

24.119

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 22 JULY 2024 AT THE SCOUT HEADQUARTERS, HALL LANE, LATHOM COMMENCING AT 7.30 P.M.**

24.120

**PRESENT:** Councillors A Beckett (Chair), E Pope, I Fairclough, L McDonnell, M McDonnell and Parish Clerk D Abram.

24.121

**TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Councillors H Shaw and A Sherman.

24.122

**COUNCILLORS TO DECLARE AN INTEREST IN ISSUES FOR DISCUSSION**

Councillors Pope and Fairclough declared an interest in the planning item.

24.123

**TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS HELD ON 20 MAY 2024, 24 JUNE 2024 AND 8 JULY 2024**

It was resolved that the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 20 May 2024 should be approved and signed by Councillor Pope, the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 24 June 2024 should be approved and signed by Councillor McDonnell and that the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 8 July 2024 should be approved and signed by Councillor Beckett.

24.124

**ISSUES RAISED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

A resident attended and raised several areas of concern with regard to the following areas:-

- (a) Overgrown vegetation at the junctions of Hoscar Moss Lane, Meadow Lane and Carr Lane.
- (b) The signs to Meadow Lane and Bleak Lane are damaged and require replacing.
- (d) The seat in Meadow Lane is currently inaccessible due to overgrown vegetation.
- (e) No road markings and damage to corner of Meadow Lane and Bleak Lane.
- (f) Overgrown vegetation on Briars Lane near to the Listed Building and Lathom sign.

The Councillors advised that all work that requires reporting to the Council will be actioned. The Resident advised that Item (f) is Lathom Parish Council's responsibility to maintain.

The resident also brought up an item previously discussed in the June 2024 meeting concerning 38 Daisy Lane and D Abram advised that a comment from Lathom Parish Council had been submitted to the Planning Department at West Lancashire Borough Council.

Councillor Paul Hesketh also attended and introduced himself at the OWL representative.

24.125

### **PLANNING**

#### **Applications considered:**

- a. 2024/0515/FUL – 33 Daisy Lane, Lathom, Ormskirk, Lancashire, L40 4BS – Demolish existing garage and construct a rear and single storey extension – no comment to be submitted.

24.126

### **REPAIR WORK – PARISH MAP**

Councillor Beckett advised that the completion of this item is expected within the next couple of weeks.

24.127

### **BLOCKED GULLIES (LOWRY HILL LANE/HALL LANE)**

D Abram advised that there is currently no update with regard to the timescale for repairing the same. Councillor Hesketh advised that he would try to make contact with Lancashire County Council and provide an update to the same.

24.128

### **CIL MONIES**

D Abram updated the Councillors in terms of the width of the gate and the Councillors agreed the purchased of the Lowther seat from Glasdon. D Abram to contact I Waite with regard to providing a quotation with regard to the work agreed at recent meetings.

D Abram advised that further investigation is required regarding the items below:-

- D Abram to establish ownership of land i.e. is the public land owned by West Lancashire Borough Council, if there is a name allocated to the land, is there a Lease in place to be able to use the land and to ensure that West Lancashire Borough Council continue the maintenance of the land as we have discussed and discuss naming/re-naming the land if permitted and report back to the next Parish Council Meeting.
- Councillors to contact nearby residents to advise them of the proposed installation.
- Complete Orchard Grant Application after all above items are resolved.

24.129

**ONLINE BANKING UPDATE**

D Abram advised that this would be actioned and an update will be provided at the September meeting.

24.130

**FENCING AT PROPERTY IN BRIARS LANE**

Councillor Pope advised that there is no update regarding the repair.

24.131

**COUNCILLOR VACANCY**

D Abram advised that this would be actioned and an update will be provided at the September meeting.

24.132

**SPID CAMERA DATA**

D Abram to provide Councillor M McDonnell with details of the equipment we have so that contact can be made with the company and data can be analysed.

24.133

**CIVIC SERVICE**

It was agreed that the Civic Service will be moved to Spring 2025. Councillor Pope to contact Lathom Park Chapel with regard to arranging a date for the same.

24.134

**REMEMBRANCE DAY**

Councillor Pope to contact Lathom Park Chapel with regard to arranging the same for Sunday 10 November 2024.

24.135

**RESERVES CALCULATION**

D Abram provided a copy of the same for the Councillors to review.

24.136

**PROW**

Councillor Beckett will make contact with Councillor Sherman to obtain an update with regard to the areas that require maintenance and whether contact has been made with the contractors. Councillor Beckett thanked Councillor Fairclough and family for maintaining the areas normally looked after.

It was agreed that Councillor Beckett will contact G Snape to complete additional strimming work required in the parish.

24.137

**PARISH CLERK APPRAISAL AND HOURS**

Councillor Beckett advised that following the Parish Clerk 6 month appraisal, D Abram has accepted the permanent position of Parish Clerk. Councillor Beckett signed a letter confirming the same and advising that D Abram can now proceed to setting up a pension.

24.138

**OPSTA DONATION**

The Parish Council approved the donation to OPSTA and confirmed that a £10 donation can be added to the payment schedule.

24.139

**PARISH MATTERS**Parish Plan

Councillor Pope suggested that the Parish Council could look at updating the Parish Plan (last completed in 2010). This will enable the residents of Lathom to give their views on the future of Lathom and enable the Parish Council to set short, medium and long term goals for items to action. This item to carry forward to the next Parish Council Meeting.

D Abram to scan and send to Councillors the last Local Plan carried out in 2010 for their information.

Councillor Pope raised items that have previously been mentioned:-

- Regarding a footpath from Moss Bridge Lane via Course Lane to Tawd Vale Adventure Centre.
- Regular Newsletters.
- Utilise website more.
- Speeding on the parish roads.
- Flower boxes at Hoscar Moss railway station.

Key thing is to obtain up to date ideas from residents of the parish.

### Flyer

Councillor Pope suggested he draft and send out a flyer to the residents with regard to ideas of what our residents would like us to address in relation to the Parish Plan.

24.140

### **FINANCE**

The following accounts were passed for payment:-

<b>Ormskirk District Scout – Hall Hire</b>	<b>002049</b>	<b>£ 24.00</b>
<b>Diane Abram salary</b>	<b>002050</b>	<b>£219.80</b>
- July 2024 Noticeboards (8 miles @ 0.45p per mile) x 2		£ 7.20
- July 2024 Monthly Meeting (6 miles @ 0.45p per mile)		£ 2.70
- July 2024 Mileage to Ring O’Bells Lane (3 miles @ 0.45p per mile)		£ 1.35
<b>Printer repair and toners</b>		<b>£ 49.00</b>
<b>Stationery and postage</b>		<b><u>£ 15.85</u></b>
		<b>£295.90</b>
<b>Yates Playground</b>	<b>002051</b>	<b>£ 86.40</b>
<b>OPSTA Renewal</b>	<b>002052</b>	<b>£ 10.00</b>
<b>Gary Snape Invoices (Waymarker Installation &amp; Strimming Wood Lane) paid to Councillor A Beckett</b>	<b>002053</b>	<b>£189.99</b>

24.142

### **Councillors to raise issues for discussion**

#### Speeding on roads

Councillors raised concern regarding the current speeds on a number of roads in the parish in particular Briars Lane, Carr Lane and Meadow Lane. This item to be added to the Agenda for the next Parish Council Meeting.

Ring O Bells Public House

Concern was raised with regard to new entrance and additional parking. This is to be discussed at the next Parish Council Meeting.

24.141

**DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Monday 23 September 2024 at 7.30 p.m.

**SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT – 22 July 2024**

<b>Chq No</b>	<b>Payee</b>	<b>Amount</b>
002049	Ormskirk District Scouts	£24.00
002050	Diane Abram	£295.90
002051	Yates Playground	£86.40
002052	OPSTA	£10.00
002053	Gary Snape Invoices (paid to Councillor A Beckett)	£189.99

The meeting closed at 9.30 p.m.

Signed.....

