

Bolton le Sands Parish Council

Minutes of the parish council meeting held on Monday 7th June 2021 at 7pm by Zoom Video Communication.

Present: Cllr Archer, Cllr Bell, Cllr Bolton, Cllr Budden, Cllr Chaplin, Cllr Fothergill and Cllr Wilson.
Gill Mason – Locum clerk.

Open Forum.

No residents attended the meeting.

76/21 To receive apologies for absence.

Cllr Leak and Cllr Kitching.

77/21 To receive declarations of interests and consider & approve dispensations.

None.

78/21 To consider and approve the minutes of the parish council meeting held on Monday 3rd May 2021.

It was resolved that the minutes be approved after the following amendments: the meeting date was the 3rd May not April, the meeting was to be held by zoom not at the Old Boys School and the council had resolved to manage the lengthsman's hours for Bolton Le Sands only and the clerk would contact Nether Kellet and Over Kellet to let parish councils know.

Proposed by Cllr Bell.

Seconded by Cllr Bolton.

6:1 in favour of the amendments.

79/21 To receive the report from Mr Mike Ashton – village contractor / lengthsman.

The lengthsman's report has been circulated to all councillors.

Accounts with most of the suppliers have been opened allowing the clerk to now order required materials.

80/21 To consider the update on the request for a bee corridor at Grange View and the village tree planting project.

Cllr Bolton has spoken to a Lancaster City Council Public Realm representative regarding the planting of a bee corridor. The clerk has contacted LCC ecology three times but has had no response.

81/21 To consider the renewal of the insurance at a cost of £2,592.26.

It was resolved that the insurance be renewed.

Proposed by Cllr Budden.

Seconded by Cllr Wilson.

82/21 Finance.

To consider and approve the following items for payment.

Cheque	M Ashton	Village Contractor/ Lengthsman	£1006.89
Cheque	G Mason Locum Clerk	May wages	£624.00
Cheque	Thomas Graham	Covid sanitisation equipment	£77.87
Cheque	Thomas Graham	Hand Sanitiser	£23.28

Cheque	Zurich Insurance	Renewal Policy	£2,592.26
Cheque	BT	Outstanding invoice	£0.71
Cheque	Crystal Security Alarms	CCTV maintenance	£120.00
Cheque	Lancashire County Council	Land lease fee	£7.00
Cheque	G Mason Locum Clerk	3 months expenses	£45.00

It was resolved that the payments be made.

Proposed by Cllr Bell.

Seconded by Cllr Wilson

Receipts

BACS	Rural Payments Agency	Woodland improvement	£359.25
Various	Bowling Club Permits	Permit holder fees	£3080.00

83/21 To consider the request for a new memorial bench to be sited.

It was resolved that the new benches can be sited at the bowling green with the stipulation that they replace old, unrepairable benches. The clerk will contact the resident who would like a bench sited at the bowling green.

Proposed by Cllr Bell.

Seconded by Cllr Wilson.

84/21 To consider the quotes for the resurfacing of the tennis court.

The clerk has received a quote for the resurfacing of the tennis court but it does not include taking the top of the court first, which is needed. A revised quote will be requested.

85/21 Planning matters.

The clerk had not received the planning applications this month. The planning website will be checked so the parish council can respond to applications if they are not sent by email.

86/21 To consider the appointment of an internal auditor.

It was resolved that an internal auditor be appointed at a cost of £150.00.

Proposed by Cllr Bell.

Seconded by Cllr Fothergill.

87/21 To consider the review of the chairman and councillor allowances.

It was resolved that the chairman's allowance be awarded this year but will be reviewed in the budget for 2022/23.

Proposed by Cllr Fothergill.

Seconded by Cllr Bolton.

88/21 To consider the correspondence from the bowling club.

A few of the floodlights on the green are not working and an electrician is needed. The clerk will ask the bowling club to get a quote for the repairs so the parish council can consider a donation towards the costs.

The fire extinguisher needs to be tested as it is out of date. The clerk will check how much a test will cost or whether it be cheaper to purchase a new extinguisher.

The parish council would prefer the players to not have refreshments from the pavilion until after the 21st June in line with Covid regulations. The players could bring their own refreshments and seating.

Thank you to Mike Ashton for cleaning the bowling club.

89/21 To consider the next stages of action for the redundant toilet block in the village.

No update.

90/21 To accept the resignation of Cllr Geoff Parkinson and note the casual vacancy.

The resignation was noted and accepted.

91/21 To consider the work package and costings of hedge cutting.

The hedge cutting is completed by Burrows annually.

92/21 Reports and correspondence received (reference only - councillors are asked to submit any reports or correspondence to the clerk before the meeting).

The grant application for the teen shelter has been successful. The parish council would like to thank Cllr Leak for all the work on completing the application and supplying the required information.

93/21 Date and time of the next meeting.

Monday 5th July at 7pm (venue /zoom meeting to be confirmed).

The meeting closed at 9.26pm