



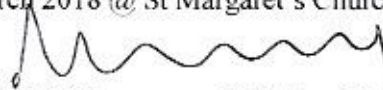
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NEXT MEETING

Members of the Council are summoned to the **NEIGHBOURHOOD COUNCIL MEETING** to be held on Wednesday the 28th March 2018 @ St Margaret's Church Hall Ingol commencing at 7.00pm



W V Mcennerney-Whittle – Clerk and RFO

AGENDA

1. To receive apologies
2. To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 28th February 2018 (enclosed)
3. To receive Declarations of Interest
4. To adjourn the meeting for a period of public discussion

Please note that the Council may not make any decisions during this session – any items raised by members of the public may be considered for a future agenda. Members of the public are defined as any persons present other than neighbourhood council members or officials.

5. To authorise payment of the following accounts:

On Line	Printing World	Newsletter re Election	270.00
On Line	Greenwood Garden Services	Newsletter Delivery	100.00
On Line	Parkside Groundworks	Newsletter Delivery	100.00
On Line	BG Fencing	Materials Bench Installation	73.84
On Line	Viking Direct	Stationery	259.70
On Line	Greenwood Garden Services	Lengthsman	372.40
On Line	Parkside Groundworks	Bench Installation	141.10

6. To consider the enclosed report regarding a Youth Shelter and decide what further action, if any, is required.
7. To consider writing to PCC Planning Dept to enquire as to what progress, if any, has been made regarding the expansion of Ingol Health Centre as outlined in the latest North West Masterplan
8. To note that the next meeting is scheduled for the 16th May 2018



MINUTES of the NEIGHBOURHOOD COUNCIL MEETING held on Wednesday the 28th February 2018 @ St Margaret’s Church Hall Ingol commencing at 7.00pm

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

There were 4 members of the public present.

10/18 To receive apologies

Cllr Thompson

11/18 To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 17th January 2018 (enclosed)

It was resolved that the Minutes of the meeting held on the 17th January 2018 should be approved and signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record.

12/18 To receive Declarations of Interest

None

13/18 To adjourn the meeting for a period of public discussion

The meeting was adjourned

It was confirmed that some of the benches around Tanterton recreation ground had been overturned – this has now been rectified – it is not known who was responsible.

It was suggested that local consultation should take place before replacement or new equipment should be installed at the Tanterton Village Green play area. It was stated that at this stage the council were only in the exploratory stages and any decision about installation/local consultation would have to be considered along with Preston City Council who owned the play area should the project get the go ahead.

The meeting was reconvened

14/18 To authorise payment of the following accounts:

On Line	Lea and Cottam PC	Purchase Xmas tree replacement lights	150.00
On Line	Parkside Groundworks	Installation of Benches	199.20
On Line	GGs	Lengthsman wks. 45 -48	425.60
On Line	Preston CC	Xmas Tree Costs	2604.67
On Line	SLCC	¼ share Practitioners Conference	97.25
On Line	Johnstone Publishing	Lengthsman / Env Assistant Advert	238.80
On Line	City Distributors	Newsletter delivery	141.34
On Line	Printing World	Newsletter	255.00
On Line	BG Fencing	Materials Bench Installations	231.33
On Line	GGs	Lengthsman wks. 41-44	372.40

It was resolved that the payments mentioned above should be approved

15/18 To appoint Len Slade as the internal auditor for 2017/18 at a fee of £105.00 and approve the Terms of Reference and Internal Control and Suggested Testing Methodology the relative documents having already been circulated

It was resolved that Len Slade should be appointed as the internal auditor for 2017/18 and that the documents mentioned above should be approved

16/18 To consider and approve the following documents which have already been circulated

- The Councils Risk Management Policy Statement 2018
- The Councils Risk Management Register 2018
- The Councils Asset Register 2018
- The Review of the Effectiveness of the Internal Audit and Internal Control

It was resolved that the documents mentioned above should be approved

17/18 To consider earmarking £30K net of Vat from this Council's Reserves to be allocated to the provision of new play equipment and the refurbishment of the playground at Tanterton Village Green which might include such enhancements as junior swings, junior play equipment, drainage and soft fall surface and galvanized fencing with gates and to authorise engagement with PCC, with a view to drawing up specific proposals, and to pay for the drawing up of such a plan for the final agreement of this Council before implementation.

It was resolved that £30K should be earmarked as above, that engagement with PCC should start as soon as practicable, that this Council would pay for the drawing up of specific proposals which might incur costs up to 10% of the overall project costs and for the plans when drawn to be brought back to this Council for approval.

18/18 To confirm that this Council (original agreement for 4 editions has been completed) wishes the Clerk to continue to produce a minimum of 4 newsletters (4 x A5 pages each) per year at a cost of £150 per edition.

It was resolved that the clerk should continue with production of the newsletter as outlined above

19/18 To note that the date of the next meeting is scheduled for the 28th March 2018

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Hi Bill,

Herewith, a report from the [Youth Shelter Working Group., could you please ensure this goes on the Agenda for discussion by the full Council at their Meeting on the 28th. The Report is self explanatory in the sense that having approached those who we feel will be the most effected we have received no support what so ever. A disappointing situation. Could I just mention the response we received from Steve Daley is copied the way it was received ie phraseology and punctuation etc.

The Working Group feel the only way to move this Project forward will be to call a Meeting of the Community with the view getting the support on what will be a very unpopular Project.

There is another problem the Council will need to take on board that is the Youths' have already been told they are to have a Youth Shelter that will have a Wi Fi system (don't ask me were that came from). If the Council feel unable to proceed, What are we going to tell the Youths' and how are we going to placate them ?. What could we do for them in lieu of a Youth Shelter ?

Regards

Derek Bevan (on behalf of the Working Group).

Youth Shelter Working Group

It was unfortunate that prior to the Working Group being able to have an initial Meeting in order to produce an action plan and formulate a strategy. The Youths' in our area had been told that the Council would be providing a Youth Shelter. Arising from this one of our Group chose to resign. The Working Group felt it was better to approach those bodies effected most and get their reaction and observations prior to consulting with the Community and the Youths' themselves.

We first of all approached the Social Housing Association ie the land owners and Preston City Council

The initial approach was to Community Gateway Association and advised them of our Project and the fact we had identified what we considered was a suitable site on the Dovedale Play Area. The response - was no way would they allow a Youth Shelter near their proposed and soon to commence over 50s Project. They also indicated it was unlikely they would be prepared to give permission for such a Project on any land they owned. They also advise that due to the high maintenance cost it was intended they review their Policy with regard to Parks and Green Space.

We then approached Places for People and asked for their reaction should we be able to identify a site on land they owned. The response was somewhat similar to that of CGA. They were aware that similar projects had been tried and failed. However, like CGA they could not give a formal response until a specific site was identified. Both Organizations felt there could be a lot of opposition from their residents.

An approach was then made to Steve Daley the Deputy Head of Parks and Street Scene, Preston who responded :- I can confirm there is a youth hut in Moor Park but it is near the multi-use games area near the Observatory on Blackpool road. It services a purpose and is well used as it is located in an accessible park. However I am aware of other youth huts in the city which are not and have actually caused more problems for us and community so it does all depend on where and who uses it.

Sorry but we would not be the best people placed to advise on one in. This would be for the community to decide.

The Working Group then approached our local Policing Team with a request for a meeting in order to discuss the provision of a Shelter for the Youths in our area. The initial response was to advise they had some concerns with such a Project they did however, agree to a Meeting which took place at Lea Police Station on the 27th February 2018

The Meeting commenced with our stating the IATNC had formed a Working Group to investigate the merits and what could be achieved by the Council providing a Youth Shelter and to seek the views of the interested parties and those most likely to be effected.

The initial response from our local Policing Team was to explain they had some concern. The fact the Youths' in Ingol and Tanterton repeatedly vandalized the Planters, seats and trees lead them to believe the Shelter could well become another target for ASB and get vandalized.

They advised from their observations the shelters in Ashton and Moor Park along with that at Lea, did not seem to be used extensively.

The Police then posed two important questions :

Who had generated the idea of a Youth Shelter—was it a community initiative ?

Why did the Council wish to provide a Shelter and a facility to for the Youths' causing ASB and vandalizing the assets provided for and to improve the well being of our Community ?

The police team felt that if the Council had funds available for youth projects why not channel the funds into worth-while projects, the youths' could be involved in that could be provided during the school holiday periods. The suggestions being football or other sports coaching , climbing wall activities, trampolining. It was felt this would be a better way of rewarding the majority of the youths rather than pandering to the minority who continually caused problems

Whilst non of the Working Group have yet spoken to the youths, one member took the opportunity to seek the views of some members in our Community a total of twelve the responses, being quote

Your are Joking !

What a waste of money !

Just so that they can wreck it !

I hope its not near my house !

Admittedly these comments and similar came from the more elderly in our Community, however, three mothers waiting outside Poolhouse School for their children of primary school age stated they did not like the idea . They would not let their children use it. One asked where will it be.

In conclusion we feel there will be a lot of ill feeling and opposition from the Community and if the Council wished to take the Project further they should consider calling a public meeting in order to take on board views of our wider community.