**MINUTES OF**

**CLAUGHTON ON** **BROCK PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

**14th January 2025, 7:30pm**

**Held at Claughton Memorial Hall**

***1/25. PRESENT***

Councillor F.J. Fitzherbert-Brockholes – Chair

Councillor E. Leach

Councillor R. T. Eccles

A.Nicholls \_ Clerk

Councillor D. Bolton – Wyre

Councillor S. Turner – LCC

**2/25. APOLOGIES**

Councillor S. Watt

Councillor R. Clark

Councillor D. Swift – Wyre

3/25. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

There were no declarations of personal or prejudicial interest.

4/25. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

***Resolved****: The minutes of the quarterly meeting held on 14th October 2024 were agreed and signed by the Chair*

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***5/25. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION***

Cllr. D Bolton confirmed he would attend the Planning Committee re Planning Application Consultation 24/00780/FUL

Cllr. D Bolton attended the Planning meeting at Wyre to object to the Mc Donalds at Claughton. The only concession agreed by Wyre was the requirement Mc Donalds will be required to do a regular litter sweep of the immediate area.

Mayor Garstang Cllr. Mike Halford attended the meeting to promote local Parish Councils working together in partnership with regard to staffing.

Cllr. Shaun Turner reported a minor fall in the excessive housing targets imposed on Wyre by the government to 580 new houses a year.

£4.5 million has been given to Wyre by the government for safety improvements to the A6. This will include additional traffic lights and reduced speed on the whole stretch. Plans are still at a high level and no work on the ground will take place for at least two years

**6/25**.P**lanning Applications:**-

**Application Number: 24/01051/FUL**

**Address: Ducketts Farm Ducketts Lane**

**Proposal: Proposed roof over existing open concrete yard**

**No objection**

**Application Number: 24/00934/FUL**

**Address: Picket Post Stubbins Lane**

**Proposal: Erection of single storey side extension**

**No objection**

**7/25. Memorial Hall Update**

The Parish Council discussed the Memorial Halls, request that the Parish Council mark bays on the carpark at a cost in the region of £2000. The Parish Council thought it was unnecessary on a large carpark in a rural area. At large functions or events it would be

better to use a parking warden.

The Parish Council did however agree to add £2000 to the precept and put in contingency to

enable the Village Hall Trustees to attend the next Parish Council meeting and put forward a business case for marking the carpark. The Clerk will report back to the Village Hall.

**8/25. Budget for financial year 2025-2026**

*After scrutiny of the monitoring statement the precept for 2025-2026 was set at £30,107*

***9/25 FINANCE***

**Bank reconciliation to 31st December 2024**

**Accounts, bank reconciliation, to 31st December 2024**

***Hard copies delivered; Councillors are asked to scrutinise these documents.***

The Councillors scrutinized and agreed the following payments and receipts.

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| **Standing Orders and Direct Debits**  Easy Web Sites £ 34.32 October 2024  Easy Web Sites £ 34.32 November 2024  Easy Web Sites £ 34.32 December 2024   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | 01/11/2024 | Easy Web Sites | £34.32 | | 04/11/2024 | Towers + Gornall Accountant's | £88.80 | | 20/11/2024 | Gaskell's Waste | £68.52 | | 25/11/2024 | A Nicholls | £359.54 | | 29/11/2024 | A Nicholls | £26.00 | | 30/11/2024 | Lengthsman's Acount | £864.00 | | 30/11/2024 | A Nicholls | £49.99 | | 02/12/2024 | Easy Web Sites | £34.32 | | 04/12/2024 | A Nicholls | £59.99 | | 17/12/2024 | Bank Service charges | £1.00 | | 20/12/2024 | Gaskell's Waste | £68.52 | | 23/12/2024 | A Nicholls | £359.74 | | 23/12/2024 | A Nicholls | £26.00 | | 23/12/2024 | Lengthsman's Acount | £720.00 | | 23/12/2024 | Angela Spar | £9.80 | | 01/01/2025 | Easy Web Sites | £34.32 | |  |  |  |
| ***10/25. Lloyds bank classic account change to online Treasury Account***  *The Lloyds Bank is finally transferred to an online Treasury Account after six months. The Clerk complained to Lloyds Bank who have acknowledged their mistakes and compensated the Parish Council £75.*  *It was agreed to update the Financial Standing Orders to take account of the changes*  **11/25. Parish Notice Board**  **T**he new Noticeboard will be purchased in February 2025.  **12/25. Other issues for discussion**  The amount of litter on New Lane was discussed. The garage Rogers at Brock is also causing a nuisance parking cars awaiting repair on the road verges near the canal bridge. The Clerk will follow it up with Highways and speak to PS Elliot Jones |  |  |  |
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| **1/25. Meeting closed 9:10pm The next meeting will be held on Monday 14th April 2025 7:30pm.** |  |  |  |
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