

MINUTES OF ELSWICK PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: 21ST FEBRUARY 2018**Elswick Village Hall, Elswick 7.45pm**

PRESENT: Cllr Hayhurst (Chairman), Cllr Read, Cllr Dean, Cllr Rowe,
Cllr Hudson,

IN ATTENDANCE: Jane Lings (Clerk). 6 members of the public attended.

Ref	No.	Item
Public Time.		
Speaker 1 highlighted concerns regarding a newly listed application which has been lodged with the Office of the Traffic Commissioner for a Goods Vehicle Licence for 1 HGV, listing Gorst Farm as the Operating Centre.		
412/18	1.	Apologies for Absence Cllr Francis
413/18	2.	Declaration of Interests Cllr Hayhurst declared a pecuniary interest in agenda item 6.
414/18	3.	Minutes of the Previous Meeting The minutes from the meetings held on the 31 st January 2018 were ratified as an accurate record and signed by the Chairman.
415/18	4.	Action Tracker (for information only) The action tracker was reviewed and updated.
416/18	5.	<p>Planning and Licensing The Parish Councillors discussed and considered the following applications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refusal of 17/0540 Gorst Farm, Lodge Lane, Elswick. Retrospective change of use to land to plant storage <p>With regard to the newly listed application which has been lodged with the Office of the Traffic Commissioner for a Goods Vehicle Licence for 1 HGV, listing Gorst Farm as the Operating Centre, it was resolved that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Cllr Hayhurst on behalf of the Parish Council would submit an objection to this licence. ○ Cllr Hayhurst will also contact Neil Stevens, Highways Development Control Manager, Lancashire County Council, to request LCC support in objecting to any further licenses on this site. <p>The planning tracker was noted.</p>
417/18	6.	<p>Finance</p> <p>It was resolved to approve the monthly bank reconciliation for February 2018.</p> <p>It was resolved to approve the cumulative budget report for February 2018.</p> <p>It was resolved to approve payments for February 2018.</p> <p>Overleaf</p>

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Date	Payee	Details	Net Amount	VAT	Gross Amount
21.2.18	Salaries/PAYE	Staff Costs	804.23	-	804.23
21.2.18	A Atkinson	Grass Cutting Area 1	275.00	-	275.00
21.2.18	B Armstrong	Grass cutting Area 2	131.25	-	131.25
21.2.18	J Lingings	Administration expenses	38.54	-	38.54
21.2.18	A Cummings	Bowling Green Maintenance	291.66	-	291.66
21.2.18	Fylde Borough Council	Trade Waste	671.54	-	671.54
21.2.18	Laburnum Nurseries	Winter bedding	150.00	30.00	180.00
21.2.18	P Hayhurst (reimbursement)	Elswickian	63.63	12.73	76.36
21.2.18	Global Gold	Awaiting invoice	91.13	18.23	109.36
21.2.18	A Atkinson	Planting	80.00		80.00

Income received: LCC Grass Cutting Grant: £853.00

418/18	7.	<p>County & Borough Council</p> <p>Fylde Local Plan to 2032 – Schedule of Proposed Main Modifications for Consultation: This item was noted.</p>
419/18	8.	<p>Leisure, Amenities & Open Spaces</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Britain in Bloom <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Britain in Bloom certificates: it was resolved these will be framed as per previous certificates and will be displayed in the Committee Room of the Village Hall. • Summer Flower Contract and Gardening Contract: Following the success of Elswick in last years Britain in Bloom competition, the following actions were agreed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ It was resolved that Cllr P Hayhurst will strive to obtain 3 estimates for the summer flowers contract and agree the most suitable estimate alongside Cllr M Read. It was agreed that this must not exceed the summer flowers budget already allocated for 18/19. ○ It was resolved that Cllr P Hayhurst has the support of the Parish Council to source a gardener if required to assist in the planting of this years summer flowers if required. It was agreed that this work should not exceed the gardening budget already allocated for 18/19. • Best Kept Village Entry <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ It was resolved that the Parish Council will fund the entry fee to this competition. • Meadow: within the meadow and orchard areas, three types of growing areas are being established – annual, perennial and spring meadows. It was resolved to obtain expertise advice on these areas. • Orchard <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Orchard Bees – The Strategic Director of Urban Organic had contacted the Parish Council with two requests which were actioned as follows: It was resolved that a couple of lockers within the changing rooms maybe used for the storage of beekeeping equipment ready for use, for the time being. It was resolved to allow the beekeepers to place a couple of bait hives in the trees surrounding the meadow during May – July. <p>Steve Edwards had visited the site with students from Myerscough College to demonstrate pruning. It was resolved to forward a cheque for £40.00 for S Edwards as per last year.</p> • Elswick Entry Signs: It was resolved to purchase and site up to three signs on the Elswick Stockade bed to acknowledge the villages successes in Britain in Bloom and Best Kept Village for posterity. • Elswick Stockade Bed: It was resolved that this bed required the cobbles to be built up. Cllr Hayhurst to organise for these works to be undertaken.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cycle Rack: It was resolved to purchase a small wall mounted cycle rack for the village hall site.
420/18	9.	Review the effectiveness of internal controls It was resolved to approve the annual review of audit controls which had been updated and presented by the clerk.
421/18	10.	Elswickian The Councillors discussed and considered the arrangements for the Elswickian. It was resolved that Cllrs P Hayhurst and Cllr M Read would prepare Elswickians on behalf of the Parish Council. An annual budget will be agreed before the next financial year.
422/18	12.	Correspondence The following items of correspondence previously distributed by the clerk were noted for information only: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FBC: Agenda for Planning Committee meeting to be held on 07/02/2018 • Mayor's Ball - Friday 23rd March 2018 • Latest news from the ICO • Minutes of the District Parish Liaison meeting - 24 January • District Parish Liaison meeting - Wednesday 18 April • Fylde Council - Budget Consultation 2018/19
423/18	13.	Items for the Next Agenda (for information only) Annual Governance Statement.
424/18	14.	Date of Next Meeting It was resolved to change the date of the next meeting, which will now be held on Wednesday 4 th April 2018 (NOT Wednesday 28 th March 2018). Cllr Rowe objected to this decision.

Meeting closed: 9.30pm

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