



# COPPULL PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

**MEETING: PARISH COUNCIL  
WEDNESDAY 10 JULY 2019 - 7.00 P.M.  
SPRINGFIELD PARK LEISURE CENTRE,  
SPRINGFIELD ROAD NORTH, COPPULL**

**PRESENT: Parish Councillors Michael Atherton (Chair), Marjorie Parkinson (Vice-Chair) Pauline Cobham, Janette Colecliffe, Matthew Crook, Paul Eastham, Elaine Jones, , Paul Taylor, And Susan Edwards (Clerk)**

**1. ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** – Councillors Nora Ball (holiday), Neil Coggins, Steve Holgate (another commitment), Sheila Makin (holiday), Maggie Peel-Impey, Ash Whittaker, District Councillor Alex Hilton and Community Champions, Dorian Pilkington, Marie Malone and Zac Lowe

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – DISCLOSURE OF PERSONAL / PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS** (Members of the Parish Council are reminded of their responsibility to declare any personal interest in respect of matters contained in this agenda, in accordance with the provision of the Local Government Act 2000).

- Councillors Mick Atherton and Pauline Cobham – Item 10.8 – Leisure Centre
- Councillors Paul Eastham and Lynne Moores – Item 10.10 – Allotments
- Councillor Neil Coggins – Item 12.1 – Planning – in regard to email report on planning application 19/00576/FULHH – 60 Clancutt Lane

**2.1 DECLARATION OF GIFTS** – None.

**3. AMENDMENT/APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING DATED 12 JUNE 2019** (emailed/distributed to Parish Councillors)

PROPOSED: Councillor P. Taylor  
SECONDED: Councillor J. Colecliffe

**RESOLVED** - That the minutes of the above meeting be approved as a correct record.

**AMENDMENT/APPROVAL OF THE CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING DATED 12 JUNE 2019**

PROPOSED: Councillor M. Parkinson  
SECONDED: Councillor J. Colecliffe



**RESOLVED** - That the minutes of the above meeting be approved as a correct record.

**THE CHAIRMAN PROPOSED THAT STANDING ORDERS BE SUSPENDED TO ALLOW REPRESENTATIVES OF OUTSIDE BODIES AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ADDRESSED THE MEETING FIRST.**

4. **COMMUNITY CHAMPIONS REPORT** – Apologies received – email report sent to all Parish Councillors. There are apparently two additional Parish Champions who are going around the village from LCC. The Clerk to obtain more information in regard to this.
5. **POLICE REPORT** - emailed to Parish Councillors, but only just received so also read out at the meeting.
6. **COUNTY COUNCILLOR’S REPORT** – None.
7. **DISTRICT COUNCILLORS’ REPORTS** – None.
8. **ITEMS INTRODUCED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC** - Arcon Road – Anti-Social behaviour and drug dealing. A resident had brought up the problems that are being experienced at the moment. Julie Belshaw, PCSO is aware of the problems and action taken is detailed on the Police Report.

**THE CHAIRMAN REIMPOSED STANDING ORDERS.**

9. **NO MEETING OF THE MANAGEMENT & FINANCE COMMITTEE** (Next one scheduled for August 19).

#### **10. GENERAL MANAGEMENT/FINANCE**

10.1 Accounts – presented quarterly – April, May & June’s accounts (to be emailed to Parish Councillors as soon as checked by Councillor Makin) – Clerk & SM. The balance sheet up to the end of June 2019 was distributed at the meeting. Councillor Makin has not been able to check the accounts yet due to holidays by both the Clerk and Cllr Makin, but they will be forwarded as soon as the check has been completed.

10.2 Current and Proposed Village Hall – Report from the Steering Group, Pre-School and grants available.

Steering Group - the report from the last meeting was circulated. A further meeting to be arranged when further information has been received.

Pre-School - Unfortunately, the owners of the pre-school have made a decision to close down the nursery, as it is no longer financially viable, due to there not being enough children enrolled for the September term. It was **RESOLVED** that the Parish Council would not hold them to the terms of their Lease, but that they would have



to pay the remaining rent owing, as the Parish Council still has to pay the running costs.

Grant Funding - there are some grants available for repairs to existing village halls, but unfortunately Parish Council's cannot apply. The village hall would have to be put under separate management as a registered charity. Noted.

10.3 Neighbourhood Plan – Steering Group. A decision has to be made on which parts of the village, or the whole of the village, is to be designated for a Neighbourhood Plan. As a number of Councillors were not present at this meeting, it was agreed to defer this matter to the next meeting.

10.4 Speed Indicator Device (PT) and training. Further dates had been given for the training. Cllrs N. Coggins and P. Taylor to liaise and inform the Clerk of the best date for them.

10.5 Neighbourhood Area Meeting – Southern Parishes (SH) – proposed footpath at Clancutt Lane. LCC has informed Chorley Council that they have no money to put into the proposed footpath. The total cost of the work is around £35,000.00. The Parish Council is being asked if they would be willing to contribute some CIL money to the project, but it has been suggested that the Parish Council may have to pay the whole cost. It is unsure whether the above amount includes a payment to the resident concerned. Cllr Taylor offered to visit the resident and discuss this matter with him. To discuss again at the next meeting with Cllr Holgate, who was present at the Neighbourhood Area Meeting.

10.6 Tansley Avenue Play Area complaint re footballs – quote for netting. A quote of £650 has been received for netting. A further quote to be obtained for non-metal netting, which would alleviate the noise problem which would occur with a metal one.

10.7 Trees on Jubilee Garden – complaint re height (MA). The Chairman has looked at the trees, but feels that the complaint regarding the height is not credible in regard to the resident not having a TV signal, as the aerial in question is an old one. The resident to be informed.

There is still some funding left which needs to be spent soon. A dove cote is to be ordered and it was agreed that another table and chairs (mushrooms type) could be ordered to use up the money.

10.8 Leisure Centre (MA/PC). No concerns at the present time. The painting is well underway and is looking very good. The Manager and Assistant Manager are painting whenever they have some time available. The Friday night situation has improved, as it is holiday time and there are not as many youths around. Also, the Police have been to see some of the parents of the youths concerned.



10.9 Coppull Conservative Club – request for donation towards battery & pads for public defibrillator. The cost of the battery is approximately £260-£280 and the pads approx. £60 per pair. Adults and children’s pads would be required. It was **RESOLVED** to go halves with the Conservative Club on obtaining these, as it is the only public defibrillator in the village.

10.10 Allotments Update (PE). One of the allotment holders is bringing on some bees, although it had previously been decided to wait until everyone had been trained. The committee are giving him 14 days to register and get insurance, otherwise the bees will have to be removed.

10.11 Help with gardens and car pool drivers needed for the elderly/ disabled (MP). Although this was felt to be a good idea, it would bring up a problem with security and insurance. Age Concern could be contacted for anyone who cannot manage their gardens or to arrange transport.

10.12 Revival of gala/carnival in Coppull (PT/LM). Coppull United has offered the use of their premises for an event to take place in Coppull. Lots of ideas have been mentioned, i.e. a 5k run, with stalls and fairground, etc., at the end. However, it was felt that a public meeting would be beneficial to ascertain if there are members of the community who could commit to helping to organise events and also in regard to the Neighbourhood Plan, as this needs to be community led.

10.13 Dog Fouling (to be put on every PC agenda until further notice). No further reports.

10.14 Village Grot Spots (to be put on every PC agenda until further notice). A number of premises were in need of attention and the owners/managers have been contacted.

## 11. DECISIONS MADE UNDER THE CLERK’S DELEGATED AUTHORITY

(After consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair) To appoint a new distributor for the Newsletter – this decision was **RATIFIED** by the Parish Council.

## 12. PLANNING (N.Coggins)

12.1 **Planning Applications:** Councillor Coggins sent in his comments for the following applications which were read out at the meeting and he declared a prejudicial interest in 60 Clancutt Lane. The Parish Council agreed on the following action:

- App.No. 19/00609/FULHH – 51 Preston Road – Single storey side extension – **SUPPORT.**
- App.No. 19/00576/FULHH – 60 Clancutt Lane – Alterations to existing dwelling including removal and replacement of



existing render, alteration of existing windows and door openings and increase extent of driveway to accommodate additional parking spaces – **SUPPORT.**

12.2 **Planning Decisions:** None.

### **13. HIGHWAYS**

- 13.1 Parking Enforcement Requests (to be put on every PC agenda until further notice). The Police has been notified of the parking at the bottom of Lancaster Street, but it is still happening. To also report to Highways at LCC.
- 13.2 Public Right of Way No. FP30 – Poplar Trees at the back of 48 Rectory Drive – update. LCC is looking into whose trees these are. Awaiting a response from them.
- 13.3 Street lights for German Lane – update. LCC has stated that they have no plans to introduce any additional street lighting columns onto their network. It was **RESOLVED** to email back asking if they would consider solar lighting.
- 13.4 Road closure, Spendmore Lane from New Road to Regent Street – Wednesday 10 July until Friday 19 July, between 09:30 and 15:00 Hours. It was noted that Spendmore Lane was not open until approximately 6.00 pm and the suggested alternative route for traffic is via Charnock Richard. Noted.

### **14. CORRESPONDENCE / ITEMS FOR DECISION-DISCUSSION**

- 14.1 Proposed cycle event Manchester to Blackpool, travelling through parts of Coppull – the link below shows the route map:  
[https://www.bike-events.co.uk/ftp/2019/MB2019\\_Final.pdf](https://www.bike-events.co.uk/ftp/2019/MB2019_Final.pdf).  
Travelling down Preston Road, Coppull Moor Lane, Jolly Tar Lane and Wigan Lane. Noted.

### **15. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION / FUTURE DISCUSSION**

- 15.1 Cllr Jones was asked about

**THE CHAIRMAN CLOSED THE MEETING AT 8.10 P.M.**

**Dates of next meetings:**

**WEDNESDAY 14.08.19: 7.00 PM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

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**Councillor Michael Atherton**  
**Parish Council Chairman**

