

Farington Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting Monday 5th September 2022 at 7pm at Bashall Grove Community Centre, PR25 4JU.

Present: - Councillor Michael Green (Chairman); Councillor Shaun Bradbury;
Councillor Tony Green; Councillor Mike Otter; Councillor Karen Walton (Vice-
chairman)

In attendance: - Lisa Burton - Clerk to the Parish Council
PCSO Teresa Smith
7 members of the public

The meeting opened at 7pm

62. (22/23)

Apologies for Absence/Chairman's Health and Safety Announcements

Councillor Michael Green welcomed everyone to the meeting and advised the Health & Safety announcements to the meeting.

Apologies have been received from Councillor Chris Wharton-Hardman and Councillor Paul Wharton-Hardman

Resolved

63. (22/23)

Declarations of Interest

Members are requested to indicate at this stage in the proceedings any items on the agenda in which they intend to declare an interest. Members are reminded that if the interest is a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (as defined in the Members' Code of Conduct) they must leave the room for the whole of that item. If the interest is not a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, but is such that a member of the public could reasonably regard it as being so significant that it is likely that it would prejudice their judgment of the public interest (as explained in the Code of Conduct) then they may make representations, but then must leave the meeting for the remainder of the item.

Resolved

64. (22/23)

Minutes of the Last Meeting

The minutes from the meeting held on 4th July and 21st July 2022 to be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

Councillor Karen Walton requested that it be noted that on minute ref 47. (22/23) the Anglers Club have a license for fishing, but in fact SRBC own the land.

Councillor Karen Walton requested an update on minute ref 49. (22/23) regarding the installation of no dog fouling signs. The Clerk advised that this has yet to be completed. Councillor Mike Otter advised that 2 x No Dog Fouling signs are required for the side gates of the field. He also requested an update on the installation of the toilets at the BTR Field. The Clerk advised that this is still in the planning stages.

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Councillor Karen Walton Proposed that the minutes from 4th July 2022 be approved.
Councillor Mike Otter seconded.

Resolved

Councillor Mike Otter asked about the grant funding for ASB from the PCC. The Clerk advised that the form has been received from the PCC but an application has not yet been submitted. Councillor Shaun Bradbury advised that it would not be possible to apply for funding from the LFA as the area at the Play Area is not a designated football pitch.

Councillor Tony Green proposed that the minutes from the meeting on 21st July be approved. Councillor Karen Walton seconded.

Resolved

65. (22/23)

Neighbourhood Policing Team Update

The Neighbourhood Policing Team and Deputy Police & Crime Commissioner have been invited to attend the Parish Council meeting or to provide a report on issues in the local area.

PCSO Rita Smith attended the meeting to represent to Neighbourhood Policing Team.

She advised that the main issue to report was some ASB in Leyland. It was also noted that PC Walker had ticketed a vehicle blocking the roadway on Old School Lane.

A member of the public wished to raise the issue of noise from (modified) vehicles on Flensburg Way. PCSO Smith advised that this is very difficult to police unless it is a regular issue and the vehicle can be identified.

The member of public advised that this occurs all the time day and night. It used to be illegal, has this now changed?

PCSO Smith advised that it is still illegal but difficult to police.

A member of the public stated that there seems to be a scent of cannabis pretty much everywhere these days.

PCSO Smith advised that this is unfortunately the case, however the police are looking to target growers rather than users. She suggested that any incidents should be reported to Crimestoppers.

Referring back to the noise issue a member of the public asked if the police could pressure MOT garages to not pass illegally modified vehicles. A further member of public stated that if vehicles has been modified then they may not have insurance. PCSO Smith advised that this is correct, but it is still difficult to police.

A member of public advised that the carpark at Farington Lodges has lots of gas canisters and they recently came across 2 x bags of cannabis. They asked if the carpark is patrolled. PCSO advised that only flagged hotspots are patrolled.

Councillor Karen Walton advised that the area is flagged and is regularly patrolled.

Councillor Shaun Bradbury advised that the reinstatement of the rapid response team in Leyland was very noticeable. There is a much more visible presence of both

police and police vehicles.

PCSO Smith advised that the area was much busier. Councillor Shaun Bradbury advised that some issues have disappeared with the reintroduction of the team.

PCSO Smith advised that she would pass on the comments and compliments.

Resolved

PCSO Smith left the meeting at 7.21pm

66. (22/23)

Adjournment for Public Participation

Representatives from South Ribble Borough Council and other organisations may speak under this item as well as members of the public and local residents.

Miller Homes development – Croston Road. A member of the public outlined the main issues with the estate, following Miller Homes leaving site in Oct/Nov 2021.

a) The fencing on the pumping station has been left in disrepair, the pumping station is not secure and young people are playing in the pumping station. United Utilities will not take on responsibility as the pumping station is not up to the required standard.

b) The drains are blocked or not functioning on Lostock Boulevard and Heatherleigh.

c) The roads and pavements have been left incomplete and are a serious hazard to vehicles and pedestrians. Miller Homes have advised that the roads/pavements cannot be completed until the drains are repaired. There has since been no response from Miller Homes although they left 11 months ago. Heatherleigh (which is now renamed Beconsaw Drive) also needs repairing, but there is an issue as to whether this is Miller Homes or not.

The original complaint made to planning enforcement seems to have been ignored, however recently 35 complaints have been made to planning enforcement.

There is also a broken lamp post near to the pumping station, and disabled access is just awful.

It was advised that the Director of JMK was on site in June and there are contractors on site bidding for the contract to repair the drains, however this is awaiting Miller Homes to appoint a contractor. Letters have been written to Miller Homes and SRBC planning. It has been confirmed that Beconsaw Drive is the responsibility of Miller Homes.

The member of public advised that Miller Homes have been aware of the issues for over 2 years, and are aware of the need to rebuild the drainage under the public space, as it has collapsed.

Councillor Shaun Bradbury advised that he had received a complaint from residents, that the footpaths and roads are inaccessible to wheelchairs and pushchairs. There is an abandoned compound, and open drainage ditches (with an 8ft drop). He has raised the issue with SRBC and been advised that this is not a planning issue. He has discovered that the open drains and the compound are the responsibility of Tilia, and both have since been repaired. A response from Miller Homes is expected by the 9th September 2022.

Due to the collapse of the drains there is no water going to the pumping station, once this issue is resolved then the roads can be completed, and tarmacked, and can be adopted by LCC. The timescale provided is completion by Christmas 2022.

The member of public stressed that the repairs need to be completed by winter. Councillor Shaun Bradbury advised that if he had not received a response by the 9th September the he will chase the Directors of Miller Homes. It is hopeful that the drain can be repaired in situ and does not need to be dug out.

Councillor Shaun Bradbury went on to apologise to the members of public, as the residents should not have been left in the situation. There may be major upheaval but hopefully this will be worth the results. He advised that residents will be kept informed of progress.

Councillor Karen Walton advised that she has been party to many letters and meetings with SRBC but keeps being told that this is not a Local Authority issue. There has been a recent meeting with Tilia and they are aware of the issues. Councillor Karen Walton apologised for the length of time it is taking to resolve the issues.

The member of public stated that the developers are the problem.

Councillor Michael Green advised that the residents should not have been left in this situation and the planning authorities should be ensuring that the work is completed properly.

A member of public asked why planning conditions are not enforced?

Councillor Michael Green advised that there is a catch 22 as Highways and United Utilities will not adopt unless the standards are met. The Local Authorities need to step up and enforce the planning conditions.

A member of public stated that it needs to be stopped by not allowing planning permission to bad developers.

Councillor Michael Green advised that this doesn't work as all planning applications are anonymous, so that there is no bias when reviewing planning applications. The details of the planning applicant cannot be used as a reason to deny the planning application.

Councillor Mike Otter suggested that members of the public could write to their MP as this is a national issue.

Councillor Michael Green suggested writing to either Nigel Evans or Katherine Fletcher dependent upon the constituency.

Councillor Shaun Bradbury stated that he could not understand why the planning authorities are not responsible

A member of the public suggested contacting Chris Moister for a legal perspective.

Councillors Karen Walton and Michael Green agreed that this is a good point.

A member of the public asked if when a contractor is appointed and assuming the drains are repaired first, and then the roads raised and kerbs are addressed, with the Local Authority be involved? Councillor Karen Walton asked if this would be LCC.

Councillor Michael Green advised that it could be.

Councillor Shaun Bradbury suggested that there should be a Health & Safety Advisor to Miller Homes. A copy of their report has been requested. The question is who will police or enforce this? There should be a crossover and checks and balances in place. Just not sure how this has slipped through.

The Director of Miller Homes has advised the Director of Planning at SRBC (Jonathan Noad) that the works will be completed.

LCC will advise if the roads meet the required standards before adopting.

The member of public advised that at a previous property he owned Building Regulations checked everything, yet there seems to have been no checks at all on

this estate.

Councillor Michael Green asked if there was anything else that the Parish Council could do to assist (that isn't already underway)?

Councillors Karen Walton and Shaun Bradbury suggested that they needed to wait until Friday. Councillor Karen Walton advised that Nigel Evans is the MP for Ribble Valley and Katherine Fletcher is the MP for South Ribble. The houses could be in either constituency. The pumping station is in Earnshaw Bridge.

Councillor Michael Green suggested that a model letter be completed and forwarded to the Clerk who can then forward to the relevant MP's.

He thanks Councillors Karen Walton and Shaun Bradbury for their efforts in resolving the issues.

Leyland Albion Football Club made a formal request to the Parish Council to allow the installation of temporary dugouts at the unfenced pitch at the BTR Fields.

The Clerk advised that the request has already been passed to Rowland Homes for approval.

Councillor Tony Green asked if the dugouts would be temporary. Leyland Albion advised that the dugouts would be temporary structures, with removable seats (to minimize any possible ASB) and the ground would be made good if they are removed.

Councillor Karen Walton asked if there would be any impact upon the Leyland Playscheme. Leyland Albion advised that there should not be any impact, but if there are any problems the structures can be temporarily removed without any issue.

Councillor Shaun Bradbury raised the concern of the dug-outs creating the potential for more ASB as they can be used for the wrong purpose and attract the wrong people. He advised that he has used dugouts on wheels at other locations, and moveable ones would be more advisable.

Councillor Michael Green suggested making provisions for the possibility of ASB.

Leyland Albion advised that there is CCTV on the site, plus members of the Football Club are on site most days, and training takes place most evenings. They are on site a lot and tend to spot any problems very quickly. So far, they have seen very little ASB except from the kickboards being kicked off. The Goals are removed and CCTV has been requested.

A member of the public suggested that as the dug-outs already on site do not have seats, then perhaps the new ones could have no seats too. The Football Club advised that the seats in the dug-outs would be removeable.

The Parish Council resolved that with the agreement of the Landowners, Rowland Homes, the installation of the dugouts could go ahead.

Resolved

The members of Leyland Albion Football Club left the meeting at 7.58pm

A member of the public with property adjacent St Paul's Play Area has requested the Parish Councils consent to them replacing, at no cost to the Parish Council, the boundary fence between the two properties. The member of public has forwarded their site plan as per the Title Deeds, and also a specification of the fence to be used.

Councillor Shaun Bradbury advised that he had reviewed the request, and that the

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fencing would be green mesh wire fencing, which is not a problem. There could potentially be an issue with establishing the boundary as there are mature trees on or along the boundary. He advised that he has no issue with the request as long as the boundary could be established.

Councillor Karen Walton advised that the trees are on the residents property rather than the Parish Councils.

The Clerk advised that legally the member of public can install the fencing on his own property without the permission of the Parish Council, however he wanted to ensure that the Parish Council understand the intended work and do not have any issue with it being undertaken.

A tree survey of the Play Area, which is required in any event, would assist in determining on which property each tree is located. The property boundary would not be changed and is not in dispute.

It was resolved that the Clerk should advise the member of public that there is no objection from the Parish Council.

Resolved

67. (22/23)

Grants

An application has been received by post, today, and the Clerk has asked the Parish Council if they would consider the application at this meeting. The application is from St Pauls Community Centre / Church Hall for the sanding and maintenance of the hall floor.

Councillor Michael Green advised that he was willing to discuss the application at this meeting, although it was not on the agenda. The application is retrospective, for work already carried out, and therefore under the Parish Council Grant Policy the Parish Council are unable to approve the grant request.

The Clerk is asked to write back to the applicant and advise the policy and the reason that the application has been unsuccessful at this time. The Clerk could advise the applicant to apply again in the future but allow plenty of time for the application to be considered before any work or activity is undertaken.

Councillor Mike Otter asked how much the Parish Council pay to St Paul's Church for the lease of the Play Area. The Clerk advised that the lease is £500.

Councillor Karen Walton advised that the lease had increased recently, and was increased from £200. She added that the Hall has been supported with grant funding in the past.

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68. (22/23)

Planning

The Clerk will give an update on current planning issues, and any current planning applications may be discussed under this item.

Councillor Michael Green commented that there are just 3 applications on the agenda for Planning Committee on Thursday.

07/2022/00638/OUT - Councillor Karen Walton advised that she would be objecting to this application as a Borough Councillor as the land is currently safeguarded.

LCC/2022/0039 (Lydiate Quarry – LCC Planning Control (extension requested))
Councillor Shaun Bradbury suggested that the application is very brief and does not appear to be very extensive at all. There will be more traffic, including Commercial Vehicles, more people, a requirement for more drainage and more dust etc. He asked that LCC are requested to provide more clarification.
Councillor Michael Green advised the SRBC, LCC Highways, and the Flood Lead Authority have not raised any objections, however United Utilities have requested more details. There have been issues raised by residents about the quarry before, it has been investigated previously, but has not been found to be in breach of planning.
The Clerk is requested to draft a response including the concerns raised, on behalf of the Parish Council.

LCC/2022/0044 Cuerden Strategic Site – LCC Planning Control
Councillor Michael Green declared an interest in this item and left the room for the duration of discussions.
The impact of the access routes were discussed including the residents that would be directly affected by the development.
A member of the public asked if the development could be explained.
Councillor Karen Walton described the site location and advised that an application for outline planning has been made for a mixed development of Commercial, Residential and Retail use.
The Clerk advised the members of public that the application can be viewed on the LCC website and comments can be made online.
Councillor Karen Walton suggested that the A582 would need to be dualled to cope with the additional amount of traffic. The development will have a huge impact upon Farington. The Clerk was asked to collate any observations of comments so that these can be submitted.
Councillor Shaun Bradbury advised that there are around 120 houses in the application, but the major impact will be on Stanifield Lane, and also the creation of jobs and homes. Again, consideration needs to be given to air quality, infrastructure to support the development and the impact upon Highways.
The Clerk is requested to draft a response on behalf of the Parish Council.
Councillor Shaun Bradbury stated that the developers should then respond advising how they will mitigate against these issues.
Councillor Karen Walton requested that Councillor Michael Green return to the meeting.

Councillor Karen Walton advised of a further application, Bridgend (00638/OUT). This is also safeguarded land so she will be keeping a close eye as the development is not suitable.
Councillor Karen Walton advised that she had spoken at the inquiry into the Pickering Farm Development and represented residents who are concerned about air quality, and the need to Dual the A582.
She advised that meetings are continuing with regard to the Caddick Development and progress is being made.

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69. (22/23)

Borough Council and County Council reports – for information only

The Borough and County Council members will give an update on Borough and County Council matters affecting the Parish Council area.

Councillor Michael Green proposed that the Fire and Rescue Consultation should be moved to the next meeting. Unanimously agreed.

Councillor Karen Walton reported that events at SRBC had been fairly quiet during August. There are some issues coming up at the meetings to be held towards the end of September. The official opening of Worden Hall will take place at the end of the month.

Councillor Mike Otter advised that the Leyland Playscheme grant from the Hub had supported a further 10 places, and that 740 children took part in the Playscheme. It was an excellent event.

Councillor Karen Walton advised that the Farington Fun Day took place on the 18th August, and although there had been no feedback it was hoped that all who attended had a good day.

Councillor Michael Green advised about the application for the Cricket Training site, saying that the nets had been planned to be too close to residential properties and this is being address. The plans are moving forward.

Resolved

70. (22/23)

Clerk's Report (Including Legthsmans Update)

Lengthsmans update available at meeting.

The Clerk advised that the External Financial Audit has been completed and signed off without issue. The Conclusion of Audit Notices have been posted to all noticeboards and to the website.

Bollard and Height Barrier at St Paul's Play Area

Application for PCC funding has been received for completion.

The bollard will be provided by Ventbrook (Quoted £536 for a telescopic bollard) – there are supply issues with the bollard, however an alternative superior bollard was installed on the 02/09/22.

Councillor Shaun Bradbury advised that the bollard installed is fit for purpose, and proposed that the Parish Council keep this moving forward. He advised that he attended the site this morning to provide access to the Contractors. He further advised that the bollard needs to be secured when not in use (to avoid removal from site) 2 x Number 10 padlocks and keys will be provided by SRBC for use with the bollard.

The Clerk is requested to ask the contractors for an invoice for the completed bollard.

Unanimously agreed.

The signs will be provided by Whitehill Direct (Quoted £64 x 2)

The height barrier will be provided by Leyland Gates & Railings (Quoted £2135) site meeting 30/08/22

A member of public asked if the carpark can be used by older or disabled people. Councillor Shaun Bradbury advised that there is shared access (provided by the bollard, which will be in use once the height barrier is installed, however until it is installed the area remains closed.

A member of public advised that they are concerned that a site close to the Nursery on Croston Road has its gates open, and could be a target for trespassers. Councillor Shaun Bradbury advised that he will speak with the landowner and warn them of the current issues.

Resolved

St Paul's Playground

Work to begin week commencing 05/09/22 for 3 weeks ending on 23/09/2022.

Pre-start meeting was arranged for 31/08/2022

Phase 2 project planning meeting was arranged for 31/08/2022 (Councillors Karen Walton & Shaun Bradbury)

The second phase of the project will take place to cover flooding issues, footpaths inc. new pedestrian access, planting and a dementia garden.

A new notice board will be provided.

Perimeter path – health & safety issues – flooding issues – project phase 2 to be planned once dates are known for the play area refurbishment.

On completion of phase 1 a cairn for the play area (Commemorating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee) will be installed, which will include that the land is leased from the Diocese of Blackburn in line with the lease agreement.

Councillor Michael Green raised the concern that not both goals are to be replaced under the proposed plans.

Councillor Shaun Bradbury explained the risk and advised the size plus the multi-use features would be better than 2 simple goals.

The Clerk suggested that this could form a part of the consultation for the second phase of the project.

Resolved

BTR Field

Electrical works at BTR Field completed and EICR certificates provided

CCTV Service took place on 14/07/2022.

The Clerk spoke to the service engineer. He advised that the night camera view is very poor and there is also a bright light shining directly at the camera which makes any images pretty much useless. The equipment is also coming to end of life and there are better alternatives now available, however this would need a site survey to recommend a better solution.

Councillor Shaun Bradbury suggested that Rowland Homes may have CCTV cameras that cover the BTR fields.

It was agreed to utilize CIL finding for a survey on the CCTV with a view to improved technology and more effective costs.

Resolved

The line marker has been offered to Leyland Albion to make use of.

Notice Boards

Notice board has been installed on Coote lane, Whitestake

Next 2 notice boards delivered to be installed at St Paul's Play Area and Wheelton Lane

Last 2 notice boards have been ordered to take advantage of the prices (prices are increasing in Sept) to be installed at Stanley Road and Mill Lane

Councillor Mike Otter advised that a noticeboard will be installed at Wheelton Lane this week.

Parish Councillor Vacancy

There have been no applications received.

The Clerk will continue to advertise, and will keep Electoral Services informed.

The Chairmans Chain of Office

The Clerk will be taking the chain to Atkinsons Jewelers in Leyland when the repair workshop reopens.

Defibs

New lock required for Defib at Hope Terrace – quote requested from Taurus Locks
New Batteries and Pads are on order, but the defibs are now out of circulation as the expiry dates have passed.

Farington Park – Outdoor Gym

New signs for Farington Park Gym Equipment have been installed

Quote received for replacing the pads under the gym equipment on Farington Park

The Parish Council discussed the quotes provided and resolved to instruct

Groundwork & Leisure Services Ltd to go ahead with the Option I quote of £4.800 + vat. The Clerk is asked to request information on the warranty or guarantee for the project.

Resolved

Scribe Accounts Software

The accounts package has now been populated with the payments & receipts information for 22/23

Completed projects

Bus Shelters

Community Road Safety Resource Pack – Delivered. A second pack will be provided.

MofU for BTR fields

Name badges/lanyards – once vacancy is filled the last one will be printed

Other

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Invitation to join LANPAC - Lancashire Partnership Against Crime (£60)
 Lancashire Fire and Rescue Emergency Cover consultation – issued 15/08/2022
 Should Councillor Contact details be on the website – phone / email / address?
 Complaint from resident regarding the Parish Council objection to 'Who let the dogs out' planning application.

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Financial Matters

The Parish Council is asked to:-

- i) Note the current bank balance in the HSBC Account.
- ii) Note the invoices paid since the last meeting.
- iii) Approve outstanding invoices for payment.

i) Bank Account Balance

The account balance is currently £243,158.14 (online balance available 4th September 2022).

ii) Invoices paid:

Date	Journal Ref	Ref.	Invoice Ref	Payee	Details of Payment	Gross Payment Amount
04/07/2022	22-23 - 053	BACS - 14/07/22	Power supply cab	BLEC Electrical	Power supply cabin and EICR	£1,463.34
08/07/2022	22-23 - 054	BACS - 19/08/22	SI00258502	Berry's	Maintenance Supplies	£1.25
08/07/2022	22-23 - 055	BACS - 19/08/22	SI00258503	Berry's	Maintenance Supplies	£11.84
15/07/2022	22-23 - 056	BACS - 15/07/22	99760	Taps Empire	Maintenance Supplies	£538.82
21/07/2022	22-23 - 057	BACS - 19/08/22	SI00273214	Berry's	Maintenance Supplies	£62.47
08/08/2022	22-23 - 058	BACS - 15/08/22	2223126	LALC	LALC Membership	£884.65
15/08/2022	22-23 - 059	BACS - 15/08/22	NA	Peter Heise	Peter Heise - Payment to 15/08/22	£936.00
15/08/2022	22-23 - 060	BACS - 11/08/22	NA	Clerk	Salary August 22	£1,192.73
06/08/2022	22-23 - 061	BACS - 19/08/22	A30 - 38	Newgate Nurseries	Plants	£65.88
04/08/2022	22-23 - 062	BACS - 19/08/22	SI00293276	Berry's	Maintenance Supplies	£7.93
25/07/2022	22-23 - 063	BACS - 19/08/22	168640	BD Print	Name Badges	£112.80
28/07/2022	22-23 - 064	BACS - 19/08/22	SI00284606	Berry's	Maintenance Supplies	£81.92
17/08/2022	22-23 - 066	BACS - 19/08/22	108071	Peter Heise	Maintenance Supplies - Garlick Garden Machinery	£64.00
18/07/2022	22-23 - 067	DD	uu-INV07727849	Water Plus	Water Plus July 22	£54.18
18/08/2022	22-23 - 068	DD	uu-INV07839581	Water Plus	Water Plus Aug 22	£56.00

iii) Invoices due:

Date	Journal Ref	Ref.	Invoice Ref	Payee	Details of Payment	Gross Payment Amount
25/08/2022	22-23 - 075		7271	Whitehill Direct	2 x Notice Boards	£2,013.60
26/08/2022	22-23 - 076		SIN006128	Proludic	Outdoor Gym Signs	£232.80
04/08/2022	22-23 - 077		A29/35	Newgate Nurseries	Plants	£83.46
26/08/2022	22-23 - 078		A1/36	Newgate Nurseries	Plants	£12.56
21/07/2022	22-23 - 079		A7/35	Newgate Nurseries	Plants	£141.36
26/08/2022	22-23 - 080		SO0301818	Berrys	Maintenance Supplies	£39.73
17/09/2022	22-23 - 081		DD	LCC Pension	LCC Pension Payment	£384.65
09/09/2022	22-23 - 082		NA	Peter Heise	Peter Heise - Payment to 09/09/22	£936.00
15/09/2022	22-23 - 083		NA	Clerk	Salary Sept 22	£1,192.73
29/08/2022	22-23 - 084		SB20221163	PKF Littlejohn	External Audit 20/21	£480.00
04/09/2022	22-23 - 088	DD	uu-INV07945044	Water Plus	Sep-22	£67.53
30/08/2022	22-23 - 090	DD		HSBC	Bank Charges Aug 22	£5.00

iv) Other payments/Receipts

Leyland Albion Football Club £50 received 01/08/22 & 01/09/22

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Projects for 2022/2023

- I. Shop Local Business Scheme
- II. Parish Council Newsletter
- III. St Paul's Park play area refurbishment – pre-start meeting to be planned
- IV. St Paul's Park (Phase 2) – meeting required
- V. Further projects for considerations – Christmas Lights / Summer Baskets
- VI. Refurb of the Bobbin Seats at Mill Street.

It was suggested that Play and Leisure may be able to assist with this project. Councillor Shaun Bradbury also suggested a company in Blackpool who may be able to assist with replacing the bobbins with ones made from resin.

- VII. Security at St Paul's Park – Bollard installed / Height barrier ordered
- VIII. Additions to Chairs Chain of Office
- IX. Repairs to outdoor gym equipment at Farington Park – quotes provided.

73. (22/23)

Issues with speeding on Croston Road

Issue requested for the agenda by Councillor Shaun Bradbury

Every issue with speeding needs to be reported to the Police using either 101 or online reporting.

A member of the public stated that speed humps do not help, what is required are speed cameras.

Councillor Shaun Bradbury described the number of accidents and their severity along a small stretch of Croston Road during a fairly short space of time.

HGV's are using rat runs around Croston Road, and also Moss Lane is national speed limit when it should be 20MPH.

The site at Model Farm seems to have been taken over by Hurts and they are storing vehicles there.

Councillor Karen Walton suggested that this should be reported to planning

Councillor Michael Green advised that the Police enforce whilst LCC establish the speed limits.

It was suggested that County Councillor Charlie Edwards should be invited to see Croston Road for himself.

It was agreed that the Clerk should invite the Road Safety Partnership to look into the issues raised.

There are also hedges encroaching upon the footpaths.

The Clerk is asked to write to the Road Safety Partnership regarding the full length of Croston Road.

With the issue regarding Moss Lane Councillor Michael Green will check what speed restrictions should be in place.

Councillor Michael Green thanked all Parish Councillors and members of the public for attending the meeting.

74. (22/23) Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held at 7.00 pm on Wednesday 5th October 2022 at St Paul's CE Primary, Croston Road, Farington Moss.

The meeting closed at 9.56pm

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