Salterforth Parish Council

Minutes of an Annual Meeting of Salterforth Parish Council Meeting then meeting then ordinary meeting of Salterforth Parish Council held at Salterforth Village Hall, Salterforth at 7:30 on Wednesday 24th April 2019

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<u>Welcome</u>

The Chairman, Clllr. Pollard welcomes all to the Annual Parish Meeting.

Annual Parish Meeting

The Annual Parish Meeting is a meeting of the electorate, not a meeting of the Council.

It is an opportunity for the residents to meet with the Council and to hear about the achievements of Salterforth Parish Council in the past year and its plans for the future.

There is plenty of opportunity for residents to ask questions during the meeting.

The Chairman gave the following message - We started off with welcoming Kevin Singleton on to the council. Yet more planning issues with Seddon Homes and the field at Klondike. Over the summer we have had site meetings with ward councillors regarding the car park and planning, also Neil Watson came out to discuss the car park.

Ginny well has been sorted and looks amazing.

The car park, as with the toucan saga, is still ongoing. Communication with highways has been at an all time low this year, which is embarrassing for us as councillors as people think we are not addressing matters, although it seems to be the same at the WCAC with the ward councillors too.

The village looked lovely last year with the baskets and troughs and Salterforth in Bloom was formed. We received some funding for the toughs and they were planted up for Spring too.

The toilet group have worked hard with funding and keeping them running which hasn't been easy at times. The Fun Day was the best yet. The village hall have a new kitchen and we now have a Neighbourhood Watch Group. We are lucky to have these volunteers in the village.

We had 3 major appeals that went to the government inspectorate. One was approved and two were dismissed. The village and councillors worked hard for the results. Turnout has been great this year and I would like to thank you all.

It has been a hard year with Steve being ill and I would like to thank you for stepping in and doing the minutes and dealing with things we don't normally deal with. Thanks to Carole for doing the minutes and helping us. Im sure we all hope Steves health improves and he will be missed by everyone on the council when he is no longer the clerk. Hopefully this year we can acquire the car park and have a working toucan crossing. Work is required on the playing fields and a general tidy up.

Cllr Pollard closes the Annual Meeting

Salterforth Parish Council Ordinary Meeting

1. Welcome

2. Attendance, Apologies and Non Attendance

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

Attending CIIrs : Christine Pollard (Chairman), Andy Fitton, Howard Bradley, Val Langtree, Kevin Singleton

Apologies received : Cllrs Joyce Wilson, Amy Latham

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. Update re: newsletter for Salterforth residents. It was felt that we could generate advertising to pay for the newsletter but we would need to know costs involved.

RESOLVED

Signed

Mrs Mary Town is going to get a price from her contact at Foulridge.

b. Jane Snell provided an update from Salterforth Neighbourhood Watch. She is still looking into opening a bank account. The dog poo signs appeared to be successful. The police had been informed about kids chasing lambs and were increasing their presence around the village. There is now a contact at the upper caravan site. The single is imminent for the lamp posts for the main road and around the village and the council will put them up for free.

5. Minutes

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the meeting on 24th April 2019 be accepted as a true representation

6. Planning Applications

Proposal:Erection of a building for storage of maintenance equipment (Retrospective)Applicant:Mr & Mrs N HudsonLocation:Land to the North East of Bashfield Farm, Kelbrook Road, Salterforth,Lancashire19/0199/FULDate registered:3.4.2019

RESOLVED

Retrospective application noted

7. Police Business

The police have increased their presence around the village.

This was confined by Cllr Singleton who had seen increased presence around the Seddon site.

8. Update of on-going issues from Previous minutes

- (a) <u>Update regarding Lengthsman</u> position. It was agreed to put the advertisement out on social media as a self employed position. Until end of year accounts and outstanding matters have been resolved, the vacant Clerks position is not going to be filled in the immediate future and Carole will be acting clerk in the interim.
- (b) <u>Sand for the park this will wait until after Barlick beach</u>, in the meantime Cllr Fitton will ask David Whipp where he gets his sand from.
- (c) <u>Traffic Management Course</u> Cllr Singleton will be attending the course on Thursday 20th June. The course cost is £145. This was approved.

- (d) Attend to end of year accounts still with Steve. Before the next meeting find out what is being paid and what is outstanding
- (e) Information re access/maintenance of website to be obtained from Steve by Cllr Pollard
- (f) Garden Doctors check with Steve if Garden Doctors have been paid. Cllr Singleton met with Garden Doctors to discuss the disposal of grass and where they were dumping it round the sides.

9. Update of ongoing issues from other meetings attended

<u>None</u>

10. Finance

Payment for resurfacing the playground for around £1700 was previously agreed had still not been paid.

RESOLVED

To follow this up

Cllr Latham was going to get the cheque book back from Stephen. She would be added to the Parish Council account as a signatory.

Approved for payment

cheque no.	Payee	Details	Amount £	VAT
370	Pendle Borough Council	Traffic Management Course - Cll Singleton	145.00	29.00

RESOLVED

That payments be made as detailed above

11. Correspondence

Questions had been raised by residents regarding the razor guard which surrounds the Anchor garden but belonging to neighbours, this has been passed to Pendle Borough Council Planning Department for their attention. To be put on agenda at the next meeting if necessary.

A long term resident had e.mailed regarding the Seddon car park. Now that the new houses were occupied, the pressure had increased on the car park causing some residents difficulties parking their vehicles. It had been noted for some time that some of the vehicles appeared to be abandoned and unroadworthy, in particular a blue volvo that had not moved in years. Cllr Fitton advised that they contact Seddon as Salterforth Parish Council do not own the site yet. Cllr Singleton to send a picture of the offending vehicle(s) to Cllr Fitton.

12. Any other business

a. A complaint had been received from a Salterforth resident. Due to the nature of the complaint it had been passed to Legal Services at Pendle Borough Council for their attention and response.

RESOLVED

The councillors agreed this was the appropriate response

b. The Garden Doctors rang Cllr Singleton that they had been threatened by violence by a resident whilst cutting grass. Cllr Singleton advised Garden Doctors to walk away and remove themselves from the threat of violence. The Cllr were unanimous that this was inappropriate behaviour from a Salterforth resident.

RESOLVED

The Garden Doctors will be advised to contact Cllr Fitton when they are on site to cut the grass.

c. There had been complaints regarding the quality of the grass cutting around the playing field.

RESOLVED

Cllr Fitton to speak to the complainants and find out the problem(s).

12. Items for next agenda

- (a) Update re Lengthsman/Clerk positions
- (b) Update re Sand for the park
- (c) Update re Garden Doctors
- (d) Update re end of year accounts
- (e) Update re access to website

Date of next meeting

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday 29th May 2019 at 7:30

The meeting closed at 20:45