ELSWICK PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 27th August 2015 - in Elswick Pavilion – 7.45pm

PRESENT: Clirs Molloy, Hayhurst (Chairman), Hudson, Rowe and Dean, 3 Residents and the Clerk C Backhouse.

- 15/056 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: Nil
- 2. 15/057 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Nil
- 15/058 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cilr Haresceugh
- **5. 15/059 MINUTES:** Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting (30th July 2015) were read and alterations to be amended- to be resolved at next meeting.
- 6. 15/060 MATTERS ARISING: Nil
- 7. 15/061 POLICE No report had been received.

8. 15/062 PLANNING

- A. Items for Discussion
- i) 15/0576 Gorst Farm, for erection of 5 dwellings, following demolition of existing barns- Objection given due to Location on a sharp bend which causes a highways issue, linear development, outside the current urban fence and if it did get approved for the footpath to be extended for pedestrians.

9. 15/063 LEISURE AND AMENITIES

i) <u>MUGA</u>- Awards for All has enabled the Muga to be opened 2 hours a week-FOC Tuesday and Thursday.

Youth Club also have the facility FOC as long as it is supervised.

Football session also available on Saturday mornings for the local residents.

The Residents didn't bring a proposal to the meeting as requested by the Cllr's – It was resolved by he Cllr's offering three nights a week FOC and MUGA prices to be reviewed in 12 months.

10. 15/064 OPEN SPACES

- i) <u>Wildlife/Flower Meadow:</u> Cllr Hayhurst informed the council he will get in contact and gain advice from the Lancashire Environmental Fund and Wildlife Trust with regards to maintaining the grounds.
- ii) <u>Dog Exercise Area:</u> Update given from Sam Kernohan UR Church are happy to go ahead with the community's request as long as the ongoing problem of the dog debris bags are disposed of in an appropriate bin and not in the farmers field as previously done- It was resolved by asking dog walkers to police the area and make sure all debris bags are deposited in the bins provided. When the Parish Council feel the dog owners are being more responsible by using the bins they will then arrange a formal meeting with the UR Church to rent the land to extend the current area. The Council will also provide another bin in the enclosed dog area to encourage it to be used.
- iii) <u>Damage to CCTV/Property:</u> Cllr Emmington gained a quotation to update cameras equaling £775.00 + VAT. Cllr's would like further modernization to system including updated software and extended storage at extra cost. Further vandalism occurred to fence panels down the side of the VH- 5 Fence panels required replacing and Cllr Emmington arranging this.

It was resolved to proceed as above and costing for extra CCTV upgrade to be resolved at the next meeting.

iv) <u>Larbreck Ave Park</u> It was proposed a fence be erected inside the hedge.Cllr Emmington to gain a quotation and also Cllr Rowe to contact the neighbour of the park to trim back the hedges to improve the safety of the children.

It was resolved to proceed with the above and Clerk to be given quotation to gain funding

- V) <u>Playing Fields:</u> 5 a side goals to be made and AFC contacted for advice on size. **It was resolved to proceed as above**
- Vi) Sign Posting Scheme; Cllr Hayhurst will research the Scheme and costings researched.

It was resolved to proceed with the scheme if there was no cost but otherwise discuss again at next meeting

11. 15/065 OTHER

i) Councillor Responsibilities

It was resolved to defer until the September meeting after discussion at the informal meeting of duties.

- ii) <u>Baxter Homes</u>- Clirs were informed that Baxter Homes refused to contribute to the Flower bed due to the Parish Council's objections to planning application.
- iii) Awards for All- Funding received and discussed previously in meeting.
- iv) <u>Sick Leave</u>- Andrew Atkinson will be taking sick leave in November no replacement required due to time of year.
- V) Best Kept Garden Results-Clerk to send out prizes

12. 15/066 BOROUGH/COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT- Nil

13. 15/067 FINANCE

a) Expenditure

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| | Date | Payee | Details | Cheque | Net Amount | VAT | Gross Amount |
| | 28.08.15 | A Atkinson | Grass Cutting | 200506 | 250.00 | | 250.00 |
| | 28.08.15 | P Hayhurst | Expenses/Sundries | 200501 | 196.85 | | 196.85 |
| | 28.08.15 | A Atkinson | August Salary | 200509 | | | 444.57 |
| | 28.08.15 | K Coleman | August Salary | 200508 | | | 196.84 |
| | 28.08.15 | C Backhouse | August Salary | 200507 | | | 147.68 |
| | 28.08.15 | Boston Seeds | Seeds | 200502 | 52.91 | 10.58 | 63.49 |
| | 28.08.15 | Pandora Signs | trophys | 200503 | 11.00 | 2.20 | 13.20 |
| | 28.08.15 | DR Tree Surgeon | Tree Work | 200505 | 60.00 | 12.00 | 72.00 |
| | 28.08.15 | B Armstrong | Grass cutting Area 2 | 200504 | 131.25 | | 131.25 |
| · · · · · | 28.08.15 | S and S Services | Service and part | 200510 | 545.00 | 109.00 | 654.00 |
| | 28.08.15 | P Hayhurst | Expenses | 200511 | 69.19 | | 69.19 |
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| b. Income | | | | | | | | |
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It was resolved that the above accounts be paid and income (where applicable) paid in to bank. Calculations were checked and signed by the Chairman/Councillors.

- ii) 15/067 Internal Audit the Chairman/Councillors checked and signed the pay slips and checked money had been paid into bank by signing of bank statements.
- iii) 15/068 Audit 2014/2015

It was resolved to defer this item until the September meeting.

iv) 15/069 Budget Review

It was resolved to defer this item until September meeting

- 14) 15/070 Correspondence
- i) District Liaison Meeting 17th September 2015
- ii) Change in Bus Services- September 2015

DATE, TIME AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING – THURSDAY 24th September 2015 ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 7.45PM – AT THE PAVILION

| Signed: | Chairman | Date |
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