolved: that the minutes of the meeting held on 8th February 2017 be accepted as a true record and signed by the Chair subject to the following amendments:

- Item 17/02/2466 : Reference to 11th January 2016 amended to 11th January 2017

17/03/2482 Council

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

17/03/2483 Suspension of Standing Orders
None.

17/03/2484 To consider and approve reports

a) Open Spaces Report

Cllr Jefferson reported that:

- The walls of the War Memorial Bus shelter have now been painted and the new bench installed. There is loose and missing mortar to the external walls, which will be repaired soon.
- The arm to the Air Walker exercise equipment has been fixed.
- The grass mats in the Toddlers Play Area have been cleared and the steps re-laid to reduce the risk of slips and trips.
- Further brambles have been cleared along the Link Path.
- The seat at the far end of the football pitch has been painted.

It was resolved: that the Parish Clerk will ask the groundsmen to prioritise bramble clearance along the Link Path, which may mean the budget is exceeded.

Cllr Jefferson is also exploring ways in which the football pitch could be extended to meet FA regulations, including the potential purchase of some of the northern banking. Additionally the War Memorial Trust has been contacted to discuss the feasibility of a grant towards the restoration work.

Cllr Bauld raised the issue of continued speeding along Church Brow.

It was resolved: that the Parish Clerk will contact County Cllr Susie Charles to prompt for a response from Highways.

Cllr Slinger reported that a trench has been dug from the B4RN cabinet to The Centre.

It was resolved: that the Parish Clerk contact the Rights of Way Officer about the state of the riverside path which is very muddy and slippery in places.

b) HCA Report

Cllr Jefferson reported that there is now a regular Sunday booking, so overall bookings are good. Café proceeds have increased from last year.

c) Finance Report

Brought Forward		10,165.34
Income		
	Bank Interest	2.34
	VAT refund	4,175.69
Expenditure		
	Payments	3,561.55
Carried Forward		10,781.82
made up of:		
	General Account	-1,589.49
	Village Improvement Account	10,401.73
	Play Equipment	1,969.58

It was resolved: to transfer £1,969.58 from the Play Equipment to the General Account

It was resolved: that the Parish Clerk list all planned capital expenditure in time for the next meeting.

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

d) Allotments

The Parish Clerk reported that a plot has become available, so has been offered to the next person in the waiting list. Cllr Gibson reported that the shed currently leaning against the wall will prevent the groundsmen from cutting the grass.

It was resolved: that the Parish Clerk will contact the owner the shed & water tanks to ensure they are moved away from the wall.

It was resolved: that the previous tenant of plot 13a will be refunded £15.62

e) Burial Ground

The Parish Clerk reported that the green bins at the Burial Ground are no longer being emptied by the City Council and that they both contained a large amount of sawdust and wood chippings. The caravan is still parked outside the burial ground, but highways are aware and taking action.

It was resolved: that the Parish Clerk will ask the City Council to remove green bins.

It was resolved: that Parish Clerk asks the groundsmen to regularly dismantle discarded wreathes and compost the green waste.

f) Planning

New Applications

- Outline application for the erection of up to 90 dwellings with associated new access
 - Land South Of Low Road And East Of Forge Lane Halton Lancashire
 - Ref. No: 17/00165/OUT | Status: Awaiting decision
- Screening request for residential development for up to 90 dwellings
 - Land South Of Low Road And East Of Forge Lane Halton Lancashire
 - Ref. No: 17/00229/EIR | Status: Awaiting decision
- Felling of young Sycamore trees within (W1) and remove two stems from one Sycamore tree (Tree A within W1)

- Halton Lune Hydroelectric Scheme Forgebank Walk Halton Lancashire
- Ref. No: 17/0025/TPO | Status: Awaiting decision
- Demolition of existing garage and replacement of a single storey rear extension
 - 165 High Road Halton Lancaster Lancashire LA2 6PY
 - Ref. No: 17/00159/FUL | Status: Awaiting decision
- Demolition of single storey side extension, erection of a two storey side extension, construction of a dormer extension to the front elevation and two dormer extensions to the rear elevation
 - Mayfield Schoolhouse Lane Halton Lancaster Lancashire LA2 6QX
 - Ref. No: 17/00114/FUL | Status: Awaiting decision

Decisions

- 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: Application Permitted
- 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: Initial Response Sent
- Outline application of the demolition of 3 dwellings and erection of 3 replacement dwellings
 - The Brooklands, Pine Lodge And Rosewood Kirkby Lonsdale Road Halton Lancaster Lancashire
 - Ref. No: 16/01430/OUT | Status: Application Withdrawn

The Council raised no objections or comments.

17/03/2485 Emergency Plan Expenditure

Cllr Slinger will summarise the remaining budget for the next meeting. Cllr Slinger reported that there are some complexities in connecting the generator to the Centre due to the PV panels, but the electrician is working on a solution.

17/03/2486 Parish Leaflet

Cllr Jefferson discussed options for producing a parish leaflet that would help promote the parish. Caton & Hornby have similar leaflets. There was a discussion about whether a web presence or leaflet would be best. Promotional ideas included: Orienteering map, walks, cycle routes, businesses, The Centre.

17/03/2487 To approve accounts for payment for expenses incurred since the last meeting

Payee	Description	Gross
Luke Mills	Salary - Feb + Expenses	446.89
Carl Richardson	Salary - Feb + Expenses	749.83
Garry Bretherton	Salary - Feb	177.46
Kyle Oram	Salary - Feb	118.32
Public Works Loan Board	Loan repayment	2069.05
	TOTAL	3561.55

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

17/03/2488 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council be arranged for Wednesday 12th April 2017 at 7:15pm at The Centre @ Halton. There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 8:15pm.

Signed..... Chair Date

Minutes subject to approval at the next meeting.