OVERTON PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting

Minutes of the Meeting of Overton Parish Council held in Overton Memorial Hall on Monday

17th April 2023 at 7.00pm

Parish Councillors Present:

J Higginson - Chairman

S Ayrey - Vice Chair

J Dean P Fleming D Hamer S Bargh

Also Present:

C Mashiter - Clerk

J Easthope - Head Teacher St Helen's School

J Jackson - PCSO P Winder - PCSO

Apologies: D Edmondson

The Chairman welcomed those in attendance and opened the meeting at 7pm

23-74 Open Section for members of the public to speak

Special Item -

Traffic Issues in the village commenced at 7.15pm

J Easthope, head teacher highlighted the present issues of double parking and reckless overtaking outside school more especially at the start of the school day and the Education Authority say a crossing patrol attendant is not a priority at this location. It is not the responsibility of school staff to monitor road crossing and also before the commencement of the school day staff are engaged in preparing for the arrival of the children. There had been one or two instances of children almost being injured by reckless drivers and all concerned felt that there needs to be something done before something more serious happens.

Clerk

Authorised

J Higginson Chairman

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	The Parish Council had already looked into various speed signs for the village to enhance the ones they already had but prior to the meeting details of a new flashing sign had been received which will be followed up. The PCSO's were asked if it was possible for them to trial a zebra crossing as the County Council state that we are not a priority in this respect. PCSO John Jackson advised the Parish Council that he would do all that he could to help in this matter and requested that the Parish Council write to the Patrol Force and request a police patrol between 8.15am and 8.45am and again between 2.30pm and 3pm. He was prepared to alter his shift pattern to facilitate this if it was approved by his superiors and suggested that this might only be on a random basis as it was dependant on there being no other incidents in the area at the time. He also advised that we sign up to Lancashire Talking, a rapid information service and look at Op Snap on the Lancashire Constabulary site as this contained relevant information and infringement footage could be downloaded to this site from where it would be monitored. PCSO Jackson suggested that a choice of a flashing Speed Sign would be most effective and we should let him know of our choice as there maybe funding that he could access to assist with the purchase. This section of the meeting closed at 8pm	Clerk
23-75	Minutes of the previous meeting The minutes of the meeting of Overton Parish Council on Monday 13 th March 2023 were received and approved for signature by the Chairman	
23-76	Matters arising from the minutes There were no matters arising from the minutes.	
23-77	Village Christmas Tree A quote for the new socket was yet to be received from John Christian electricians. Time 4 Nursery had still not replied to previous correspondence. The clerk suggested that a payment be made to them of say £20 as a good will gesture and this would clear the matter. This was approved by all councillors	Clerk
23-78	Lancaster Road Development – Section 106 Update Nothing to report	
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23-80	Defibrillators - Update All three Overton Parish Council Defibrillators are Emergency Ready. A new battery had been received and fitted to the defibrillator outside the church. The responsibility for monitoring the Memorial Hall Defibrillator will be handed to will Cllr. Dave Hamer within	
	the week. The Circuit to be informed.	Clerk
23-81	Green Team During Dave Edmondson's sick leave arrangements have been made by him for Mel Barker to mow Blue Potts and Paul Byrne to mow Trailholme banking. Any other ad hoc jobs will be dealt with appropriately as they arise. J. Higginson and/or D. Hamer to be notified in the first instance The debris in Trailholme wood has been cleared by the Scout Leaders. The new picnic bench is ready to be sited within the week.	Clerk
23-82	Grants and Donations No applications received	
23-83	Grounds Maintenance. A licence for Kersey Meadow is in the process of being prepared by BSG Solicitors. Terms of Business and Charges were approved. The clerk to sign them	Clerk
23-84	Playground Inspection, Maintenance and Safety Issues Nothing has been received from the City Council about the inspection and cost of repairs in the playground. J Higginson suggested that the clerk make enquiries about the cost and availability of a new bolt for the gate and large bolts for the swings from the manufacturers.	
23- 85	Road Maintenance, Cleansing and Safety The boundary sign for Overton on Middleton Road has gone missing. The highways department to be informed.	
23- 86	SpID Sign A flyer for a flashing road sign has been received from Elan. Following on from the earlier discussions on traffic control it was agreed to be follow up on this option	Clerk

23-87	Definitive Map Modification Orders – Moss Lane & First Terrace Nothing new to report	
23-88	Planning 23/002342/FUL – additional works to 7a First Terrace Sunderland Point No Objections 23/00235/PLDC – Lucerne, Chapel Lane, Overton – construction of external walls and a canopy No Objections	
	23/00383/PLDC – Six Acres, Trailholme Lane, Overton – Erection of a single storey, rear extension No Objections 23/00404/NMA – 2 Main Street, Overton – Amendment to original planning permission No Objections	
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23-90	Sunderland Point Toilets – Electricity Supply Contract E-on have intimated that an energy discount scheme is to replace the existing relief scheme, Further details to follow	
23-91	Overton Flag Flags purchased and ready to fly. Coronation during May, Pride during June	Clerk
23-92	Website Copy for the website still needed for the home page and the parish council page about the work of the council. Ideas to be forwarded to J. Dean. The clerk is still experiencing 'not responding' messages on the computer. Some files have converted to WPS files which the system won't open as they have some connection to a Microsoft application. A message has been received from Microsoft stating that the licence has expired and it will cost £9.40/month for renewal. It was suggested that a new computer with Microsoft 365 installed should be purchased as the existing laptop is now quite old. The clerk to 17.94investigate the best deals available.	Clerk

3-93	Finances With this year's precept the current account we excess of £35K. As there is now a better rate being paid on the reserve account the clerk sua proportion should be moved to the reserve to move £20K across for the time being. Should arise it would be easy enough to move some tourrent.	of interest aggested that It was agreed Id the need
	Accounts for payment 01.	
	CM Mashiter – Clerk's salary Mar 2023 Less PAYE tax Salary payable	£ 44.00
	Plus Expenses 02. The Flag Shop flags 17.94 03. Stapleoffice Ltd stationery 8.90 04. Amazon stationery 6.09 05. Amazon stationery 13.39 06. Medtree defib battery 346.90	£403.22
	07. HMRC PAYE Tax	£44.00
	08. TECC Ltd Website	£151.19
	09. Zurich Municipal Insurance	£1792.67
	10. Water Plus – S/P Toilets 21/02/23 to 20/03/23	£9.50
	11. LALC Membership	£202.55
	12. CommuniCorp - Local Council Updates	£110.00
	13. E-on £36.62 less bal. of credit rec'd Vat	£19.23 .32

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	14. PWLB Lending Bowling Green £332.14	
	TOTAL £3283.32	
	Resolved: Accounts be paid as presented.	
23-94	Correspondence	
	No other correspondence	!
23-95	Annual Parish Assembly	
	The date for the Annual Parish Assembly was agreed as Wednesday May 10 th at 6.30pm	
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