Bolton le Sands Parish Council

Minutes of the parish council meeting held on Monday 5th September 2022 at 7pm at the Old Free Grammar School, Bolton le Sands.

Present: Cllr Bolton, Cllr Bowman, Cllr Kitching, Cllr Fothergill, Cllr Leak, Cllr Wilson and Cllr Parkinson.

Gill Mason - clerk.

Five members of the public.

Open Forum.

The Thwaite Brow representative informed the parish council that the survey of the wood had been completed. A copy of the report will be given to the Canal and River Trust for its adopted area of land. The bat boxes have been installed and the felled Sycamore will be offered to the Vets for firewood.

The representative from the tennis club reported that the surface of the courts is not very good, and they have lost players to other clubs that may have floodlights for evening play. An approximate cost of resurfacing the courts is £24,000.00 - £26,000.00 and there maybe grants available but a long term lease would need to be given from the parish council for the club to apply.

The representative from Halton FC Juniors would like to use the parish's football pitch on a Sunday 12-2. There will be grants for repair and maintenance of the pitch which the club will be able to apply for. The club will also help with the maintenance and marking of the pitch.

138/22 To receive apologies for absence.

Cllr Archer, Cllr Bell and Cllr Chaplin.

139/22 To receive declarations of interests and consider & approve dispensations.

Cllr Leak, Cllr Parkinson and Cllr Bolton declared an interest in any item referring to the bowling club.

140/22 To consider and approve the minutes of the parish council meeting held on Monday 1st August 2022.

It was resolved that the minutes be signed and approved by the vice chair.

Proposed by Cllr Bolton.

Seconded by Cllr Bowman.

141/22 To receive the report from the lengthsman.

The report was received and circulated prior to the meeting. No issues raised.

142/22 Finance.

To consider and approve the following items for payment.

Cheque	M Ashton	Village Contractor/ Lengthsman	£1085.00		
Cheque	G Mason Clerk	Wages & Expenses £797/£15 expenses	£812.00		
Cheque	A Swindlehurst	Greens maintenance	£200.00		
Cheque	BLS Village Hall	Invoice for utilities	£39.74		
DD	ICO	Subscription	£30.00		
Cheque	Jon Oliver	Arborculturist - Thwaite Brow Wood	£200.00		
Cheque	Leander	Bronze Sword	£1659.00		

It was resolved that the payments be made.

Proposed by Cllr Leak.

Seconded by Cllr Fothergill.

143/22 Planning matters & applications.

22/01081/FUL Proposal: Demolition of existing conservatory and erection of a single storey rear extension and construction of a raised terrace with steps. Site Address: 7 Ancliffe Lane, Bolton Le Sands, Carnforth, Lancashire, LA5 8DS.

The parish council has no observations.

144/22 To consider the update on the new football teams.

It was resolved that the two clubs that will be utilising the football pitch for training and matches will be Halton FC Juniors and Hest Bank FC.

Proposed by Cllr Fothergill.

Seconded by Cllr Bowman.

The clerk and Cllr Bowman will enquire with the FA and other local clubs as to what fees should be charged for the use of the pitch.

145/22 To consider the update from the bowling club, the management of the facilities and the winter permit sales.

This item will be deferred to the next meeting.

146/22 To consider the update of the project and the collection of plastic bottles.

Cllr Wilson will enquire whether there is another project that could utilise the collection of plastic bottles before they are recycled.

147/22 To consider the website updates and the parish council committees.

Cllr Chaplin is updating the website. The committees and working groups will be listed on the website.

148/22 To consider the request for further filming of The Bay at The Shore.

It was resolved that the parish council give permission for filming at The Shore.

Proposed by Cllr Bolton.

Seconded by Cllr Fothergill.

149/22 To consider the request for access to the CCTV cupboard from the Community Centre Committee.

It was resolved that the parish council give permission for the cupboard to be accessed and that the CCTV app be placed on the clerk's mobile phone for remote access.

Cllr Wilson will check if the CCTV needs resetting after the power has been turned off and whether the camera needs re-siting on the building. A budget of £100 was authorised by the parish council for any call out charges that may be incurred.

Proposed by Cllr Parkinson.

Seconded by Cllr Leak.

150/22 To consider the proposal of the parish council's bank account moving to Unity online banking.

It was resolved that the parish council move the account to Unity and Cllr Bell, Cllr Archer, Cllr Bolton and Cllr Parkinson are signatories.

Proposed by Cllr Bolton.

Seconded by Cllr Parkinson.

151/22 To consider the request for tree planting on the parish recreation area.

The parish council does not have any land that can be utilised for tree planting but will contact the resident with a list of potential sites for her to enquire about.

152/22 To consider the request for the top green to be used for winter bowling.

It was resolved that the parish council give permission for the winter bowling competitions.

Proposed by Cllr Bowman.

Seconded by Cllr Kitching.

153/22 To consider the update from the sports pavilion committee.

The committee members reported that they had looked at areas of improvement within the pavilion. The football pitch will be unavailable on the 5th, 6th and 12th of November.

The pavilion booking secretary would like to know in advance who will be using the pitch before she is contacted by them.

The clerk will enquire what is needed for the lengthsman to complete the legionnaires checks on the building.

154/22 Reports and correspondence received (reference only - councillors are asked to submit any reports or correspondence to the clerk before the meeting).

- Thwaite Brow Wood arborculturist report noted.
- Bronze Sword delivery noted.
- Fallen Tree at Thwaite Brow noted.
- Bonfire and firework update noted.

155/22	Date and	time of the	e next meeting
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Monday 3rd October 2022 at 7pm.

The meeting closed at 9.07pm.	Signed	.Date
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