

Haighton Parish Council

It was with great sadness that we learned of the death of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II on Thursday, 8th September at 6.30 p.m.. May she rest in peace. We wish our new Monarch, King Charles III a long and happy reign. God save the King.

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 4th October 2022. The meeting was held by phone and e-mail owing to the fact that Covid infections are still an issue and the difficulty in providing social distancing at the meeting venue.

Minutes of the last Parish Council meeting held on 16th May 2022: confirmed as an accurate record of the meeting.

Correspondence:

- Best Kept Village Competition: The two hamlets which survived the second round of judging were Little Eccleston and Great Plumpton. We will have to wait until the final results are announced to find out Haighton's position.
- E-mail from Lancashire Leaders announcing their 'Warm and Welcoming Publicly Available Spaces' initiative in response to the hardship created by the massive increases in fuel costs and asking whether Haighton could offer any such spaces.
- Highways problems: Cllr Clarke reported two highways issues (7/6/22): 1) Pot-hole at edge of carriageway 100m west of entrance to Haighton Hall Farm; 2) Long, deep rut on south side of carriageway to east of entrance of Seamark Farm. Both were reported to LCC Highways via their website. Update at time of writing is 'Assessed by Inspector and works have been programmed'.
- E-mail from Haighton resident reporting the blockage of footpath No. 13, Haighton, by a fallen tree. This footpath, which has been diverted in recent years, runs along the south side of Savick Brook near to Haighton House. This was reported to LCC's Public Rights of Way dept. and we await news of the removal of the tree.
- LCC poster showing photos of the County Councillors and a map of the wards they represent in Preston to be displayed on the noticeboard.
- Form of Proclamation for Proclaiming the new Sovereign in the United Kingdom. To be displayed.

Meetings:

- Parish and Town Councils Conference to be held on Saturday 12/11/22 in The Exchange at County Hall, Preston. LALC will hold their AGM in the afternoon. Lunch provided.

Planning:

Applications:

06/2022/0536: Conversion of existing garage to 'annexe' at Savick House, Whittingham Lane. The proposal was no longer described as a 'dwelling', but HPC still objected on the grounds that the proposed annexe had the potential to become a holiday-let.

06/2022/0943: Prior notification submission for the installation of roof mounted PV solar panels at Inchcape Jaguar Rover, Bluebell Way. Since this was a 'green' proposal which would have no impact upon the local environment, the Clerk did not object.

06/2022/0802: Two storey and single storey extensions to rear with balcony, front porch and single storey side extension.

Site address: Lodgefield House, Haighton Green Lane. It was agreed that the alterations would be unlikely to detract from the visual amenity of the property as seen from the road, nor should they affect neighbouring properties.

06/2022/0647: Request for a 'screening opinion' as to whether the proposed developments at Whittingham Sports and Social Club would require an Environmental Impact Assessment.

The Clerk decided that this was beyond the remit of HPC, and was outside the Parish Boundary in any case, so did not respond.

06/2022.0706: Amendments to planning permission at The Paddock, adj. Whinfield Cottage, Cow Hill. This involved minor changes to the fenestration and chimneys etc. and did not justify a consultation of the members of HPC, nor a response to PCC.

06/2022/0766: Repeat Application for the erection of a storage building and agricultural worker's cottage at Clarksons Fold Farm, Cow Hill. Since there were no objections when the Members of HPC were consulted about the identical original application, HPC's response was supportive of the proposal.

06/2022/1042: Outbuilding to rear at Cow Hill Barn, Cow Hill. The Clerk had sent letters showing details of this application to all members and is awaiting their opinions.

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Signed by the Chairman.....

Approvals:

06/2022/0536: Conversion of existing garage to ‘annexe’, etc., Savick House, Whittingham Lane.

06/2022/0647: Request for a ‘screening opinion’ as to whether the proposed developments at Whittingham Sports and Social Club would require an Environmental Impact Assessment. PCC’s decision was that the Environmental Impact Assessment was not required.

Refusals

06/2022/0353: Outline Application for 4 dwellings seeking approval for access and layout, Sumners Farm, Cow Hill. PCC’s reason for refusal was that the proposal did not comply with Policy 1 of the Central Lancashire Core Strategy, nor Policy EN1 of the Local Plan- Open Countryside.

Planning cont..

Appeals: None

Accounts:

- Cheque No. 352 for £57.51 paid in favour of LALC for the annual subscription.
- Cheque No. 353 for £200.41 paid in favour of Zurich Municipal for this year’s Insurance Premium.

AOB:

- No other matters were reported for attention by the Clerk