

## **ECCLESTON PARISH COUNCIL OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES** of the meeting held on 30 January 2020 at Eccleston Community Hub, Drapers Avenue, Eccleston.

Present Cllrs M Miller (Chairman), C Heath, D Miller and H Thomas.

Also present 2 Members of the public.

### 01.20 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllr D Bonney.

### 02.20 Disclosure of Personal/Prejudicial Interests

None declared.

### 03.20 Minutes of the Meeting held on 28 November 2019

Resolved: the Minutes (as circulated) were approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

Resolved: Standing Orders were suspended.

### 04.20 Public Participation

Dog fouling on the path between Larkfield and Bannister Lane and on Bradley Lane was again mentioned. Members will put signs in these areas. Dog waste bag dispensers were mentioned. The Daffodil bulbs have been planted up.

Resolved: Standing Orders were restored.

### 05.20 Millennium Green

Members were happy with the recent works to the area, which would need a little time to settle in. Further works will be carried out in the next financial year and some suggestions were put forward including a water meadow near the pond, a crushed stone path around the Newlands side and removal of the raised bed and remaining Willows. A volunteer day to carry out minor tidying up works was suggested and this will be finalised at the March meeting.

Lancashire County Council had served notice of a planning application to provide a new pedestrian access path to a new entrance at the rear of Eccleston Primary School.

### 06.20 Village Green

Suggestions for improvements were put forward which included resiting the wooden Best Kept Village Plaque onto the large stone and replacing the wooden post with a flagpole and the construction of a stone feature on the grassed area by the seat.

### 07.20 Updates

Village Entrance Sign - the sign has been installed recently. Members queried the possibility of an additional smaller sign on the opposite side. This will be looked into once the invoice for the entrance sign has been settled .

Recreation Ground Seat - the seat is scheduled for delivery next week.

Langton Close Play Area - the developer's solicitor has provided a completed Land Registry transfer form however the Council's solicitor has raised a query regarding the maintenance of the shared access and is awaiting a response.

#### 08.20 Date of next Meeting

The next meeting was scheduled for 27 February 2019.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed.

#### 09.20 Exclusion of the Press and Public

Pursuant to section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, Councillors considered the exclusion of members of the press and public for the following item on the grounds that the item comprises information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person and, in accordance with Part 1 (3) of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, is exempt from public disclosure.

Resolved: due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, Members of the press and public were excluded for the consideration of the following item.

#### 10.20 Hawthorns Play Area

Quotations from three contractors were considered. The proposal from Wicksteed Leisure is to be put to the Council for approval.