

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SLYNE WITH HEST PARISH COUNCIL  
held on MONDAY 11 APRIL 2022 in the MEMORIAL HALL**

Councillors present     Mr Roland Stretch -Chairman, Miss June Cohen-Kingsley, Mrs Joanne Bateman  
   Mr Alan Connor

Also present                Mr A Obertelli and Mrs S Faithfull

Clerk     Mrs Doreen Brookes

3122 **To receive apologies for absence**     Cllr Stephen Jones sent an explanation of his further absence

Mr Obertelli expressed an interest in joining the Parish Council. This would be as a c-opted member.

**Open Forum**

Apologies were received from City Cllr M Thomas.

No issues were raised.

3123 **To record Declarations of Interest**

none

3124 **Minutes of the previous meeting**

Resolution: to approve the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 21 March 2022

They were duly signed by the Chairman

3125 **Progress Reports**

- Replacement of the tree on Manor Road which was felled in the recent storm; its ownership is still being investigated by Lancaster City Council
- Sign on the foreshore which has been knocked down; it is suggested that this relates to the highway across the Bay and is therefore the responsibility of Lancashire County Council A further report with photos has been sent to County Council and a response is still awaited.
- Damage to the dog waste bin on recreation field was reported to Lancaster City Council as it is believed to be theirs but as yet no response has been received. Further unsocial behaviour on the recreation field has been reported to Police.
- Damage to canal bridge on Hatlex Lane has been reported to the Canal & River Trust and an inspection has been promised
- On-line banking -some enquiries have been made but it may need further thought.
- Concern has been raised by a local resident about flooding on Hanging Green Lane near to the Memorial Hall and the state of the grass verges making them potentially unsafe. This has been reported to Lancashire County Council Highways.

3126 **Administration**

Neighbourhood Plan -the recent public consultation went well with sixteen responses received. The next step will be for Lancaster City Council to engage an examiner to check that the Plan is fully compliant with all regulations.

Website - decision taken to look at an alternative to Tech-Hub for setting up a new site as there still seem to be some difficulties not yet resolved particularly with reference to the sharing of links with the present site. Cllr Bateman offered to work on a new site and this was given full approval.

Jubilee events; a further meeting has been held and progress has been made in organising events for the Jubilee weekend.

For the afternoon events it was decided to engage a local singing duo at a cost of £250. Other entertainment, games, etc. is being investigated and an ice cream van has been ordered. Local businesses are to be approached for the donation of raffle prizes. Widespread publicity is now needed for the events. More volunteers are needed and a number of people and groups are to be approached for support.

Matters arising from the Annual Parish Assembly held on Monday 11 April 2022 -None

3127 **Planning Applications**

Applications received

22/00398/FUL Ashton House Farm, Main Road, Slyne, LA2 6AZ  
 21/01412/FUL Grange Court, Hasty Brow Road, Slyne, LA2 6AG  
 22/00278/FUL 7 Hatlex Drive, Hest Bank, LA2 6HA  
 22/00437/FUL 2 Aysgarth Drive Slyne, Lancaster LA1 2ET

Applications permitted

22/00098/CU Standerlands Farm, Lancaster Road, Slyne, LA2 6AL

Application refused

21/01079/FUL 25 Hest Bank Lane, Hest Bank, LA2 6HX

Application withdrawn

22/00027/FUL 16 Manor Crescent, Slyne, LA2 6BA

3128 **Financial Matters**

Approval was given to the end of year summary of receipts and payments.

The application to Lancaster City Council for a precept of £65,000 for the financial year 2022/23 has been approved.

Quotation of £966.00 + VAT received from Simon Dean Ltd., Electrical Contractor working with Duncan Ross Ltd for time lag switches for the floodlighting on the Multi Use Games Area.

Approval was given for the acceptance of this quotation.

3129 **Open Spaces**

Recreation Field; an application has been made to Lancaster City Council for the discharge of condition on the application 21/00408/FUL for the MUGA. A decision is awaited

A TPO application was submitted for work on the trees at the southern end of the recreation field. Advice has been received from the Lancaster City Council Tree Officer who has made an inspection.

It has been suggested that it would be more economical to have the three trees suffering from ash dieback felled rather than to have to give repeated attention to them over a period of time. This advice was accepted. The original application will need to be withdrawn and a replacement submitted. In the meantime arrangements will be made to have a branch which is overhanging the path removed for safety.

The fallen oak tree has been successfully removed and the path has been closed off temporarily for safety.

Consideration will need to be given to the repair of the path when all the work on the trees has been completed.

Further consideration of the work needed on the planters; enquiries had been made with outside contractors to do some work on these but without success. Also enquiries had been made about suitable plants, possibly perennials. It was decided to ask Mr Brade, the groundsman if he would carry out the work with advice and assistance by Cllr Cohen Kingsley if required. The budget for the purchase of plants was set at a maximum of £500.

Erection of fence along the path by the pond on the recreation field- a meeting with a joiner had been delayed and had to be rearranged so a quotation for the work had not yet been received. Left in abeyance

3130 **Burial Ground**

The six month notice stating the responsibility for the safety of memorials has now ended. –no responses were received. The next steps to identify and deal with unsafe memorials need to be considered. There is a policy adopted in 2006 outlining the safety protocol. Safety inspections of the memorials are carried out every two years. Enquiries are to be made about work required on some of the memorials posing safety threats.

3131 **Foreshore**

After further consideration no action is to be taken at present to make improvements to the foreshore gravelled areas.

3132 **Payment of Accounts**

Approval of the payments due as listed: -agreed

DD	EonNext	34.43	electricity bill-burial ground
Chq	Envirocare Maintenance Solutions	816.00	grounds maintenance- March
	Westmorland Tree Services	1590.00	felling of oak tree
	Mrs D Brookes	877.70	clerk's salary & expenses
	Petty cash	36.54	sundry items
	HMRC	316.55	PAYE & NIC
	Mr S Brade	242.53	groundsman's pay
	Lancaster City Council	158.02	waste collection –burial ground

3133 **Matters raised by members for future consideration**

None

3134 **Date of next meeting**

Monday 16 May 2022 at 7.00pm

The meeting was declared closed at 8.55pm