

CABUS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Cabus Parish Council meeting held via Zoom on Monday 16 November 2020 at 7:30pm

Record of members present: Parish Cllrs R Hastings (Chair), M Houghton, L Jackson, J Slater, T Suart.

In attendance: Lancashire County Cllr S Turner and Wyre Borough Councillor A Collins. L Banton (Clerk)

2036. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received from Wyre Borough Cllr Lady D Atkins and noted that Sir R Atkins was at Garstang Town Council Meeting,

2037. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

It was resolved that the minutes of the last meeting held on 14 September 2020 be approved.

2038. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

2039. CLIMATE CONSIDERATIONS –PRO ACTIVE MEASURES

- Noted that Electric Vehicle Charging Points information received from Charge My Street had been forwarded by the Clerk to Cabus Village Hall Committee who had registered their interest in the scheme with the provider.
- Noted that ‘hedghegog superhighways’ were now included in Cabus Parish Council climate consideration measures which are submitted in response to planning application consultations received from Wyre Borough Council.
- Noted that acoustic fencing, whilst not attractive, was effective and that original hedges should also be retained

2040. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The meeting was adjourned to allow for a period of public discussion including the receipt of reports from the Lancashire County Council and Wyre Borough Council representatives with updates/information.

- Proposed Super Hospital in/around Garstang – LCC Cllr Turner outlined the government funding behind the initiative to create super hospitals and that business cases to identify suitable sites had been invited for submission by November 2021. Preston and Lancashire Authorities were co-ordinating a joint submission but any sites would need to have motorway access so this would likely rule out Garstang as a potential location.
- YMCA Garstang Swimming Pool update – no further update as to possible re-opening of the facility as yet.
- Drains on Gubberford Lane – repeated requests had been submitted for drain clearing but not taken place yet. Cllr Turner agreed to pick this up.
- Gubberford Lane road surface - resurfacing request was partly undertaken but to a very poor standard and pot holes still present by Junction of Green Lane East and around bend. Cllr Turner agreed to pick this up.
- Cabus Nook Lane drains (to the north of Raby Contract Services sign) need clearing – contractors successfully cleared one drain but the other still blocked.
- No flooding at A6 bus stop by Gubberford Lane – successful work undertaken at this location which has resulted in no flooding for the first time in years.

The meeting was reconvened at 8:08pm

2041. FINANCIAL MATTERS

PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

It was resolved that the following be authorised for payment.

PAYEE	REASON	AMOUNT	CHEQUE NO.
L Banton	Clerk's expenses: Broadband (Oct-Nov) & Stationery	£24.38	000894
Mark Stansfield	Lengthman's work in September 2020 (invoice dated 02.10.20) and October 2020 (invoice dated 01.11.20)	£549.50 [£290.50 & £259.00]	000895
Cabus Village Hall	Hall Hire 2020 (Jan & March meetings)	£20.00	000896
Paul Whitaker	Grass Cutting 3 cuts (8 cuts completed in total)	£937.50	000897

TO NOTE AUTHORISED PAYMENTS SINCE LAST MEETING

Clerk's Salary – £260 (26 September 2020); £260 (26 October 2020)

Budget Update 20/21

To receive a budget update for the 20/21 accounts.

It was resolved to receive and note the budget update.

2042. Financial request (Garstang Festive Lights Group) – Garstang Christmas Lights

In response to the donation request to contribute to the Garstang Christmas Lights Appeal it was resolved to donate £100.00.

2043. Donation to Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

In light of the Covid lockdown, a wreath had not been purchased and it was resolved to donate £50.00 to the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.

2044. Cabus War Memorial – Proposal

In response to the tremendous work undertaken by Cabus Village Hall to secure the placement of a war memorial outside Cabus Village Hall to commemorate the two servicemen from Cabus who died in the 1914-18 war, Cllr Slater proposed that Cabus Parish Council purchase two metal remembrance soldiers to stand either side of the war memorial. It was agreed that the Clerk source quotes for the next meeting with a view to approaching and working in conjunction with Cabus Village Hall.

2045. Purchase Authorisation for Litter Picking Sticks

It was noted that Wyre Borough Council had now reclaimed the litter picking equipment recently loaned to Cabus Parish Council, so a quotation has been received for the purchase of stock from *HelpingHandEnvironmental* which is the organisation which supplies Wyre Borough Council.

LP3035-35" Ranger Max with curved handle	£17.73 per unit x 5 units =£88.65 ex vat X10 units =£177.30 ex vat
LP0011 -Handi -hoop with Foam Handle	£7.57 per unit

*All pricing is ex vat *if the order is under the value of £150 it will incur a £5 delivery charge if it is above it will be all inclusive in the costs.

It was resolved to purchase x 10 units of LP3035-35" Ranger Max with curved handle at a cost of £177.3- ex vat (£212.76 including vat)

Signed:
Chair of Cabus Parish Council

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2046. LCC Public Consultation on changes to the layout of the M6 Junction 33

The various routes and options were discussed and it was noted that it was the closest motorway junction to Cabus and any one of the proposed improvements involved a vast swathe of countryside going under tarmac to facilitate building thousands of new houses near to Lancaster University but the least worst option was the Central One Option which ran alongside the M6. It was agreed that the Clerk respond on behalf of Cabus Parish Council both online, and in writing before the response deadline of 4th December 2020.

2047. Reports/Information/Discussion Items

- 1 Daffodil planting on the A6 (Cllr Jackson) – thanks extended to all who participated in the planting of the 2000 King Alfred daffodils. Locations for further infill planting in 2021 would be assessed in Spring 2021
- 2 Wildflower Audit and Wildflower Areas (Cllr Jackson) – Spring and Summer Audits had now been completed with results as follows: Spring Audit had resulted in 58 different wildflower varieties, summer had 72 different varieties. No primroses had been recorded. Noted that the Audit results would help shape the forthcoming Wildflower Area project which would be picked up in Spring 2021 with relaxed mowing in designated areas, visibly identified by string and marked out areas.
- 3 Planting the small garden area at the Cabus shops (Cllr Slater) – deferred to next meeting.
- 4 Tree in grassed area between Cabus shops and Toll bar (Cllr Slater) – noted that the tree looked diseased/damaged and might have a Tree Preservation Order on it so Clerk to contact Ryan Arrel at Wyre Borough Council.
- 5 Canal leaflet update (Cllr Jackson) – work ongoing.
- 6 Lengthsman work (Cllr Hastings):
 - Painting four of the five milestones in Cabus – noted that the lengthsman had already completed this and the milestones looked really good.
 - Footpath style in need of attention - second on left going north on Fowler's Lane - Clerk to flag with Lengthman.
 - Bench at end of Snapewood Lane (not the memorial bench) – noted that this was in need of repair/possible replacement. Clerk to review and seek quotes for replacement if required.

2048. Planning Matters and Applications

Noted that the shipping container on the Fowler's Hill car park on the A6 had been recently erected and whilst the current location looked potentially hazardous at the end of the junction with Fowler Hill Lane, this is the location which had been approved by Wyre Borough Council Planning Committee. Clerk to enquire with Wyre Cllr Lady Atkins regarding the licence.

2049. Other Items Raised

- Woodfold Lane Theft of Burger Van Generator – noted that this had taken place in broad daylight and was extremely concerning. Clerk to contact Wyre Cllr Sir R Atkins and Police Chief to flag concerns and again request CCTV in this location.
- Flytipping – the number of flytipping incidents in Cabus was concerning, particular the prevalence of entire caravans full of waste now being dumped (Woodfold Lane / Snapewood Bridge).

2050. Date of Next Meeting

This was confirmed as Monday 11th January 2021 at 7.30pm by Zoom.

The meeting closed at 8.57pm. All Councillors were thanked for their attendance.

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Chair of Cabus Parish Council

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