

Bolton le Sands Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 3rd March 2025 at 7pm at the Old Free Grammar School, Bolton le Sands.

Present: Cllr Bell (Chair), Cllr Budden, Cllr. Kitching, Cllr. Leak, Cllr Chaplin, Cllr. R Taylor, Cllr. Allison, & Cllr Morley.

Open Forum.

206/25 To receive apologies for absence. Cllr Archer & Cllr Pinder.

207/25 To receive declarations of interests and consider & approve dispensations.

213/25 Cllr. Budden Playschool grant.

210/25 Cllr. Leak. Tree at the Bowling Club Green

208/25 To consider and approve the minutes of the Parish council meeting held on Monday 3rd February 2025.

Approved by Cllr. Chaplin. **2nd Proposer** Cllr Allison.

209/25 To receive the report from the Lengthsman and consider works to be completed.

Proposed:

- The Bus shelter opposite the Royal Hotel and opposite Ricky's to stain and paint the woodwork.
- Tennis court. To clear the drain and general tidy up. To repaint the tennis lines.
- Cinder path bench - repairs to be made to the bench.
- Coastal Road bench - to remove the ivy surrounding the bench.
- Pinfold - clear the Ivy. Cllr Morley offered his apprentice to help with the task.

210/25 Environmental and village maintenance.

- Tennis court resurfacing. The Parish Council proposed paying half of the costs (Cllr Budden abstained from voting). A Business plan required from the Tennis Club. A Lease agreement to be arranged. Cllr Leak to update.
- Tree alongside the Bowling Green (The Bowling Club & The Old Boys Grammar School agreed to a contribution towards the cost). The tree on the land by the Community Centre car-park to be trimmed. Agreed for the work to proceed.
- Tarmac quote agreed and for the work to commence.

Proposed - Cllr. Kitching **2nd Proposer** Cllr. Allinson

211/25 Finance.

To consider and approve the following items for payment.

Cheque	M Ashton	Lengthsman Wages - carried over to next months wages.	
Cheque	Kim C Bennett	Wages £919.36 (Feb) Mobile tariff £6.00 Giffgaff. Outlook-£12.36	£937.72
Cheque	Kim C Bennett	PAYE Employers	£17.27
Cheque	Bolton-le-Sands Village Hall	Invoice for Utilities	£63.04
Cheque	Travis Perkins	Materials – Play area	£73.33

Retrospective payments.

1. Fire Fighters Charity - Donation £100.00.

2. IDA Alarm systems & Electrical contractors £114.00 (Disabled toilet Community Centre).

3. NOTE - The Clerk noted the following payments should be on the December Minutes as Retrospective payments:-

G W Shelter Solutions £16.92, Rec No 72. Zurich Insurance £65.31, Rec No 73. Clerk Mrs K C Bennett, back pay £282.24, Rec No 74. Armstrong Garden Machinery £400.84, Rec No 75.

4. Clerks Annual Increment of Salary from Scale 7 to 8 to commence in March.

Proposed - Cllr. Leak. **2nd Proposer** - Cllr. Allinson.

212/25 Planning matters & applications.

07.02.25 - 25/00079/FU L- 5 Cherry Tree Close. Response required before the 28 February 2025.

06.02.25 - Tree Application No. 25/0022/TPO Proposal : T1 Willow 20% reduction and thin. T2 Sycamore remove 2 lowest branches. T3 Maple 20% reduction and thin : Mr Mark Chenery. Site Address : Flat 1, 119 Main Road, Bolton Le Sands, Carnforth, Lancashire LA5 8DX.

05.02.2025 25/0001/TCALand Between 4 Cavendish Court And 81A Main Road Bolton le Sands. Mrs Mandy Batty. TPO x 5 Alder trees - fell.

213/25 To consider -

- Management plan - Lenghtsman. Agreed
- Playschool Grant awaiting a response.
- Internal Auditor to proceed with Annual Audit - Malcolm Richardson.
- Finace update - Santander - ongoing. Natwest online banking to commence asap.
- Meeting with Chair - yearly accounts inspection.
- Request from The Bowling Club to erect a Scoring/spectator/wheel chair friendly shelter on the School Croft side of the main Bowling Green. To confirm the measurements and that no planning permission required.
- Request for a Memorial Bench on the Shore. To replace an exisiting bench that needs removing. Site visit to be arranged.

Proposed - Cllr Allison. **2nd Proposer** - Cllr Morley.

214/25 Updates on Village parking and Traffic issues.

Following the site meeting that was held on the 27th February re the ongoing issues concerning the traffic at School during drop off and pick up times.

The purpose of this meeting was to highlight the current problems, potential solutions, and necessary actions with representatives from the Police, Lancashire County Council Highways, Lancaster City Council and BLS Parish Council. Numerous suggestions were put forward by the attendees and LCC Highways are due to respond with a summary of potential next steps.

Cllr. Robert Taylor will update on progress in the April meeting, and the Parish Council will publish finding on our website in April.

215/25 Reports and Correspondence received.

- Acceptance of new Councillor - Ian Morley.
- Feedback for 2 Applicants - Parish Council casual vacancy. Clerk to respond.
- Thwaite Brow. A reported dead Sycamore. Clerk to contact the proprietor of the field that the tree hangs over.

216/25 Date and time of the next meeting.

Monday 7th April 2025 at 7pm.

Signed.....Date.....

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