

PRESTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Proceedings of a Meeting of

Preston Parish Council

held at the Preston Community Hall, Main Street, Preston

13 February 2023

Present: Councillor S Hope in the Chair
Councillors: G Catterick, A Hodge, G Hunter, Mrs B Mendham, T Pank, Ms K Thomas, Ms L West
Clerk: Kim Gray, Parish Clerk (interim)

010223. Apologies for Absence
Apologies were received from Cllrs: I Ireland, K Baylis, G Bell, S Precious
Resolved: that apologies were accepted

020223. Declaration of Interests
2.1 It was agreed that any declaration of interest be dealt with at the time the relevant item was discussed.

- Cllr Catterick declared an interest in items 15 & 16.
- Cllr West declared an interest in items 15 & 16.
- Cllr Mendham declared an interest in item 15.
- Cllr Pank declared an interest in item 15.

2.2 There were no dispensations to be noted. None.

030223. Public Participation
A resident commented on the Council's online presence; that there are two website, which is confusing and that the information required updates. The Clerk is aware, but with being in post 2 days there is much to do and will rectify the situation in due course.

040223. Confirming/Receiving the Minutes
Cllr Catterick questioned whether under the "Finance" item of these minutes the AGAR for 2021/22 should be included. Cllr Catterick also noted that he had not seen the January Payment schedule. Cllr Catterick also noted that under the item "Precept" it stated that the Clerk prepared 3 options but 4 were shown below.

Resolved: that subject to the 2021/22 AGAR added to the "Finance" item, and the number of precept options being amended to 4 the Minutes were confirmed as a true record.

050223. To Receive Report by Ward Councillor
Ward Cllrs Steel and Winter were present and offered a report. Cllr Winter reminded Councillors of the YEP meeting on Thursday 16 February at 7pm, where part of the discussion will be about the £20k Community Fund. YEP have indicated that an independent fund management company will manage the bidding process. The Crematorium's will be officially opened by Cllr John Whittle

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on Tuesday 21 February. It was noted that the Parish Council would be invited to visit the crematorium before it open, but no visit had been arranged and no invite received to the official opening. Cllr Winter will contact the Portfolio Holder to arrange a visit.

060223. Clerk's Report and Correspondence

Kim Gray introduced herself as the interim Clerk. As the Clerk is only 3 days into the job the report is limited as she is still assessing the current situation. The Clerk notified Councillors that ERYC released election nomination forms for the elections in May, these can be downloaded from ERYC's website. The deadline for applications is 4 April at 4pm, nominees will need to visit County Hall by appointment to have paperwork checked.

070223. To Consider Planning Applications in accordance with The Town and Country Planning Act 1990

22/03998 – Store Preston Nurseries, Weghill Road, Preston
Application Type: Full Planning Application – Change of use of fish farm machinery store to workshop for use as storage, repair and maintenance of forklift trucks/plant with erection of external compressor and LPG bottle store (retrospective).
Members discussed this application and considered the previous applications made on this site, noting their reservations about this and previous applications.

Resolved: that Preston Parish Council object to the application.

22/04081 – Land South East of Saltend Roundabout, Paull Road, Preston
Application Type: Full Planning Application – Erection of a security fence.

Resolved: that Preston Parish Council support the application.

22/04079 – Land & Buildings East of Froghall Farm, Wyton Road, Preston
Application Type: Full Planning Application - Conversion of redundant agricultural buildings to from a dwelling with associated external and internal alterations, erection of a single storey extension with a roof lantern, installation of 14 roof lights and erection of a 2.5m high western boundary wall.

Resolved: that Preston Parish Council support the application.

www.eastriding.gov.uk/publicaccess - application documents can be viewed using the above references and following the on-screen instruction

080223. To note Notice of Decisions

21/04483 – Preston Post Office, 2 Main Street, Preston

Change of use and subdivision of existing retail unit to form one retail unit (Class E) and one hot food takeaway unit (Sui Generis), including alterations to street frontage with new glazing and entrance door to provide separate access to each unit and installation of extraction flue to rear. REFUSED. **NOTED**

22/02896 – Air Products plc, Saltend Chemicals Park, Preston

Erection of a two-storey office block, construction of a new staff and visitor car park, reconfiguration of HGV hard-standing and, upon completion of

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construction activities, demolition of existing single storey office clock.
GRANTED. **NOTED**

090223. To approve payment schedule for February 2023
The Schedule previously circulated to Members, will form part of the Minutes.
Resolved: that the schedule of payments for February 2023, signed by two Councillors, in the sum of £1,731.04 was approved
100223. To receive an update on the financial position of the Council at 31 Jan 2023
The Clerk report that it would not be possible to give an update on the financial position at this juncture but expects to be able to present the Council with a position statement at the next meeting.
110223. To confirm Precept for 2023/24 of £42,000.
The Clerk confirmed the precept application of £42,000 for the financial year 2023/24.
120223. To note report from the Traffic Working Group.
Ward Cllr Steel on behalf of the Traffic Working Group reported no update at this time.
130223. To receive resignation of the Preston Women's Institute from Maintenance of the Village Community Garden.
Council asked the Clerk to write to Preston WI to thank them for hard work. Alternative arrangements would be made to maintain the garden in the short term until a permanent solution is found. Cllr West and Hodge will look at the garden and consider options moving forward. If the plants are to be removed the WI must be consulted as some plants were donated. The path is uneven due to tree roots but this work would require future funding. Update at the next meeting.
140223. To consider a suitable location for the two trees donated for the jubilee and Coronation.
Cllr West reported that the two locations identified for planting were Preston South and the other St Augustine's Mews. Cllr Bell would plant the trees. Cllr West also has 15 whips for planting. The assessment was that Preston South site needs more than one tree. The area in question belongs to ERYC, who wanted a raised area in front of the trees to protect them from ball games. If surplus trees are available after planting can the Centenary trees that suffered damage be replaced.
Resolved: that two locations, Farrand Road and St Augustine's Mews were agreed.
150223. To consider request for funding for Coronation event from Preston Village Community Group.
Members discussed a request to fund a Coronation event to centre around a Bar-B-Que as a joint event with Preston Village Community Group.

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Cllr West applied for £500 of funding from the King's Coronation Fund on behalf of the Parish Council.

Resolved: that the Parish Council would match fund Preston Village Community Group to the amount of £340.

160223. To consider request from Preston Patter for £700 for the village newsletter.
Members considered it would be prudent to wait until the next meeting when an update on the financial position of the Council can be given.

The Village Questionnaire would be an insert in the next issue of Preston Patter at a cost of £200, this would include £50 for a prize draw.

Resolved: that the request for £700 for the newsletter would be deferred to the next meeting.

Resolved: that the Village Questionnaire would be printed and distributed in the edition of Preston Patter for £200 to include £50 for a prize draw.

170223. Update on Preston (South) Village Hall
The Clerk has contacted the Charity Commission regarding the matter and awaits communication from the Commission to move forward. This is nothing to do with Preston Parish Council and the Clerk will continue to disassociate the Council from this Charity.

180223. To note submission to ERYC's Town and Parish Council Communication Survey.
Members noted the submission of the survey.

190223. Members' points of information and items for next agenda.
Members noted that litter and fly-tipping was an issue and another community litter pick was needed. The fly-tipping has been reported to ERYC. Add item to next agenda to discuss way forward with village litter picking.

200223. To agree pursuant to Section1(2) of the Public Bodies (admissions to meetings) Act 1960 it is recommended that because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted the public and press leave the meeting during consideration of these matters. AGREED

In Camera

210223. Staffing Matters
The Clerk left the meeting while Members discussed this item.

Resolved: that the interim Clerk would be offered a fixed term contract and the remuneration would be commensurate with her role at Hedon Town Council.

220223. Update on the Freedom of the Village Award
The item was resolved at an earlier Council meeting.

Chairman _____

PAYMENT SCHEDULE FEBRUARY 2023

DATE	PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	Gross	VAT	Net
FEBRUARY					
	Preston Community Hall	Hall Hire January	£ 50.00	£ -	£ 50.00
	Sandhill Garden Centre	Gloves			£ 11.69
	B K Brooks Accountant/Audtior	Professional Services	£ 437.50		£ 437.50
	B K Brooks Accountant/Audtior	Professional Services	£ 350.00		£ 350.00
	W P Everingham & Son Ltd	Cleaning War Memorial	£ 540.00		£ 540.00
	KCOM	Internet	£ 30.00	£ 6.00	£ 36.00
	KCOM	Telephone			£ 65.85
	Preston Community Hall	Hall Hire - Nov 22	£ 36.00	£ -	£ 36.00
	Preston Community Hall	Garage Hire - Apr22-Mar23	£ 100.00	£ -	£ 100.00
	Preston Community Hall	Hall Hire - August 22	£ 24.00	£ -	£ 24.00
	Preston Community Hall	Hall Hire - July 22	£ 24.00	£ -	£ 24.00
	Preston Community Hall	Hall Hire - May 22	£ 28.00	£ -	£ 28.00
	Preston Community Hall	Hall Hire - February 21	£ 28.00	£ -	£ 28.00
					<u>£ 1,731.04</u>