

# **Bolton le Sands Parish Council**

## **Minutes of the parish council meeting held on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2024 at 7pm at the Old Free Grammar School, Bolton le Sands.**

Present: Cllr. Bell (Chair), Cllr. Archer, Cllr. Kitching, Cllr. Budden, Cllr. Leak, Cllr. Chaplin, Cllr. R Taylor, Cllr. L Taylor & Cllr. Allison.

### **Open Forum.**

Peter Bayliss & Ian Birnie representatives from the Community Centre attended the meeting raising 2 matters.

1. A request that the Insurance document for the Community Centre has the Parish Council's name included, which would now be:-  
Bolton le Sands Parish Council Community Centre, this being for Insurance purposes.
2. A request for 3 additional water meters to be put in place to monitor the water for each building, as it has been increasingly difficult to separate the consumption for each one. A quote for a plumber will be arranged to add the additional meters as soon as possible.

### **66/24 To receive apologies for absence.**

None

### **67/24 To receive declarations of interests and consider & approve dispensations.**

Planning. Cllr. Leak. 24/0081/TPO

### **68/24 To consider and approve the minutes of the parish council meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> April 2024.**

It was resolved that the minutes be approved and signed by the Chair.

Proposed by Cllr. Budden

Seconded by Cllr. Archer

### **69/24 To receive the report from the lengthsman and consider works to be completed.**

Ongoing with replacing timber edging and paving repairs at the play area. To refill with sand and cushion-fall with bark.

To place bark chippings on the step area near the Zip Wire.

Additional quotes required to replace the small area of Tarmac that needs replacing on the Community Centre car park.

An additional noticeboard to be attached to the existing legs of the notice board on Bolton Lane for members of the public to advertise local events etc.

Quote required for cleaning of the Bus shelters for next year.

Resurface the swing area with grass mats, also to include the table tennis area. Quotes to be arranged.

Following a report that the swing basket at the play area was unsafe due to the bracket welds being fractured. It was removed immediately and a quote from A little for £250.00 plus VAT to carry out the repairs was obtained. Council agreed that this work needs to be done immediately and approved the cost of the repairs.

Proposed. Cllr. Kitchen. Seconded Cllr. L Taylor.

### **70/24 Environmental and village maintenance.**

Dog Bins. Correspondence from Helen Souter, confirmed that LCC have a schedule in place and are monitoring the situation. Reported that nationwide, bins will be fitted with sensors to indicate when they are full.

St Michael Bridge (No 123) Overhanging tree, to request a report from the Tree surgeon.

Resident's request re-scattering her son's and her own ashes in Thwaite Brow Woods. The Parish Council will provide a letter giving permission for this request.  
 Playground LEF Grant, unsuccessful on this occasion.  
 After a discussion it was decided that the Sports Pavilion to provide their own timer switch for the hot water heater.

#### **71/24 Finance.**

Cheque	M Ashton	Village Contractor/ Lengthsman	£335.00
Cheque	Kim C Bennett	Wages £875.68 Expenses £28.66	£903.67
Cheque	Bolton le Sands Village Hall	Invoice for Utilities	£69.61
Cheque	LALC Subscriptions	Renewal	£653.03
Cheque	Halton Juniors Football	Grant Funding - Mower	1425.00
Cheque	GW Shelter Solutions	Bus Shelter	£7092.00
Cheque	Louise Belcher	Thwaite Brow Insurance	£140.32
Cheque	Bolton-le-Sands Sports & Recreation Pavilion	Reimbursement – Hest BankUnited	£240.00

Proposed by Cllr L Taylor. Seconded by Cllr Budden.

#### **72/24 Planning matters & applications.**

24/00431/Ful Whin Avenue LA5 8DA – 21 days response, before 2 May. Response given.  
 24/00444 10 Greenwood Crescent LA5 8BA-21 days response before, 8 May. Response given.  
 24/00485/Ful 34 Broadlands Drive, Bolton Le Sands, Carnforth, Lancashire, LA5 8BH. No objections, to take neighbours comments into account.  
 24/0081/TPO - Pine tree removal, 27 Ash Tree Grove, Bolton Le Sands, Carnforth, Lancashire, LA5 8BD. Duly noted  
 24/0083/TCA – Removal 2 Ash Trees – 11 The Nook LA58DR. Duly noted.

#### **73/24 Update on Floodlights at the Bowling Green.**

Correspondence still on-going.

#### **74/24 To consider the request for the playgroup railings to be repaired.**

Cllr. Budden declared an interest.

A meeting to be arranged week commencing 20<sup>th</sup> May.

#### **75/24 Updates on Village parking and Traffic issues.**

Cllr. R Taylor has circulated updates throughout the month regarding this matter. Councillor Stuart Morris has had a meeting with the Headteacher on the 24.04.24. Following the meeting Councillor Morris is going to arrange a Multi Agency meeting to move things forward after seeing the problems for himself.

The Planning Department confirmed that restrictions on deliveries to the Packet Boat are included in the planning permissions.

#### **76/24 Review the charging Policy for the Tennis Courts**

Councillor Kitchen has asked that the fees for the use of the tennis courts by the Tennis Club be increased for this financial year from £175.00 to a proposed £730.00. It was discussed and a figure of £300.00 was agreed. Proposed Cllr. Budden. Seconded Cllr. L Taylor.

Contact to be made with LCC for repainting of the tennis lines. The cheque for £76.80, last years charge for repainting, for some reason has not been cleared, so will have to be reissued.

Proposed Cllr. Kitchen. Seconded Cllr. Bell.

**77/24 To consider Councillor Casual Vacancy.**

The Clerk has received no enquiries regarding the vacancy. This will be re-advertised on social media and the website and Councillors were reminded to encourage people to apply.

**78/24 Reports and Correspondence received.**

A request was received to ask permission to carry out Metal detecting in Bolton le Sands, on this occasion the Council declined the request.

LALC Membership renewal was agreed by the Council for this year.

Proposed by Cllr. Bell and Seconded by Cllr. Archer.

**79/24 Date and time of the next meeting.**

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024 at 7pm.

**Signed.....Date.....**