

16<sup>th</sup> May 2023

# PRESTON RICHARD PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF PRESTON RICHARD PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN ENDMOOR VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY 15<sup>th</sup> May 2023

**Cllrs Present** M Smith (Chair), A Atkinson, I Mason, G Galbraith, K. Dos Santos, and Mrs A Park (Clerk).

**Apologies:** Cllrs I Park, D Inman, Mrs M Daunt, Unitary Cllr Mrs J Battye,

- 13.23 ELECTION OF CHAIR** - Cllr Mason proposed Cllr Smith should remain in post, Cllr Galbraith seconded and all agreed
- 14.23 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR** - Cllr Mason proposed Cllr Inman should remain in post, Cllr Galbraith seconded and all agreed
- 15.23 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT TO THE COUNCIL AND PUBLIC** – The report covered all the improvements this year thanks to the CIL money, thanks to John Lyons, Glen Smithers and the volunteers for the Broadband work, thanks to Roger Gorman for his work on the PREP Plan, thanks to Julia Smithers for her work on the Christmas Carol Service and Choir, to Sam Clarke for her work on the Jubilee. He also thanked the Councillors for their input/actions throughout the year and the clerk for her hard work as there has been many projects completed this year. The full report will be found at the bottom of these minutes. The Clerk thanked the Chair for all his hard work with the Parish Council, the B4RN project, the First Responders, the Emergency Plan Team, repairing the Play Area, remarking it would be a sorry place without his input.
- 16.23 REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION** – None
- 17.23 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – None
- 18.23 MINUTES** – The minutes of the April meeting were confirmed as a true and accurate record
- 19.23 OPEN SESSION** – Cllr Galbraith had been asked if there is a 'Development Plan' for the Parish, the Clerk explained that this had been gone into some time ago but due to the lack of interest from the public, it was decided that with the funds available and the small number of volunteers we could only manage a 'Community Led Plan' this being the best way forward.
- 20.23 POLICE** –Police information can be found on their website [Home | Cumbria Police](#) or on their Facebook page [south lakes police - search results | Facebook](#). There was little on the site this month mainly discussing meetings with the public
- 21.23 UNITARY COUNCIL MATTERS** –

Cllr Battye was not present and no report had been received.

**22.23 HIGHWAYS** – No new reports for this month however the Westmorland & Furness Councillor responsible for Highways Cllr Peter Thornton will be attending the June parish council meeting to give a short presentation and answer any questions. Residents can report any highway problems direct on line or by telephone

- telephoning the Hotline 0300-303-2992 (Mon-Fri 8:30am – 5pm)
- on the website [Streets, roads and pavements | Cumbria County Council Alpha](#)

If possible, please take a photo to upload to the report and 'what3word' site if using that app.

**23.23 PLAYING FIELD/VILLAGE HALL** –

- A quote to replace the steps on the train, has been received from MJD Staircases Ltd, this quote was from a local resident who is prepared to charge for materials kindly offering to make them without any labour costs. Cllr Mason proposed we should accept this kind offer, seconded by Cllr Atkinson all agreed. The clerk will write to the company to advise and thank them.
- An email was read out from Mark Hamblett the Chairman of the Village Hall thanking the Parish Council for their financial support for the Coronation celebrations, to thank Endmoor Bakery for the donation of the scones. Cllr Smith told the meeting the event was quite well attended considering the short notice and he hoped the community would come together and organise many more get togethers in the future. Funds can be considered if the Parish Council are aware of the event. Cllr Dos Santos said unfortunately many people had already organised their own parties and hoped perhaps in the future we could get together as a community to include more events.

**24.23 LENGTHSMAN**

Cllr Inman was not present so no report was available however it was noted the Lengthsman has cut the verges around the parish

**25.23 PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR INPUT & DECISIONS**

All applications and decisions which can be viewed on [South Lakeland District Council Planning application register](#)

#### **NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS** -

**SL/2023/0244** - Application for a Non-Material amendment following grant of planning permission SL/2022/1072 (listed below) (Raising of roof of existing detached bungalow to form a 2 storey dwelling, pitched roof & single storey side extension to attached garage)

#### **PLANNING APPLICATIONS AWAITING DECISIONS**

**SL/2021/0577** - Beech Lee Gatebeck Lane Endmoor

**PLANNING NOTIFICATIONS RECEIVED: -**

**SL/2022/1072** - Fairwinds, Low Park Lane Endmoor - Granted with conditions

**SL/2023/0091** - Application for approval of reserved matters (access) following outline approval - Granted with conditions

**26.23 FINANCE**

- a) Internal budgets were discussed as follows  
 Emergency Plan (PREP) £600  
 Community Plan £200

- b) Paid between meetings:

Wages & Expenses £826.43	HMRC Tax £230.02
Annual travel expenses £152.10	Fosse Contractors (Tennis CT) £8214.00
Inside Out £283.20	Netherfield Cricket Club £84.00
BHIB Insurance £836.50	

**Payments received –** W&F Council precept £14873.76  
 Endmoor Tennis Club £1845

**Xfers between accounts:** none

**Meeting Closed – 8:15pm**

**CHAIRMAN'S 2023 REPORT TO THE COUNCIL**

This year has been a very busy year we have had many new projects to implement thanks to the CIL money, we have had the Broadband scheme implemented in much of the parish, we had the late queen's Jubilee to oversee and all this in addition to the normal day to day running problems of the parish not least the unopened footpath alongside the Story Home development and many other smaller problems whilst developing the site.

CIL money has been used to provide new bus shelters at Crooklands, new street lights on Low Park, new noticeboards around the parish, new play equipment for the Play area, update to the tennis courts, new bench for the Jubilee, new CCTV to oversee the

village hall, play area, tennis courts and playing field and last but not least electricity to light up our Christmas Tree. My thanks to my fellow councillors for their support and assistance.

The Broadband team have been working hard implementing B4RN hyper fast broadband into much of the parish which has been hard work, J. Lyons has overseen the project, Glenn Smithers has look into wayleaves and done much admin, other volunteers have dug trenches, overseen website and negotiated with B4RN and the Parish Council has looked after the finances so our thanks to all those involved in the project which is now drawing to a close. A plaque has been placed on the Millennium Clock in recognition of their achievement.

Roger Gorman had once again looked after our Preston Richard Emergency Plan (PREP) and kept us all informed as necessary. I would like to thank our PREP team and volunteers for the wonderful work they have done in supporting everyone and in particular Roger Gorman who works tirelessly in ensuring we are kept up to date.

Other thanks should go to Julia Smithers for organising the Christmas Carol Service around the clock and the team who installed and decorated the tree, to Sam Clarke and volunteers for organising the Jubilee Celebrations.

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Martin Smith

Cllr Martin Smith

Chair of Preston Richard Parish Council

The Clerk and Councillors thanked the Chair for all his hard work throughout the year, working with the B4PRN team, with the PREP team, with the 1<sup>st</sup> Responders, repairing the Play Area all in addition to carrying out Council business remarking it would be a sorry place without all his time and effort