

Lathom Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held on
Monday 27 November 2023
at the Scout HQ, Hall Lane Lathom at 7.30pm

Present: Parish Councillors: A Beckett (Chairman)
 H Shaw
 I Fairclough
 M McDonnell
 L McDonnell
 D Abram (Clerk)

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MINUTES of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 27 November 2023 *at* The Scout Headquarters, Hall Lane, Lathom commencing at 7.30 p.m.

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PRESENT: Councillors Andrew Beckett (Chair), Helen Shaw, Ian Fairclough, Liz McDonnell, Martin McDonnell and Clerk Diane Abram. No members of the public attended.

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TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors E Pope, M Gorst and A Sherman.

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COUNCILLORS TO DECLARE AN INTEREST IN ISSUES FOR DISCUSSION

Councillor H Shaw declared an interest in 2023/0973/FUL - 3 Pear Tree Mews item.

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TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 25 SEPTEMBER 2023 and 23 OCTOBER 2023.

It was resolved that the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 25 September 2023 and 23 October 2023 should be approved and signed by the Chair.

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ISSUES RAISED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

The meeting was not adjourned for public discussion as no members of the public were present.

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PLANNING

Applications to be considered:

- a. 2023/0942/FUL - Land West Of Valmar 4, Hollowford Lane, Lathom, Lancashire - Variation of condition 2 of planning permission 2022/0006/FUL relating to approved plans – no comment.
- b. 2023/0947/FUL - Land to the North of Spa Barn, Spa Lane, Lathom, Ormskirk, Lancashire - Hard surfacing within part of an existing agricultural storage area – no comment.
- c. 2023/0973/FUL - 3 Pear Tree Mews, Lathom, Ormskirk, Lancashire, L40 5WD - Erection of Oak Framed Garden Room to the rear – no comment.
- d. 2023/1020/LDC - Round Thorn Barn Lowry Hill Lane Lathom Ormskirk Lancashire L40 5UL - Certificate of Lawfulness of Existing Development -domestic storage – no comment.

It was agreed that all Councillors would submit any concerns they may have after the meeting by email to the Clerk to Lathom Parish Council.

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SPID location

Discussion took place between the Councillors with regard to the current locations of the SPID devices. It was agreed at present that the current locations be maintained. The suggestion of relocating any SPID devices or adding to them to be left to a future meeting for discussion after receiving data from the current SPID locations.

23.81

REMEMBRANCE DAY

The Chair confirmed wreaths were placed at the memorials at RNAS Burscough Memorial, Lathom & Burscough War Memorial and Lathom War Memorial followed by a service at Lathom Park Chapel.

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PROW (x2 payments of £500)

Discussion took place with regard to the use of the PROW funding received and Councillor Sherman taking the lead for this item. Councillor Beckett thanked Councillor Fairclough for maintaining the Wood Lane to Meadow Lane grass

area. It was agreed that future funding be agreed in next years Budget line to enable the continuation of the maintenance and repair work required. Dates for maintenance work in 2024 to be agreed in the new year.

23.83

BIODIVERSITY GRANT 2023/2024 (£300)

Discussion took place and it was agreed that Councillor Sherman would speak to Lathom Junior School and Councillor McDonnell to speak to the Leader of the Lathom Scout Group with a view to splitting the Biodiversity Grant between the two groups. Feedback to be provided back to the next available meeting.

23.84

REPAIRS AND RENEWALS REQUIRED TO LATHOM SIGN AT WANES BLADE BRIDGE FOLLOWING A ROAD COLLISION

Discussion took place and it was agreed that the Clerk would take photographs of the damaged Historic Lathom sign and contact our insurers with a view to putting a claim in for repair of the same.

23.85

PARISH MAP UPDATE

Councillor Beckett advised that the company who had produced the new Parish Map had created the same to the wrong specification. Councillor Beckett to contact the company again with a view to providing one to the correct specifications and arrange for the installation of the same by I Waite.

23.86

WEBSITE

The Clerk confirmed that the contact details for the Clerk had been updated. Future website updates to include Councillor details, adding previous Minutes, adding a new section relating to Agendas and to add information to the News Page to add further information of interest to residents.

23.87

HANDOVER FROM PREVIOUS CLERK

The Clerk confirmed the present position and her progress in the role at present and thanked the Councillors for their support and assistance.

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WLBC REPORTS

No comments received regarding this item.

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PARISH MATTERS

- a. The Clerk advised that the Noticeboard at The Ship had incurred water damage and would need repair and that the locking mechanism may also be faulty. Councillor Beckett advised that he would contact I Waite to take a look at the same.
- b. The Councillors confirmed that the Concurrent Funding received had been spent.

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FINANCE

The following account was passed for payment:

Ormskirk Scouts (hall hire)	£24.00
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COUNCILLORS TO RAISE ISSUES FOR DISCUSSION ONLY (10 MINUTES TOTAL TIME).

No items suggested.

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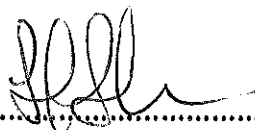
DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Monday 18 December at 7.30 p.m.

SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT – 27 November 2023

Chq No	Payee	Amount
002016	Ormskirk District Scouts	£24.00

The meeting closed at 9.10pm

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