



**MINUTES OF
KIRKLAND PARISH COUNCIL
MEETING**

**Held on 12th November, 2019,
At 7.30pm**

**At Kirkland and Catterall Memorial Hall
The Avenue, Churchtown**

Present;

*Kirkland Parish Council: Mrs. M. McLeod, Chairman,
Mrs. K. Davies,
C. Lambert,
Gillian Benson, Clerk to the Parish Council
Wyre Councillor Catterall
Wyre Councillor Cartridge*

1133. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received for this meeting from Cllr. Mrs. S. Hogg.

1134. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Councillors were asked to disclose any interests on matters to be considered at this meeting and reminded to update changes in their interests within 28 days.

1135. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Resolved: The minutes of the meeting held on 26th September, 2019; being previously circulated were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

1136. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public were present.

Wyre Councillors

Cllr. Cartridge reported on investigations with Church Square following the theft of stone flags. Redevelopment of the square was undertaken by Wyre Council through a Millennium grant; however the landowner cannot be identified at present. Cllr. Cartridge is to pursue the matter with Wyre Council.

Cllr. Mrs. S. Catterall congratulated Churchtown in Bloom on their Gold Award for the best small village and best newcomer.

1137. PROTECTION OF THE EMBANKMENT AT THE REAR OF ST. HELEN'S CHURCH

Following the removal of a protective fence used during construction of the Churchtown Bund; Cllr. Mrs. S. Hogg asked Councillors to consider providing protection on the top with the instillation of meshing. The matter was discussed with reports of vehicle tyre track damage by the Environment Agency when grass was cut in bad weather. Public Footpath number 8 is routed along the top of the embankment. The embankment forms part of Churchtown's flood defences; yet is open to possible erosion from walkers and should therefore be strengthened. The Chairman contacted Wyre Rangers for assistance.

Resolved: To contact the Environment Agency asking for strengthening of the embankment as it is part of the public footpaths in Kirkland.

1138. IMPACT OF 14 PLANNING DEVELOPMENTS ON FLOODING CHURCHTOWN

Cllr. Mrs. S. Hogg wished to raise the 14 recent granted developments in the Wyre Local Plan; these will drain into the Wyre and Ainspool, both rivers pose a flooding treat to Churchtown.

Resolved: Contact Lancashire County Council; as the lead water authority and Wyre Council as planning authority and reiterate the urgent need for a SUDS management scheme on all major planning permissions, to ensure these developments do not contribute to the local flooding problems

1139. PARKING ON THE GREEN

Cllr. Mrs. K. Davies raised parking problems at the junction of The Green, the A586 and outside the Horns Inn and Councillors agreed. At school times the parking on both sides of The Green creates a bottleneck for residents. There were suggestions of bollards and yellow lines running from the red triangle school sign to where the road meets the A586. The parking endangers the children being picked up or dropped off, local residents who cannot use the pavement and would prevent emergency vehicles accessing the village. However, Churchtown is a conservation area and any traffic calming would need to be introduced by Lancashire County Council.

Resolved: Contact Lancashire County Council and Wyre Council about the parking dangers asking for suggestions to the obvious problem.

1140. A GATE FOR OWD WILLS

Following extensive improvement work by Churchtown in Bloom; Cllr. Mrs. K. Davies is concerned about safety between Owd Wills and the A586. There is no barrier to give consideration before possibly running out onto the very busy main road, could be a dog or a child. The Parish Council considered the provision of a staggered barrier to improve the safety of the entrance to Owd Wills from the A586; timber can be provided by In Bloom.

Resolved: To contact Lancashire County Council on safety grounds for the installation of a barrier.

1141. CHURCHTOWN IN BLOOM

The committee were congratulated on the recent North West in Bloom awards for best new comer and gold in the small village category. Churchtown in Bloom Committee is appealing for a contribution towards providing Winter planting in the parish owned planters and the Bloomers will do the planting.

Resolved: Kirkland Parish Council will pay for Winter planting in the Parish Council planters.

1142. FLOOD WARNING SIGNS

Cllr. Mrs. M. McLeod asked the Parish Council to consider the purchase of bollards and flood warning signs to be used near the properties on The Avenue where the surface water gathers in heavy rain?

Resolved: Further enquiries will be made as to costs and presented prior to the budget decision in January.

1143. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**Granted Planning Applications:***19/00810/FUL*

Proposal: Variation of condition 3 on planning application 18/001184/FUL relating to the timing of the demolition of the existing dwelling (resubmission of 19/00553/FUL)

Location: Butlers Arms Farm, 14 Garstang by Pass Road, Churchtown

Discharge of planning conditions approved:*18/01184/DIS*

Proposal: Agreement of details of conditions 08 (gas protection measures) and 15 (biodiversity mitigation) on application 18/01184/FUL

Location: Butlers Arms Farm, 14 Garstang by Pass Road, Churchtown

Planning applications**Councillors commented.***19/00982/FULMAJ*

Proposal: Erection of new golf driving range (D2), incorporating driving range building, golf buggy parking area and safety netting (resubmission of 18/00971/FULMAJ)

Location: Garstang Country Hotel and Golf Club Garstang Road Bowgreave

Resolved: The Parish Council has no objections to this planning application; request a planning condition for use of permeable drive materials.

19/01085/COUPA

Proposal: Notification for prior approval for change of use of premises from Class B1(c) (light industry) to 3 dwellings (Class C3) under schedule 2, part 3, class PA

Location: Former Kirkland Smithy A6 by Pass Road Churchtown

Resolved: The Parish Council objects to this planning application and seeks neighbourhood notification. Dangerous access onto the A6, not in Wyre's Local Plan, in Flood Zone 3 and 3 feet of water during Storm Desmond.

19/01027/FUL

Proposal: Proposed car park barrier on the entrance to car park

Location: St Helen's Church Of England Church Street Churchtown

Resolved: The Parish Council has no objection in principle; request the barrier to be sympathetic to the heritage of Churchtown conservation area and St. Helen's church gates

1144. FINANCE**Donation to Royal British Legion**

Councillors are asked to consider a donation towards the work of the Royal British Legion and the Chairman laid a poppy wreath in St. Helens on Remembrance Sunday.

Resolved: To donate £50 to the work of the Royal British Legion

Draft Budget for 2020 – 2021

The budget gives Councillors the best idea for setting the precept; which is returned to Wyre Council in January. The draft budget was presented to Councillors; who were asked to put forward costed projects/work to be carried out by the Parish Council next year.

Resolved: A number of possible items were raised to be considered in January.

Accounts, bank reconciliation, internal scrutiny reports to 31st October, 2019*Resolved; Councillors scrutinised, agreed and signed the accounts.***Financial Statement for second quarter to 30th September, 2019***Resolved; Councillors scrutinised and agreed to the second financial statement.*

Receipts since the last meeting:

1. Bank Interest for September	£ 1.74	
2. Catterall Parish Council	£ 99.00	Subscriptions
3. Pilling Parish Council	£ 99.00	Subscriptions

Please note payments for the Churchtown Flood Group are from funding and payments for Churchtown in Bloom are from sponsorship and not Kirkland Parish Council, who is administering these funds.

<i>Councillors resolved to pay the following invoices:</i>			
Cheque	Payable to	Amount	Reference
799	Catterall Parish Council	£903.46	Grounds main., stain and brushes
800	Mrs. K. Davies	£ 60.00	North West in Bloom tickets
801	Royal British Legion	£ 50.00	Donation
803	Parish Magazine Printing	£ 35.00	Kirkland Newsletter
804	Mrs. K. Davies	£ 59.94	Churchtown in Bloom
	Total	£1,108.40	

Standing Orders and Direct Debits

Staff Costs (September and October)	£465.63	
Easy Web Sites	£ 27.60	October
Easy Web Sites	£ 27.60	November

1145. VERBAL REPORTS FOR INFORMATION ONLY**Report from the representative on Kirkland Memorial Hall**

Cllr. Mrs. M. McLeod reported on the recent AGM with Mrs. Singleton remaining Chairman and Mrs. Walmsley as treasurer. The hire rate of the hall is to increase, the accounts are reasonable and the hall is getting used during the day more often. The car park is to be skimmed to improve the surface.

Wyre Area Lancashire Association of Local Councils

Cllr. Mrs. M. McLeod reported on the new 5 year plan for public health for Lancashire and South Cumbria; given by the director about local networks linking together to align services to meet patients' needs from NHS, GPs, Children's Services, Police, Fire Service and local organisations; offering more responsive services. Lancashire has 41 Primary Care Networks.

Police Sergeant Guy Hamlett said the police are problem solving through intelligence gathering and they are to be more visible. He asked that residents use the online reporting system.

Mark Broadhurst, Wyre Council reported Wyre is hosting integrated teams for residents, running a charity lottery from January, 2020 and red wheelie bins will be used from 1st April to replace the green boxes.

Report from Churchtown Flood Action Group / Wyre's Flood Forum

Cllr. Mrs. Hogg sent a report: accompanied by representatives from St Michaels and South Lancaster Flags, she was invited to Parliament, to the Launch of the Flood Manifesto that

Churchtown FLAG had contributed to. It was in the company of Emma Howard Boyd, Chairman of the Environment Agency and Rachel Maskell, Shadow Environment Minister. I was able to hand them both details of the situation in Lancashire and the reality of living with the threat of flooding.

Churchtown in Bloom

Cllr. Mrs. K. Davies reported that the work continues in the village and noted they had been lucky this year with generous sponsors and supporters. The committee is running community events to bring people together rather than as fundraisers. A recent Halloween evening was well attended and a children's Christmas story event is ongoing. They wish to get the community and Kirkland and Catterall St. Helen's Church of England Primary School involved. The Churchtown in Bloom AGM is next week.

1146. QUESTIONS FOR COUNCILLORS

Christmas Tree Switch-on

To take place on the Green on 5th December at 5.15, the same evening as Kirkland and Catterall St. Helen's Church of England Primary School Christmas Fair. Festival Queen Chrissie Tripney will switch on the lights introduced by the Chairman.

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.40pm.

Date

Chairman