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MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 6TH, 2023, IN FENCE VILLAGE HALL.

Present: Counc B. Newman, J. Myers, D Hall, A Devanney, J Hartley, K Gardener Boyes, M Ridge, County Counc H Hartley.

1. Apologies for absence

Coun Hargreaves.

2. Declaration of interests

None.

3. Questions from residents

None.

4 Minutes of the last meeting

These were accepted.

5 Matters arising from minutes

5.1 CCTV in the village

County Counc H Hartley said seven posts would be needed and the total cost of the scheme would be about £25,000, with £125 per month to monitor and maintain. Each camera would need its own SIM card. Coun Hartley to meet with the police and crime commissioner to discuss possible grants for next year. It was agreed to organise a public meeting in January to gauge opinion from residents. Publicity would be via the chairman's Christmas newsletter.

5.2 Pendle Forest Sports Club deeds

Coun Ridge to discuss with the solicitor the next move.

5.3 Council poster

Photographs of all, but one of the councillors have been taken.

5.4 Play area

A retired joiner has agreed to look at the equipment which needs repairing. Work has been done to weed the border and fill with six tonnes of soil and mow and strim the grass.

5.5 Land south of Heights Lane

Pendle's enforcement officer said the planning inspectorate had made their decision and the application to appeal against the Enforcement Notice has been refused.

This means that the enforcement notice stands and the landowner had 1 month's from the date of that decision. This means that compliance must be by November 6th, 2023.

Following on from then, he will carry out a site inspection to determine if there are any non-agricultural structures on this land and if the enforcement notice has been complied with. If there are, he will prepare a file for Pendle's legal team.

6 Reports from outside bodies

No police report. Coun Devanney said a quad bike which had been stolen, was returned.

7. Correspondence

Details of the Remembrance Day service have been sent, Coun Hall to lay the wreath on behalf of the parish council.

Pendle's Local Green Space Assessment public consultation passed on the round robin. The assessment does not affect Old Laund Booth.

8 Planning

Proposed diversion of public footpath FP1315093 at Lomeshaye Industrial Area extension, Churchill Way, Nelson, (R2/14/219) – this diversion already seems to have taken place.

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.
£123.50 – J. Hardwick, lengthsman's salary and expenses/
£1,55.60 – AJH Contracting for work at the play area.
£198 – Fence Village Hall, annual rent.

10 Any other business

Coun Devanney said more power cuts had taken place, with no explanation as to why from Electricity North West.

Coun, Newman discussed a possible plan to extend the car park onto the spare land owned by Pendle Borough Council, behind the village hall. One quote received, two to follow. The long stay of commercial vehicles is to be monitored.

Coun Myers asked whether parish events could be advertised via a council Facebook page. It was agreed to use the village site .

Coun Hall reported a dog bin which needs a new post outside the village hall and asked for access to the play area noticeboard.

Coun Newman to organise a Christmas newsletter to be delivered via the village directory and to include details of the public meeting for CCTV and Christmas party for the elderly. Also to include details of village groups and amenities for new residents.

Coun Hall to organise a Christmas party. The clerk to apply for funding from LCC Parish Council Champions. County Coun Hartley to access extra funding from his LCC grants.

11 Date of next meeting

December 11th, 7 p.m., Fence Village Hall.