

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MYERSCOUGH AND BILSBORROW PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN BILSBORROW ST HILDA'S COMMUNITY ROOM ON THURSDAY 19 JULY 2018

PRESENT

Cllr Mrs Olivine (Chairman), Cllr Mrs Allan, Cllr Barker, Cllr Collinson, Cllr Pye, Cllr Robinson & Cllr Sutcliffe

APOLOGIES

CC Turner

CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Roy Bassnett

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Prior to the commencement of formal business Carol Rowley, a resident of Bilsborrow, drew the Council's attention to the use of the recently upgraded towpath between Brock and Bilsborrow for the purpose of the towing of pleasure boats by heavy horses. This was causing there to be damage to the surface of the towpath and danger to pedestrians.

RESOLVED

To protest to Canal & River Trust for having permitted such use

ACTION

Clerk

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33.18 MINUTES

The minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting 2018 were approved and signed.

34.18 FINANCE

Accounts for payment

The following payments were sanctioned:

Cloughton-on-Brock Parish Council £1350-00 Parish Lengthsman Scheme July to September 2018

Myerscough College £5-40 photocopying

PCC of Bilsborrow St Hilda £20-00 hire of meeting room

Reconciled balances at bank as at 30 June 2018

Current account £1670-56 CR

War Memorial account £2426-04 CR

NS&I Investment account £17483-18 CR

Annual Internal Audit Reports 2017/18

RESOLVED

To receive the Annual Internal Audit Reports, with grateful thanks to Mr Cliff Sharp, Honorary Internal Auditor

35.18 PLANNING

Alleged breach of planning control – excavation of a very large hole in Vicarage Field, Bilsborrow

CC Turner had informed the Clerk that a Wyre Council Enforcement Officer would be enquiring as to the alleged breach.

Planning application consultations

The Clerk invariably notifies all the members by e-mail of planning application consultations advised to him by the Planning Authority.

AGREED

That if a member did not respond to the Clerk it was to be assumed that s/he had no objection to the application

Barn on the north side of Raby's Farm, Bilsborrow

Alterations to the building to facilitate change of use to office use

AGREED

To inform the Planning Authority that the Council had no objection to the application

ACTION

Clerk

The Hollies 739 Garstang Road Barton

Outline application for the erection of one detached dwelling

AGREED

To inform the Planning Authority that the Council had no objection to the application

ACTION

Clerk

36.18 POLICE

Policing changes in Over Wyre

It had been reported in the press that Neighbourhood Policing was to be withdrawn from Garstang. The matter was on the agenda for discussion at the forthcoming meeting of the Wyre Area Committee of Lancashire Association of Local Councils. Cllr Barker would be attending the meeting on behalf of the Parish Council.

ACTION

Cllr Barker

37.18 HIGHWAYS, FOOTPATHS, BRIDLEWAYS, WATERWAYS

The planting of flowers on the roadside verge in Brock

Students of Myerscough College had re-modelled the planting area opposite the former Police House using plants kindly donated by Barton Grange Garden Centre and stone kindly donated by South Planks Stone. Rockform was kindly attending to the watering of the plants.

The pooling of water in Bilsborrow Village at the A6 crossing point to Bilsborrow School

The Highway Authority had cleaned and jetted the drains and had said that there appeared to be a blocked culvert underneath the road. The Authority had raised an order for further exploratory and excavation works.

Brock Side weir

Anti-social behaviour on the part of some of the large numbers of people who trespass at the weir had been spoken of at a previous meeting. There had been further anti-social behaviour and a serious incident which had necessitated the transportation of an injured youth to hospital by air ambulance. The Environment Agency was in touch with the landowner but had declined to meet the Chairman to discuss the matter.

AGREED

To call a meeting with the landowner and representatives of Myerscough College, possibly to include an ecologist

ACTION

Clerk

38.18 PROPOSED MULTI USE GAMES AREA AT BILSBORROW SCHOOL

It was understood that further discussions had taken place and that the games area would be situated on the playing field not on the playground.

39.18 FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

LALC Wyre Area Committee: Wednesday 25 July, Wyrebank, Garstang

September Council Meeting: Thursday 27 September, Myerscough College

LALC Annual General Meeting 2018: Saturday 17 November, Howick House, Penwortham

November Council Meeting: Thursday 22 November, St Hilda's Community Room, Bilsborrow

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CHAIRMAN

Distribution:

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Cllr Peter Murphy, Brock with Catterall Ward

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