



Minutes of the **NEIGHBOURHOOD COUNCIL MEETING**
held on Wednesday the 16th January 2019 @ St Margaret's Church Hall Ingol commencing at 7.00pm

Present: Cllrs Bevan, Brookes, Roskell, McGrath, Anderson, Ellison, Soole and Thompson

There were five members of the public present

01/19 To receive apologies

Cllr Carrig and Darby

02/19 To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 5th December 2018 (enclosed)

It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on the 5th December 2018 should be approved and signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record

03/19 To receive Declarations of Interest

Cllr McGrath declared a personal and prejudicial interest in agenda item 7 since he lives in near proximity to the proposed barrier. He left the room having made a short statement of support for the proposition and having responded to various questions raised by members but did not vote on this item.

04/19 To adjourn the meeting for a period of public participation

The meeting was adjourned

A new group Friends of Ingol Library (FOIL) has been formed to help the library put on events and make residents aware of their facilities.

Buses using the bus stop outside the Sainsbury's store as a terminus are causing potential road traffic accidents by narrowing the road and causing vehicles to have to move across into the opposite lane. Preston Bus have been requested to use a nearby lay but have so far stated that they have risk assessed the situation which meets standard protocols. The Clerk will bring this up once again when he next meets with the area manager.

It was suggested that vehicles turning into the Sainsbury's car park were cutting the corners which was dangerous – it was felt that some road markings were required. Residents were advised to put this request to LCC Highways since they are the responsible authority.

Mention was made of a recent incident near Tanterton Village Centre whereby a youth had pulled out a knife when challenged on their behaviour by a local resident. It was mentioned that the TVC Ltd camera had not been able to assist the police in their enquiries.

The meeting was reconvened

05/19 To authorise payment of the following accounts:

On Line	W V Mcennerney-Whittle	3 rd Qtr Salary and Expenses	1485.07
On Line	Inland Revenue	3 rd Qtr Tax deductions	917.11
On Line	Reimburse B McGrath	Calendar Costs	392.99
On Line	TVC Ltd	Grant	5000.00
On Line	City Distributers	Xmas Flyer	130.86
On Line	Reimburse J Thompson	Xmas Event Costs	367.35

On Line	SLCC	¼ Share Annual Subscription	68.25
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It was resolved that the payments mentioned above should be approved

06/19 To review the Lengthsman/Environmental Assistant role which was introduced last year on a 12-month trial period and decide whether the role should be continued and what changes might be made to the arrangements in the light of the 12-month experiment.

It was resolved that the Lengthsman/Environmental Assistant role had been successful and should be extended for a further 12 months but with a number of changes to how the scheme should be managed going forward as below:

The current contract which expires on the 31st March 2019 should be renewed however the amount of 'hourly paid' work should be amended to a small basic arrangement to cover general works such as litter picking, weed removal, leaf clearance, watering, keeping the area tidy and putting up the speed indicator device etc.

All other work such as projects, path edging, planting and signage erection etc should be packaged and offered to the incumbent contractor who would be asked to provide a quotation for its completion. This quotation would then if considered reasonable be awarded and payment made after satisfactory completion against invoice.

It was further resolved that Cllrs Anderson ad Brookes in conjunction with the Clerk would now amend the standard lengthsman contract taking into account the above, for final approval before the existing contract expires.

07/19 To consider the enclosed quotation concerning the erection of a mild steel automatic gate (instead of a rising bollard) across Cottam Lane as per enclosed papers and decide whether this project should be agreed in principle subject to the obtaining of all necessary permissions since the location is not the same as the previously considered rising bollard.

After much discussion and concern about the safety risks of such a barrier it was proposed by Cllr Bevan that alternative quotes should first be obtained from 'Gatesafe' registered contractors so as to ensure that all legal requirements with this type of barrier were being met and that the price quoted was competitive, in line with standard business practice.

It was resolved that no further quotes should be obtained.

It was then resolved that the existing quotation / proposal should not be taken forward.

08/19 To consider and approve the contribution to PCC for open space maintenance at £9550.00 which is the same as last year and which has been provided for in the budget for 2019 / 2020.

It was resolved that a contribution as set out above should be approved.

09/19 To appoint a small working group to investigate what type of planters/flower beds should be purchased/erected to replace the existing now that they are coming to the end of their useful life. An earmarked budget has been included in the Precept for 2019/2020 at £6000.00

It was resolved that Cllrs McGrath, Soole, Thompson and Roskell should form the working group.

10/19 To approve the enclosed Statement of Accounts as at 31st December 2018

It was resolved that the Statement of Accounts referred to above should be approved

11/19 To note that the next meeting is scheduled for the 6th March 2019

It was noted that the date of the next meeting is scheduled for 6th March 2019