**OVERTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**Meeting**

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

10th October 2022 at 7.00pm

**Parish Councillors Present:** J Higginson(Chair)

S Ayrey

D Edmondson

P Fleming

D Hamer

J Dean

**Also Present:** D Clarke (Clerk) and 18 members of the public.

**Apologies:** S Bargh

The Chairman welcomed those in attendance and opened the meeting at 7.00 pm.

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| **Item No.** |  | **Action** |
| **22-236** | **Declarations of Interest**  There were no declarations of interest. |  |
| **22-237** | **Dispensations**  There were no requests for dispensation. |  |
| **22-238** | **Open Section for members of the public to speak**  Many of those present at the meeting had expected that a representative of the Lancaster City Council’s dog warden service would attend the meeting to answer questions about noise from dogs, dog mess, dog welfare, the licencing of dog breeding and the town planning and environmental health rules which applied to the breeding of dogs. Unfortunately, the warden was unable to attend.  The parish council will endeavour to arrange a public meeting at which the city council would be represented by the city councillor for Heysham Ward, Andrew Gardiner, the dog warden service, the environmental health service and the planning department.  Ted Levey as a trustee of the Sunderland Point Mission Heritage Centre Trust, spoke in support of Planning Application No: 21/01588/LB and asked the parish council to support it also.  Steph Smith and Steven Loxam, members of the Sunderland Point Conservation Society, asked the parish council to oppose Planning Application No: 21/01588/LB on the grounds that the modifications proposed by the trustees were unnecessary and might cause an increase in the number of visitors to Sunderland Point. They suggested that if the PC supported the application it might find itself liable to a claim from anyone who suffered loss or injury by being caught in the tide whilst attempting to cross the causeway.  Dave Clarke reminded the Conservation Society representatives that on several occasions previously they had claimed to have a plan for the conservation of the Mission Church which the trustees had rejected. They had never disclosed any details of the plan and he suspected that it did not exist. What was plain was that the Sunderland Point Conservation Society was focused on an attempt to prevent any increase in the number of visitors to Sunderland Point, an attempt which was bound to fail.  Bill Morris spoke about the Sunderland Point Community Association’s views on the proposed tidal warning signs.  The association had no objection to the sign proposed for the shore facing side of the existing warning sign at the SP end of the causeway but had reservations about the one proposed for a location closed to the toilet block. The SPCA would give the matter further thought. | **Clerk** |
| **22-239** | **Minutes of the previous meeting**  The minutes of the meeting of Overton Parish Council on Monday 12th September 2022 were received and approved for signature by the Chairman. | **Clerk** |
| **22-240** | **Matters arising from the minutes**  There were no matters arising from the minutes. |  |
| **22-241** | **Coronavirus – Contingency Planning**  There were no changes to current policy. |  |
| **22-242** | **New Clerk**  There were no formal applications for the post but there had been an expression of interest which the clerk would follow up. | **Clerk** |
| **22-243** | **Internal Audit**  Half year Internal Audit due 30 September 2022. Accounts to be sent to Internal Auditor as soon as possible after the 10th October 2022 meeting. | **Clerk** |
| **22-244** | **Annual Estimates 2023-24**  Consideration of draft estimates of the PC’s income and expenditure in 2023-24 normally takes place at the October OPC meeting. Overton’s Council Tax base will be significantly changed by the new houses in Lancaster Road but information on the change has not yet been received from Lancaster City Council. This item will be carried forward to the 14th November 2022 OPC meeting. | **Clerk** |
| **22-245** | **Village Christmas Tree**  **Resolved:** A 12-14ft Nordmann cut Christmas tree will be ordered at an estimated cost of £270 plus VAT. | **Clerk** |
| **22-246** | **Lancaster Road Development – Section 106 update**  There was no report on this item. | **Clerk** |
| **22-247** | **Registration of Parish Council Property**  There was no progress on this item. The PC’s solicitor will be asked to provide an update. | **Clerk** |
| **22-248** | **Defibrillators - Update**  Paediatric pads required for the Memorial Hall defibrillator are subject to supply shortages but will be ordered as soon as the suppliers confirm that they are in stock. Otherwise all PC defibrillators are fully operational. | **Clerk** |
| **22-249** | **Green Team**  The order for a new Glasdon ‘Pembridge’ wheelchair access picnic table for the Trailholme Road picnic area is in hand. | **Clerk** |
| **22-250** | **Grants and Donations**  There were no requests for grants or donations. |  |
| **22-251** | **Grounds Maintenance.**  There was no report on this item. |  |
| **22-252** | **Playground Inspection, maintenance and Safety Issues**  Th access panel to the “Froggo” litterbin has disappeared. Glasdon UK, the manufacturers, will be asked if they can supply a replacement access panel. | **Clerk** |
| **22-253** | **Road Maintenance, Cleansing and Safety**  It was reported that the roadside salt bins had not yet been cleaned out and refilled with fresh salt and sand. Lancashire County Council will be reminded that they had agreed to do this. | **Clerk** |
| **22-254** | **LCC Public Rights of Way – Local Delivery Scheme 2022-23**  A report on work carried out in 2021-22 has been submitted to Lancashire County Council. | **Clerk** |
| **22-255** | **Moss Lane – Definitive Map Modification Order**  There was no report on this item. | **Clerk** |
| **22-256** | **Planning**  **Tree Application No:** 22/0166/PTO. **Proposal:** 3xAsh(T1,T2 and T3) – Fell. **For:** Mr. Travis. **Site Address:** 21A Chapel Lane, Overton, LA3 3HU.  **Resolved:** The Parish Council has no observations to make on this Application.  **Amendment to Application No:** 21/01588/LB. **Proposal:** Listed Building application for internal alterations to provide kitchen and wc including new treatment plant, provision of water supply and ventilation pipes and grills, reset floor levels, works to create ceilings, insulation, new partition doors, architraves, skirting and relocation of wall panel. **For:** Mission Heritage Centre Trust. **Site Address:** Sunderland Point Mission Heritage Centre, The Lane, Sunderland Point Morecambe, LA3 3HS.  **Resolved:** The Parish Council has no objection to this Application. | **Clerk** |
| **22-257** | **Sunderland Point Road – Warning Signs**  It was noted that the Sunderland Point Community Association had no objection to the sign proposed to be fixed to the beach side of the existing warning sign but had reservations about the sign proposed for a location near to the public toilets. The SPCA will give further consideration to the proposed signs and report back. | **Clerk** |
| **22-258** | **Sunderland Point Toilets**  There was no report on this item. |  |
| **22-259** | **Overton Flag**  There was no report on this item. |  |
| **22-260** | **Website**  There was no report on this item. |  |
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| **22-261** | **Accounts for Payment**   1. **DGS Clarke –** Clerk’s salary Sep 22   £229.08  PAYE Tax £ 45.80  Salary payment **£183.28**   1. **HMRC** – PAYE tax **£ 45.80** 2. **Water Plus** – Water charges SP Toilets 21/08/22 to 20/09/22 **£ 27.11** 3. **PWLB** – Half yearly loan repayment by DD on 10/10/22 **£332.14** 4. E.**ON Next** Elec charges SP toilets 01/09/22 to 30/09/22 by DD on or around 18/10/22 £24.80   VAT £ 1.24  **Total £26.04**  **Resolved:** Accounts be paid as presented**.** | **Clerk** |
| **22-262** | **Correspondence**   1. **06/10/22 Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service –** Paper copy of emergency cover review consultation. Response deadline 14/10/22. **Review noted.** | **Clerk** |

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