Salterforth Parish Council

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of Salterforth Parish Council Meeting held at Salterforth Village Hall, Salterforth at 7:30 on Wednesday 27th March 2019

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1. Welcome

The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting of full council

2. Attendance, Apologies and Non Attendance

To record, accept or otherwise, attendance, apologies for absence and non-attendance

Attending Clirs: Christine Pollard (Chairman), Andy Fitton, Joyce Wilson, Amy Latham, Howard Bradley, Val Langtree, Kevin Singleton

Apologies received: Parish Clerk S Schollick

3. Declarations of Interests

Members are reminded of the legal requirement concerning declarations of interests.

A Member must declare a disclosable pecuniary interest which he/she has in any item on the agenda.

A Member with a disclosable pecuniary interest in any item may not participate in any discussion of the matter at the meeting and must not participate in any vote taken on the matter at the meeting

In addition it is suggested that a Member with a disclosable pecuniary interest leave the room where the meeting is held while any discussion or voting takes place.

None were declared

4. Public Forum

a. Mrs Mary Town showed the Cllrs. a copy of the Foulridge Times Winter Newsletter published on behalf of the Foulridge Parish Council, and asked if the Salterforth Parish Council could initiate a similar newsletter for Salterforth residents.

The newsletter looked to have been published professionally and contained a

considerable amount of advertising.

RESOLVED

The newsletter proposal would be put on the next agenda for further consideration.

b. Jane Snell spoke regarding the first meeting for the newly established Neighbourhood Watch Scheme for Salterforth. The meeting was well attended by local residents and a local police officer.

Jane discussed that the residents asked for regular Neighbourhood Watch Meetings however, there would be costs associated with this and at present no funds were available, however they were looking at ways of fundraising.

Jane was advised to open a bank account on behalf of the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme. Barclays was recommended as an option, and it was suggested that they could approach Mike Gaulthorpe, Rosemary Carroll and Earby Area Committee for donations. The Cllrs all agreed that it was a good cause. Cllr Latham proposed that £100 be donated to the Neighbourhood Watch, this was seconded by Cllr Fitton.

RESOLVED

Jane to come back to the Council Meeting once an account had been opened on behalf of the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme, at which time £100 would be donated on behalf of the Parish Council. It was further asked by the Chairman Christine Pollard, that matters arising from the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme be brought back to the attention of the Parish Council. This could be done by letter.

5. Minutes

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the meeting on 27th March 2019 be accepted as a true representation

6. Planning Applications

Delegated List - seen by all via e.mail

Town and Country Planning Act 1990

APPLICATION: 19/0196/FUL

PROPOSAL: Full: Conversion of Barn to Dwelling House (Use Class C3) and

erection of detached garage with office at first floor

AT: Sykes lithe Earby Road Salterforth

FOR: Mr Derek Saunders

RESOLVED

The Parish Council has no objections

7. Police Business

It was noted that the police attended the recent Neighbourhood Watch Meeting.

8. Update of on-going issues from Previous minutes

- (a) The payment of £297.84 for repairs to the play area owed to Cllr Fitton has been paid
- (b) Update regarding <u>Lengthsman</u> position. This was discussed with regards to using own or council equipment and the storage of equipment if it is council owned, risk assessments and maintenance if employee uses his own equipment.
- (c) <u>Sand for the park</u>. A quote of £104 per tonne had been received by Cllr Singleton by Dugdales, as they deal with 20 tonne delivery loads it has worked out expensive. Another quote to be obtained by Cllr Latham from Wolfendens.
- (d) <u>Traffic Management Course</u> Cllr Singleton advised that the lady dealing with the course was on annual leave and will get back with a quote following her return. In the meantime Cllr Singletons name had been added to the course list.
- (e) Update regarding <u>speeding issues.</u> This had been discussed at area committee and they are going to address it.

9. Update of ongoing issues from other meetings attended

- (a) Speed issues discussed at Area Committee and they are going to address it
- (b) No update yet with regard to the toucan crossing it was noted that it has taken 18 weeks up to present.
- (c) The application **19/0069/FUL** by Mr and Mrs Hudson for change of use of agricultural land to a caravan park and siting of 36 holiday lodge caravans and 20 touring caravan pitches was turned down Area Committee and now going to the Council Meeting in Nelson.
- (d) Concerns were raised by the Chairman Cllr Pollard with the Planning Department approving developments. Some of the reasons recommended for approval by the planning department are contradicting the Planning Inspectors reasons for refusal. In particular the reasons for refusal by the Inspector being, ribbon development, traffic concerns, trees, amenities not up to it, and these concerns were not deemed to be valid by Neil Watson in the Planning Department. It was **resolved** by the Chairman Christine Pollard to obtain up to date information and look into it further.
- (e) Chairman Cllr Pollard and Cllr Latham had been to see Stephen Schollick at home regarding his stepping down due to his deteriorating health from his position as Clerk to Salterforth Parish Council. It was agreed that Stephen will -
 - 1. Advertise for both a Parish Clerk and a Lengthsman position.(see below)
 - 2. Attend to the year end accounts

- 3. Forward information regarding access/maintenance of website
- 4. Finalise the handing over of the car park (June 18 minutes agreed to the hand over). Steve currently has the deeds and these will go to the Solicitors. Our legal representatives are Walker and Foster. It was noted that the car park was in a better position to be handed over now that some of the issues had been addressed i.e. ginny well has been renovated, grates had been replaced.

RESOLVED

The Lengthsman position is to be self-employed. The Lengthsman and the Parish Clerk Positions are to be advertised on the website, notice boards, Barnoldswick and Earby Newspaper and social media.

10. Finance

Payment for the playground for around £1700 was previously agreed

RESOLVED

Invoice for playground surface will be given to Cllr Latham for payment.

The current balance in bank statement is £13277.86, however there are still monies to be deducted from this amount - £500, £297, £1700.

Approved for payment

cheque no.	Payee	Details	Amount £	VAT
	S P Schollick	salary x 1	96.00	nil
	HMRC	PAYE	24.00	nil

RESOLVED

That payments be made as detailed above

11. Correspondence

None

12. Any other business

The Village Hall Committee had been given the cheque for £500 towards the kitchen renovations and they were hoping to re-open the last week in April. They hope to have a bar put back in the village hall. Their next meeting was scheduled for the end of April.

The use of Garden Doctors for grass cutting in the village was discussed. One or two residents in the village were not happy regarding the disposal of grass cuttings at areas around the village and they were under the assumption it could have been left by the Garden Doctors.

RESOLVED

It was agreed to continue with the Garden Doctors for 2019 and Cllr Singleton would speak to them regarding the disposal of grass cuttings and a suitable area for the grass to be disposed.

12. Items for next agenda

- (a) Newsletter
- (b) Update re payment for approx £1700 for playground
- (c) Update re Lengthsman/Clerk positions
- (d) Update re Sand for the park
- (e) Update re Traffic Management Course
- (f) Update re Garden Doctors

Date of next meeting

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday 24th April at 7:30

The minutes for the meeting were taken by Carole Singleton in the absence of the Salterforth Parish Clerk Stephen Schollick

The meeting closed at 20:59

Chair Christine Pollard