

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BILLINGTON AND LANGHO PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 26th 2018 AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE, LANGHO.**

PRESENT

Parish councillors – Brian Haworth, Martin Hincks, Heather McCarthy, Tony Austin, , Michael Collins, Frank Havard, Cllr Alan Schofield

ITEM 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

ITEM 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- a) Register of Interests – Councillors were reminded of the need to update their register of interests.
- b) No members disclosed any personal or prejudicial interests in any matter to be discussed at the meeting.

ITEM 3 ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held on 26th October 2018 were accepted as a true record.

ITEM 4 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- 4.1 Public participants Katharine Swingewood
- 4.2 The Parish Council is not at full allocation, if any member of the public would like to join please contact any member of the Parish Council. There are no inhabitants of Billington itself on the Council at present.
- 4.3 Katharine Swingewood, attended with a view to becoming a member of the Parish Council.

ITEM 5 PLAYGROUNDS

- 5.1 The work in the goal posts has not been completed and will not now be undertaken till the weather improves enough to set new turf.
- 5.2 Members of the Parish Council have visited Billington Park, after complaints were received about a contractor leaving the area in a poor condition. The clerk is to write to the contractor to request the area be made good with appropriate works undertaken to leave the area as it was found.
- 5.3 Langho in Bloom and the Parish Council have agreed the placing of the orchard. This is to be planted by local children and will have signage introducing the orchard.
- 5.4 Concerns were raised about the willow tree in the playground. Quotes will be sought to removed damaged and dead branches.

ITEM 6 ACCOUNTS

6.1 Expenditure

C Walton, inv3361	Chq 202136	£514.29
C Walton inv 3362	Chq 202137	£276.29
Nurture inv 219653	Chq 202138	£126.49
HMRC	Chq 202139	£90.00
Clerk November Salary	Chq 202140	£360.00
British Legion Wreath	Chq202141	£100.00
Clerk December Salary	Chq 202142	£360.00
HMRC	Chq 202143	£90.00

ITEM 7 PLANNING

3/2018/1026	Sudells Farm Northcote Road Langho BB6 8BD	Application for a prior notification of a proposed agricultural building for livestock and storage.	No Objections
3/2018/0973	The Avenue Hotel Gleneagles Drive Brockhall Village Old Langho BB6 8AY	Single storey extension to bar and dining area (resubmission of application 3/2018/0533).	No objections
3/2018/0968	No 1 Restaurant and Bar Gleneagles Drive Old Langho BB6 8AY	Change of use of ground floor from restaurant (use class A3) to gym/leisure facility (use class D2).	No objections
3/2018/1020	Calding Bank Cottage Whalley Old Road Billington BB7 9JE	Demolition of existing garage to Calding Bank Cottage and erection of one detached dwelling including new external terrace with swimming pool.	No objections

ITEM 8 HIGHWAYS

- 8.1 Whinney Lane / Snodworth correspondence, residents of Whinney Lane and Snodworth Road have made numerous requests for speed indicatives to be put in place along these roads. Cllr Alan Schofield has pressed LCC, Highways and RVBC for this but there is a no guarantee of funding as the area is not an accident blackspot so does not qualify for funding under the road traffic scheme. The clerk to write to residents.
- 8.2 Requests have been made for new signage on Elker Lane near Hackings Farm, again a car has gone through the fence there. It was suggested that www.crashmap.co.uk was used for statistics and the clerk to write to Highways and Cllr Alan Schofield. Cllr Schofield and Martin Hincks are to visit the area to see what signage is currently in place.
- 8.3 Northcote Road, pedestrian footpath, near the riding school, has an overgrown hedge and grass growing onto the footpath. People with prams can not walk along this footpath and must use the road. This is unacceptable and the clerk is to write to RVBC.

ITEM 9 OFFICERS REPORTS -

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9.1 Tony Austin attended the Parish Council Liaison Committee. He presented a report to the Parish Council

It was agreed that Diane Rice (RVBC) would address a special meeting of chairs and clerks regarding administration of next years Parish Elections.

Neighbourhood plans – these are not to be used to “stop all these houses” but it could be used for “place shaping” and re-invigorating the village. Parish Council is the qualifying body for a Plan, which must have community support.

The Chair of Whalley Parish Council raised issues about excessive number of licenced premises in the village – 26 on a map including 2 in Painter Wood. They are keen to have a Saturation Area declared. Billington and Langho Parish Council would be consultees for this.

ITEM 10 CORRESPONDANCE

- Cold Calling area’s emails
- Pensions Regulator letter
- Bus Shelters emails
- RVBC Planning agenda 29th November 2018
- LCC Parish and Town Council Conference.

ITEM 11 BUS SHELTERS

11.1 Concerns have been raised by a resident about the state of the bus shelter opposite Taylor Buildings, whilst the Parish Council acknowledges that repairs are needed on the shelter, the Parish Council seek clarification as to who owns the shelter. Cllr Alan Schofield, on behalf of LCC, Daniel Sutcliffe of RVBC and the Parish Council are seeking to resolve this issue.

PCSO Pemberton’s Report

2/11 Suspected drug dealing from an address in Langho.

11/11 Abandoned vehicle, whilst this did look abandoned it did come back to a local resident.

12/11 Possible drink driver at Langho Spar, the driver was spoken to at home address.

ITEM 12 TRANSPARENCY FUNDING

If anyone has any photographs of the local area that they could share on the website, please contact a member of the Parish Council.

The website can be found at <http://www.billingtonlanghopc.org/>

ITEM 13 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

13.1 Cold Calling, there has been a call for the whole of Billington to be covered by a No Cold Calling Notice, whilst this does not give a legal status to prevent Cold Caller it does deter them. Cllr Alan Schofield has been in correspondence with Julie Waddington, Trading Standards Officer and Cllr Ged Mirfin, LCC regarding this. A copy of the letters to residents is on the Parish Council website.

13.2 The war memorial is now registered online and thus qualifies for funding. An application has been made to repair and replace damaged flags around the memorial. Frank Havard was thanked for his work with this. In addition Chair Brian Haworth with Michael Collins are to check the ivy that is growing on the old oak tree.

DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

Monday 28th January 2019 at 7.30pm

Monday 25th February 2019 at 7.30pm

Monday 25th March 2019 at 7.30pm

Monday 29th April 2019 at 7.30pm

Monday 20th May 2019 at 7.30pm

Monday 24th June 2019 at 7.30pm

Monday 29th July 2019 at 7.30pm

Monday 30th September at 7.30pm

Monday 28th October 2019 at 7.30pm

Monday 25th November at 7.30pm