Bolton le Sands Parish Council

Minutes of the parish council meeting held on Monday 6th January 2025 at 7pm at the Old Free Grammar School, Bolton le Sands.

Present: Cllr Bell (Chair), Cllr. Archer (Vice), Cllr Budden, Cllr. Kitching, Cllr. Leak, Cllr. R Taylor, Cllr. Allison & Cllr. Pinder.

Open Forum.

182/25 To receive apologies for absence.
Cllr. L Taylor - no apologies received.

183/25 To receive declarations of interests and consider & approve dispensations.
Cllr. Budden. Playschool grant. Clerk to contact the Playschool.

184/25 To consider and approve the minutes of the Parish council meeting held on Monday 2nd December 2024. Duly altered to include apologies from Cllr Chaplin.
Approved by Cllr. Archer. **2nd Proposer** Cllr Allison.

185/25 To receive the report from the Lengthsman and consider works to be completed.
Proposed:

- Tarmac-Awaiting 2 quotes for tarmac repair. Ongoing.
- The Bus shelter opposite the Royal Hotel to tidy, repair and paint.
- BLS Council over night parking notice to be re-positioned on the Shore (to liaise with Cllr Archer).
- Tennis court. To replace the mesh on the gate. To clear the drain and general tidy up. To repaint the tennis lines.
- Clear the path leading to the Primary School from Packet Lane.
- Bus shelter opposite Ricky's to clean inside and outside. The concrete shelters to disinfect and clean inside.
- Cinder path bench, to price up for replacement of the wood.

186/25 Environmental and village maintenance.

- Tennis court resurfacing. Cllr Leak liaising with Martin Gowith. 2 quotes provided. To defer to the next meeting.
- Tree alongside the Bowling Green & the tree on the land by the Community Centre car-park - possible Ash die back. Awaiting quotes.
- The Electricity sub station at St Michaels. Clerk to report as not cut back enough.
- Cinder path bench - Cllr. Budden to request a reference number for the bench.
- Bowling Green hedge, to reduce the height to the zip wire. A quote has been received from R Burrow. **Proposed** - Cllr. Allinson **2nd Proposer** Cllr. Bell.

187/25 Finance.
To consider and approve the following items for payment.

Cheque	M Ashton	Lengthsman Wages	£ 499.97
Cheque	Kim C Bennett	Wages £919.36 Mobile tariff £6.00. (Outlook-£12.36 - retrospective). A4 pockets £2.70	£964.27
Cheque	Kim C Bennett	PAYE Employers	£16.24
Cheque	Bolton-le-Sands Village Hall	Invoice for Utilities	£ 150.46

Cheque	Travis Perkins	Materials – Play area	£18.40
Cheque	Westcoast Glass	Pane of glass - bus shelter	£135.00

Retrospective payments.
Clerk - Outlook £12.36
Little Engineering - Playground repairs. £243.00

To consider and approve the Precept for 2025/2026. It was resolved that the tax base be increased by 15% for 2025/2026 Precept**.** Cllr. Budden abstained from voting.
Proposed - Cllr. Leak. **2nd Proposer** - Cllr. Allinson.

188/25 Planning matters & applications.
24/01244/FUL The Orchard, Bolton le Sands. Notification of amendment. Response required by 6th January 2025.

189/25 To consider -

- **Highways New Builds Parking. Cllr Kitchen.** Double yellow lines request. Cllr Budden to make enquiries. Clerk to make further enquiries.

190/25 Updates on Village parking and Traffic issues. Cllr R Taylor reported the following:-
Parking and Traffic Issues: The council discussed ongoing safety concerns near the primary school, particularly along Main Road and Packet Lane, due to persistent parking and traffic problems. The Parish Council resolved to publish a summary of issues and actions to inform residents and will continue collaborating with the school, Highways, and other stakeholders to identify long-term solutions.

191/25 Reports and Correspondence received.

- GALA - Ongoing. Advised which documentation is required.
- Firework display. Correspondence received raising concerns which the Council have taken into consideration. A letter was asked to be delivered to the secretary of the Firework Committee.
- CCTV- To replace 1 camera and a new cabinet to house the CCTV equipment.
- To request a sweep clean of Mount Pleasant Lane. Clerk to report.
- Traffic Concerns G Parkinson. Re volume of traffic on St Michaels Lane. Requesting for calming measures to be put in place, a slow down notice and a give way sign. Clerk to report.
- **Proposed** - Cllr. Leak. **2nd Proposer** - Cllr. R Taylor.

192/25. Councillors to review:-
1. Budget costings for 2025/2026. (Discussed under Finance).
2. Copies of the current Standing orders and Code of Conduct to be reviewed at the next meeting. Financial regulations to be reviewed by Cllr Bell and the Clerk for the next Council meeting.

193/25 Date and time of the next meeting.
Monday 3rd February 2025 at 7pm.

Signed……..……...Date……..
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