**OVERTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**Meeting**

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

Monday 11th March 2024 at 7.00pm

**Parish Councillors Present:** J Higginson

S Ayrey

D Hamer

P Fleming

D Edmondson

**Also Present:** C Mashiter – Clerk

4 members of the public

**Apologies:** S Bargh

J Dean

The meeting opened at 7pm

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| **24-025** | **Dispensations and Declarations of Interest** - None. |  |
| **24-026** | **Open Section for Public to Speak**  Attention was drawn to the state of the Public Footpath between the corner of Middleton Road, near Lades Pool Bridge, that leads to the footbridge on Pedder Road. Due to running water from a hose pipe, being laid across the footpath, it had become a mud bath and considered impassable, unless wellington boots or similar were being worn. Foul water was also being pumped across the footpath into the water course from stables on that land  Whilst this is a County matter and not a Parish one, the Parish Council would contact the involved agencies on this. | **Clerk** |
| **24-027** | **Minutes of Previous Meeting**  February meeting minutes previously circulated were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman. |  |
| **24-028** | **Updates and Progress from Previous Meeting**  Replacement of the cattle grid – Ongoing  Hawthorn Hedge planting on Trailholme Road – Ongoing  S/Pt toilet block electrical work on hold pending renewal of lease. John Christian Electricians notified.  All regular service jobs relating to the toilet block have now been allocated.  The contact for replacement of consumables is Janet Brokenshire. It was noted that chemicals used must be environmental friendly as this waste discharges to a septic tank. To be progressed further.  Replacement defibrillator pads had been ordered.  Barton Grange Garden Centre no longer provide a Christmas Tree service. This part of their business has been sold. Other providers to be sourced.  Parish Council Forum power point noted have been received.  Nothing to report on Scout Group involvement with planting pots etc. Senior Scout Leaders not available at present.  **Separate Agenda Item** – Kersey Meadows update. | **Clerk**  **Clerk**  **Clerk** |
| **24-029** | **Governance -** Standing Order model still ongoing. | **Clerk** |
| **24-030** | **Finance**  £1957.44 had been transferred from the reserve account to the current account to cover the cost of the chairs which have been received and are in use.  Permission was granted to purchase stationery supplies at a cost of approximately £35 plus vat. | **Clerk** |
| **24-031** | **Payments**  B E Furniture Ltd Chairs 1631.20  VAT 326.24 1957.44  C.Mashiter Salary 230.70  Postage 8.75  Mobile Phone 14.00  11.67  Vat 2.33 253.45  HMRC PAYE 57.80  Imperative Training Ltd  Defibrillator Pads 155.00  Vat 31.00 186.00  Water PlusLtd S/Pt Toilets 14.30    E On Next Electricity 30.62  S/Pt Toilets Vat 1.53 32.15  **TOTAL PAYMENTS £2501.14**  **\*confirmation of earlier payment.** | ***Clerk*** |
| **24-032** | **Training** Non Booked |  |
| **24-033** | **Planning**  24/00138/FUL Erection of detached outbuilding on land east of Annie’s Barn, Yenham Lane, Overton for Mr and Mrs Dobson. **No Objections**  24/00205/NMA Non material amendment to planning permission, 23/01038/FUL, to change the finish of the Garage from stone to roughcast render and for revision to the French door/utility room/boot room/bay window configurations at 3 First Terrace. S/Pt. for Mr and Mrs Thompson. **No Objections**  24/00267/FUL Retrospective application for alterations to approved storage building at 60 Lancaster Road for Mr J Reay. **No Objections** | **Clerk**  **Clerk**  **Clerk** |
| **24-034** | **Parish Matters**  **Play Park** - A price had been received from Streetscape for replacing the mats, under certain items of equipment and overlaying them with bonded rubber. The cost was £100m2  This was considered to be too expensive.  Seeding is an alternative but it would mean making the effected equipment out of bounds until the grass has grown.  On hold pending other considerations  Discussion took place on re-modelling the play park to provide a dedicated ball play area. This could be accomplished by relocating the overhead rotator and the Froggo Bin. Prices for a ball court to be looked into and the possibility of funding for this from a Crowd Funding application.  **Kersey Meadow**  A Termination Notice had been sent  Mr Preston requesting that he vacate the land by March 19th at the latest. The tracking system didn’t show that it had been delivered. No payments had been received. After discussion on various courses of action It was decided that Cllr Jonathan Higginson hand deliver a copy of the letter to Mr Preston.  In anticipation of the field being vacated it was considered that the land would need putting into good order. Prices to be obtained from contractors for ploughing, re-seeding and eradication of ragwort. Suggested contractor John Hoyles  Interest in renting the field had been received from Smantha Adamson. A reply had been sent stating that no decision had been made on the future use of the field.  David Edmondson had obtained a price from Tony Holmes, stone mason, of between £200 and £300 to inscribe ‘Overton’ onto a stone to be placed by the flag pole. This was approved An appropriate stone to be scourced. | **Clerk**  **Clerk**  **JH**  **Clerk**  **DE** |
| **23-035** | **Corresepondence**  Lancaster City Council – A condition report on the toilet block had been programmed for March 27th. To be accompanied.  A letter had been received from Lynne Molloy asking if the parish council would consider having an open morning at the Memorial Hall so residents could meet the councillors and find out what the Parish Council does. A reply had been sent informing her that this was the propose of the Annual Parish Assembly held every May. After discussion it was decided that an open morning wouldn’t be held but extra publicity would be put out prior to the APM in the form of laminated notices around the village.  An e-mail from Col John Davies DL concerning Beacon Lighting on June 6th for the 80th Anniversary of D-Day had been received. It was decided that we would not hold a beacon lighting event but would purchase the official flag to be flown from the flag post.  An email had been received from Debbie Tierney requesting that one of the two litter bins on the Globe car park be relocated to the end of Pedder Road and the old rowing boat to be planted with flowers. City Council be asked to provide an additional bin for Pedder Road and Pearson’s Nursery to plant up the boat.  Parish Council Settlement Review. Questionnaire to be completed and returned  There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.20pm  **Date of Next Meeting**  **Monday April 8th 2024 at 7pm in the Supper Room.** | **JH**  **Clerk/PF**  **Clerk**  **Clerk**  **Clerk** |