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MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON AUGUST 7TH, 2023, IN FENCE VILLAGE HALL.

Present: Couns B. Newman, J Hartley, J. Myers, I Hargreaves, K Gardener Boyes, M Ridge, County Coun. H Hartley and two members of the public.

1. Apologies for absence

Couns D Hall and A. Devanney.

2. Declaration of interests

None.

3. Questions from residents

The grass cutting on the bypass was raised again, Coun Newman to discuss the schedule with the contractor. A request was made to cut the hedge from Cuckstool to Greenhead Lane. Coun. Myers to organise.

A query was raised over the slow down sign. This will be moved around the village, volunteers permitting.

Query raised over the council's comments on a planning application concerning Lomeshaye Industrial Estate. No councillor had any concerns.

A plan for a battery storage facility has been submitted in neighbouring Reedley. The council agreed to support the comments of Reedley once they have been sent in.

4 Minutes of the last meeting

These were accepted.

5 Matters arising from minutes

5.1 Bin at The Forest pub

The funding has only just come through for the bin. It will be erected in the next few weeks.

5.2 CCTV in the village

Coun H Hartley had discussed the idea of CCTV in the village with a local expert and a rough estimate of costs for the whole operation would be around £20,000, plus an ongoing cost of £100 a month for logistics. It was agreed Coun Hartley would speak to the police and crime commissioner re grants, with a view to organise a public meeting to gain the view of villagers.

5.4 Pendle Forest Sports Club deeds

Coun Newman and Coun Hargreaves arrange a meeting with a nearby landowner to ensure rights of way on sports club land are being adhered to.No response from the solicitor re the deeds, Coun Ridge to try to resolve.

5.5 Council poster

This will be organised when all councillors can attend.

5.6 Play area planting

The area has been cleared by a local volunteer and Mrs Pam Barton is to organise a planting session with the school children, using the budget of £300.

5.7 Harpers Garden

A thank you bouquet of flowers has been presented to Mrs Roz Stuttard for all her hard work on maintaining the garden.

6 Reports from outside bodies

A request for £5,000 for an environmental project, made to Barrowford and Western Parishes Committee, had been refused. To check if money for a wall project at the Scout HQ has been agreed.

No police report.

7. Correspondence

LCC had sent in details of its local delivery and bio diversity schemes. It was agreed to apply for £300 towards a bio diversity project.

Pendle advised a resident had requested a dog bin at the top of Harpers Lane, but Pendle thinks it is unfeasible. It was agreed to suggest to put up a sign to say there is a bin at the top of Harpers Wood, opposite Heights Lane.

Details of a temporary road closure at Wheatley Lane Road and Harpers Lane for sewer maintenance.

8 Planning

23/0463/HHO – erection of first floor extension to side with balcony and alterations to flat roofs to create pitched roofs to side and rear, Rhoslyn, Wheatley Lane Road – no objections

23/0389/REM PROPOSAL: Approval of Reserved Matters including Layout, Scale, Appearance and Landscaping of Planning Permission 19/0767/OUT. AT: Wheatley Laithe Farm Barrowford Road Fence FOR: Pendle Business Park Ltd. - no comments.

Re the Local Plan, the council agreed (following consultation after the meeting in order to meet the comments deadline)

Old Laund Booth Parish Council welcomes Pendle Council's pledge in the presentation exhibition of the Local Plan 4th edition to:

Protect the best of our natural and historic environment, so it can be enjoyed by future generations.

Promote the recycling of urban land to prevent encroachment into the Green Belt, which helps to ensure that our towns and villages do not merge into one another.

Prioritise the re-use of previously developed land (Brownfield sites) to help reduce the amount of construction on the fields at the edge of our towns and villages (Greenfield sites).

The parish council especially backs the recycling of urban land. Rural villages and open countryside are vital in keeping a borough like Pendle attractive to visitors and investors and villages like Fence are full to capacity and need to be cared for with sensitivity.

The parish council also welcomes plans for sustainability, renewables and bio diversity.

9. Finance

Paid in-

£50, Pendle Forest Sports Club – rent..

Authorised payments were made to:

£435 - Rebecca Hay, clerk's salary and expenses.

£56.48 – LCC, pension contribution for clerk.

£30 – J Myers for flowers for gardening volunteer.

£66.50 – J. Hardwick, lengthsman's salary and expenses.

£220 – PM Shaw, grass cutting at village hall and play area

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10. Any other business

Coun Ridge raised problems of over hanging vegetation on a stretch of Wheatley Lane Road, the clerk to report.

11 Date of next meeting

September 4th, 7 p.m., Fence Village Hall.