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MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON JULY 1ST, 2024, IN FENCE VILLAGE HALL.

Present: Couns J. Myers, B. Newman, A. Devanney, M.Ridge, I Hargreaves, KGardner Boyes and two members of the public.

1. Apologies for absence

Coun D. Hall.

2. Declaration of interests

None.

3. Questions from residents

A request to live stream the parish council meetings was submitted. The council to look into the logistics.

A request to be passed to Pendle to swop the new bin at Old Laund Street with the one at Croft Top Lane as it is bigger and more rubbish is collected there.

4. Minutes of the last meeting

These were accepted.

5 Matters arising from minutes

5.1 Fibre optic poles

The poles are being installed by Voneus in order to build a full fibre broadband network in the village and the firm is to hold community events in the future to give people in the village the chance to ask questions.

5.2 CCTV in the village

Following a request for further information and this being supplied, the item was discussed under press and public excluded.

Crime figures as below had been supplied by the police. The figures show 211 crimes over 5 years and 3 months. This equates to an average of just over 3 crimes per month, or one every ten days. A crime can vary from an assault, to a burglary, harassment, damage.

Looking at the figures below, the police say there is the odd spike in crime, which is normal for any area. But on average it is low on most months.

Row Labels	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Grand Total
January	3	1	4		3	2	13

February	4	1	3	2	4	1	15
March	7	1		6	7	2	23
April	5		1	3	6		15
May	10	2	4	6	4		26
June	2	2	1	3	3		11
July	3	3	1	8	5		20
August	3	3	8	5	2		21
September	8	4	3		3		18
October	5	3	5	4	5		22
November	3	1	2	4	2		12
December	2		1	9	3		15
Grand Total	55	21	33	50	47	5	211

5.3 Pendle Forest Sports Club deeds

Still ongoing.

5.4 Play area

LCC has published its intention to dispose of the land through public notices in the Press and the parish council has applied to have the land long term as part of a community asset plan.

5.5 Barrowford and Western Parishes grant

The grant was refused. The parish council has been turned down for grants for the last two years. Coun Newman has lodged a formal complaint with Pendle.

5.6 Orchard grant

The LCC form for the grant needs detailed information, to be discussed at the next meeting.

5.7 Roadside verge cuts

LCC have confirmed the roadside verge sight lines should be in the three cuts carried out each year and the contractor will be reminded at the next cut on July 15th.

6 Reports from outside bodies

Coun Myers had organised a community drop In to discuss any problems with the police. The turn out had been very low, but issues raised had been dealt with.

7. Correspondence

Public footpath FP1315093 at Churchill Way (extension), Lomeshaye Industrial Estate, public footpath diversion order.

9 Planning

APPLICATION: 24/0370/FUL PROPOSAL: Full: Erection of a manege. AT: Craven Lea Noggarth Road Fence, no objections.

Re land at Heights House, Heights Lane, it was reported that a legal hearing had been held and the owner pleaded guilty and had been fined £891.50. Coun Myers said a large camper van on site was permitted for 56 days to cover the lambing period.

10. Finance

Received: £28.59 – insurance overpayment refund.
£3,250 – precept instalment from Pendle.

Authorised payments were made to:

£460 - Rebecca Hay, clerk's salary and expenses.
£73.87 – LCC pension contribution for clerk
£140 – JR Landscapes for village hall and play area grass cutting.
£45 – J Barritt, PAYE.
£100 – Ink cartridges, printer paper.
£75 – Royal Mail for stamps.
£218.50 – J. Hardwick, three months lengthsman work.

The audit papers had been signed and submitted.

11 Any other business

None.

12 Date of next meeting

August 5th., Fence Village Hall, 7 p.m.