

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF HESKIN PARISH COUNCIL
HELD VIA ZOOM ON 1ST OCTOBER 2020**

**Present Cllr Mrs A Bamber Chair
 Cllr P Lloyd V Chair
 Cllr K Mather
 Cllr E Forshaw
 Cllr A Singh**

In attendance Mr A Whittaker Clerk

129.1 Apologies. Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllr M Holden.

129.2 Minutes of the meeting held on 27th August 2020.

The minutes were accepted as a true record.

129.3 Matters arising from the minutes.

Min 128.3(a) Speeding on Wood Lane.

The Chair introduced this item and advised members that the police had been contacted and responded. They had given an undertaking to assist either with a mobile trailer or random speed checks. Details were given from a resident of possible locations for these. The Clerk was asked to respond to the Police.

Min 128.3(b) Flooding adjacent to The Meadows and a property on Wood Lane.

The Clerk reported

a) That he had written to Chorley BC about the responsibility for this

128.3(b) Continued

issue given that the land had been leased by the Parish Council from the Borough Council some years ago.

b) A meeting had taken place with United Utilities and the resident involved and the Clerk. A survey had been undertaken by UU of the combined foul and surface water drain which was U.U.'s responsibility. This was found to be clear. UU also indicated that some surface water drains that were probably causing the problems were blocked by silt. The resident offered to undertake the work with a neighbour assuming the cost of plant would be met by whichever Council was responsible. The Parish Council agreed to await the lesser's or leaseholder's responsibility before proceeding further. The Clerk will advise members and the resident when responses are received from CBC and UU with their detailed reports.

128.7 Best Kept Front Garden. The winners had been notified and presented with Garden Vouchers and Trophies.

128.8 Broadband Connection for the Village Hall. A response was awaited from Chorley to see if the Parish Council's application had been successful.

129.4 Financial Update.

The Clerk presented the report and Council authorised the payments made since the last meeting

Lengthsman 1 Wages £164.20

Lengthsman 2 Wages £188.83

DWG Groundwork £680.00

Council approved the Clerks salary and expenses £1152.46

The Council's financial position was also noted.

129.5 Planning Matters.

The Chair referred to papers circulated to members regarding the

129.5 Continued

Governments proposals. A discussion ensued. Council resolved to repeat the concerns expressed in the resolution passed by Eccleston Parish Council and to notify the Chorley MP and Chorley Council.

129.6 The Meadows Update

The Chair introduced this item and indicated her great satisfaction in what had been achieved having visited the site several times. Councillor Lloyd and Councillor Mather both wished to minute the success of the project which had been much appreciated via comments to them from young children and their parents. The Clerk reported that there were still two minor items to be resolved ie levelling and grass seeding and the contractor will do this before his account is finally settled. Councillor Forshaw reported that some of the matting had been torn perhaps by CBC's operations. This is being investigated.

129.7 Date of next meeting 3rd December 2020