

Preston Patrick Parish Council

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Preston Patrick Parish Council held on Monday 17 January 2022 at
Preston Patrick Memorial Hall

Present Cllr Peter Winter (PW) – Chairman,
Councillors; Olive Clarke (OC), Robert Nutter (RN), Keith Richardson (KR)
Also present: The Clerk, Scott Thornley (ST)

Start: 7:35 pm

21/071	<p>Apologies for Absence: RESOLVED that the following absences and reasons be approved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tony Mason – Unwell • Zoe Mack – Personal reasons 					
21/072	<p>Minutes of previous meeting: RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 22 November 2021 pages 21011-21013 be confirmed as a true record and signed by Chairman.</p>					
21/073	<p>Declaration of interests: RESOLVED that there were no interests to declare in any item on the agenda.</p>					
21/074	<p>Public Participation:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) The police report had last been received in November and the latest report was still awaited. b) There were no County or District Councillors present and no reports had been received. It was noted that councillors were possibly attending Preston Richard PC. c) There were no members of the public present and no questions had been received in advance of the meeting. 					
21/075	<p>Planning: There had been no applications received since the last meeting and no decisions had been notified.</p>					
21/076	<p>Finance:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Schedule of payments: - RESOLVED that the following payments be authorised <table style="margin-left: 20px; border: none;"> <tr> <td>Scott Thornley (Clerks Expenses)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£56.30</td> </tr> <tr> <td>A2A Advertising (SSL Certificate)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£48.00</td> </tr> </table> b) RESOLVED to approve the budget report as presented by the Clerk. It was noted that the balances look healthy but that there was a large payment to go out for the Gatebeck Speed Limit project once finalised. It was noted that no invoice had been received for hire of the Parish Hall and Cllr. Richardson will arrange for this to be sent. The budget for 2022-2023 was considered and it was noted that items later in the agenda could affect the budget and so it was RESOLVED that this item should be considered at the end of the agenda. c) The bank had now made the changes to the mandate and had granted online access to the Clerk. In order to make payments, the Chair and another signatory would also need to be set up for online banking. Cllrs. Winter and Mack to look into this. 	Scott Thornley (Clerks Expenses)	£56.30	A2A Advertising (SSL Certificate)	£48.00	
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21/077	<p>Noticeboards: Two quotes were received from Joinery Northwest Ltd. They were for two boards of 1200mm x 1000mm with Preston Patrick Parish Council machined at the top. The quotes were £2648.06 for Mahogany or £2883.17 for Accoya. Accoya was considered to be more durable and better quality and it was RESOLVED unanimously to purchase the two boards in Accoya. There was some discussion regarding the placement of the board at Millness and it was decided that to the left of the postbox at the junction would be best. Cllr. Richardson will speak to Cumbria Highways to ensure that they have no objections.</p>					
21/078	<p>Queens Green Canopy: The information on the scheme was received and considered. It was suggested that the Parish should mark the occasion in some way and that this would be a good way of doing so. It was suggested that perhaps the council could organise a joint celebration with Preston Richard Parish and the Clerk was asked to make contact with Preston Richard to discuss this. A number of areas of land were suggested in relation to the planting of trees and it was RESOLVED that a small working party be set up of Cllrs. Winter, Richardson and Nutter to identify the best plots for planting and report back.</p>					

21/079	Website: RESOLVED to defer this item until the next meeting in the absence of Cllr. Mack.	
21/080	Meetings: Cllr. Winter noted that the CALC District Association meeting planned for 25 November had been cancelled. It was noted that the Chair of the District had stood down and a new chair was sought. Also noted the resignation of Samantha Bagshaw as Chief Officer of CALC and that Sonia Hutchinson had been appointed to replace her.	
21/081	Correspondence Received: The following correspondence was noted: CALC – Queen’s Jubilee Beacons CALC – Local Government Reorganisation update CALC – New Chief Officer SLDC – Precept Forms Chris Hayhurst – Emissions and EA Response Highways England – M6 J36 Resurfacing It was suggested that the lighting of a beacon could form part of the discussion with Preston Richard PC.	
21/082	Councillor Matters: It was suggested that the Annual Litter Pick should be held at the beginning of April and Cllr. Winter will suggest some dates. It was suggested that the council could perhaps purchase some litter picking sticks of its own (possibly from SLDC) that could be stored at the hall. The Clerk will find out the costs of these.	
21/083	Budget 2022/2023: The budget prepared by the Clerk was considered and it was RESOLVED to approve a 1% increase in the precept to £4354.11.	
21/084	Date of Next Meeting: RESOLVED that the date of the next Parish Council Meeting be Monday 21 March 2022, 7.30pm at Preston Patrick Memorial Hall. Items for the agenda to be sent to the Clerk by the 14 March 2022.	
Meeting closed 8.47pm		

Chair:

Date: