

Simonstone Parish Council
The Annual Parish Meeting
to be held on 10th May 2018.
in the Old School, School Lane, Simonstone
at 7.00pm
Agenda

- 1. Apologies**
- 2. The Chairman's Report**
- 3. Approval of the minutes**

I. R. Hirst.....
Clerk to the Parish Council

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- 18/74 **Appointment of Chairman** of the Parish Council for the municipal year 2018/19.
 a **Appointment of vice-Chairman** for the ensuing year.
 b **Appointment of Councillors** to represent the Parish Council on the following bodies for 201/19.

Office	2017/18	2018/19
RV Parish Liaison Committee	David Peat and Graham Meloy with new members attending when available	
L A Local Councils	Coun Peat and Meloy	
Parish Planning areas	As allocated by Chairman	
Governance Panel	David Peat, Geoff Hodbod and Greera Norse.	
Bank Signatories	All members	
Champion for the Elderly	David Peat and Greera Norse	

- 18/75 **Declaration of interests**

- 18/76 **Public Participation.** (open forum on any village matter to last no more than 15 mins. 3mins per speaker).s

- 18/77 **Decision items;**

- a **Nomination** of New Parish Councillors.

- 18/78 **Matters raised from previous meetings;**

- a Coun Hodbod and Norse to report on RSVH progress

- b **Civic Sunday** joint arrangements with Simonstone Parish Council Joint arrangements have been made for the Sunday 3rd June, invites have been distributed to guests.
- c Martholme Greenway LCC response to request We are proposing to complete the works to install new signs and sign posts for the within the next 20 working days. Dated 18/4/18
- d ICO – General data Protection regulation- Statement from the Office notifying parish and others about some changes how member Parish Council deal with data. Changes the legislation due to be put before Parliament shortly

- 18/79 **Matters requested by members**

- a **Royal wedding** on the last occasions there was such an event the Parish Council purchased commemorative medals for the Children at the school and the school had made arrangements for the children to receive, The School has made no arrangements to buy anything for this event.

- b **Neighborhood Watch** the is a recruitment of volunteers who are interested in becoming local coordinators of the scheme. See attached for the task they undertake.
- c **No Cold Calling Zone** The following email was received from a resident signage be posted at an appropriate location to prevent nuisance callers pestering residents in houses on the estate on and around Fountains Avenue”
.. It seems to have been omitted when the avenues off the north of Whalley Road had them fixed up. There is a waiting list for new zones to be set up and the Parish Council needs to apply for an area to become one after making a case for one being set up. It helps if the police can support the application.
- d **WW1 Centenary Commemoration- Ribble Valley BC** Cllr Jim White, the Armed Forces Champion, is seeking to ascertain whether the towns and villages of the Ribble Valley are planning any activity or event to commemorate 100 years since the end of the Great War. Are there have been complementary comments eg RAF flowers.

18/80 LCC Highways – Street Lighting Survey see attached reported matters

18/81 Meeting of Read Parish Council, Councilor Barker to report.

18/82 Planning

18/83 Martholme Greenway Coun Barker and Meloy to report.

18/84 LALC

- a **New Clerks and Councilors Training session July** See attached.

18/85 Spot On. “The Haunted Man” enquires have been made of the availability the United Reform Church and Friday 19th Oct would be free from early afternoon and Saturday 20th October after 3.30pm would the members consider if they would like to confirm the location for the show.

18/86 Finance

- a Accounts for the year 2017-18 for approval.
- b Under the new arrangement audit it is not necessary to forward the details of the Governance Documents as had been done in the past. The Parish Council can self certify the Audit documents themselves having fully completed the audit as before. The Parish Council elect to complete the “Annual Governance and Accountability Return and forward the” Certificate of Exemption”. Proper Practices
- c Auditors report.
- d Appointment or Internal Auditor to for the year 2018-2019.
- e Salary award 2018-19
- f Insurance.
- g Payment of Accounts.

1. Eon	Electricity CH	£19.19
2. Zurich	Insurance	£ 259.
3. L Pickering	Internal Audit	£65.00
4. RVBC	Website	£16.78
5. Ribble Valley CAB	Donation	£150.00

18/87 District Councillor Lesley Graves to report on Highway crossing points

18/88 The next Parish Council meeting is on the 14th June 2018 at 7pm.

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18 APRIL 2018

PBO1-18 I INFORMATION COMMISIONER'S OFFICE STATEMENT ON THE GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATION

The Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) has issued a statement setting out their views on the particular challenges facing the local council sector regarding the General Data Protection Regulation.

This statement of reassurance for local councils by the data protection regulator has been welcomed by the National Association of Local Councils (NALC) and has been prepared following lengthy discussions with NALC and also relevant Government departments:

NALC would urge local councils to continue their preparations and would draw your attention to this particular section of the statement:

"The Commissioner has said previously, that the GDPR is a journey rather than a destination. She will be looking to councils to demonstrate that they are committed to making progress towards embedding the right processes and procedures. She wants to reassure councils that if they have a positive attitude to finding practical solutions to some of the challenges of implementation, they will find a pragmatic, fair and proportionate regulator."

We are also working with the ICO and others to establish sensible arrangements for the requirement to appoint a DPO and will provide further updates '3S discussions progress.

There is a wealth of information on the ICO website <https://ico.org.uk> and NALC's GDPR toolkit and Legal Briefings in the members area of the NALC website provide all you need to get on the journey to compliance

NALC will continue to lobby on your behalf for a proportionate regime for the sector during the passage of the Data Protection Bill. This will be having its final stages in Parliament over the coming weeks and we would urge you to contact your local MP and press upon them the importance of having a system that works for the sector and reflects its size and data usage

Dear Stakeholder

Consultation on street lighting maintenance

We are committed to providing the best services we can to the people of Lancashire, particularly to the most vulnerable in our communities. However the council's financial position remains extremely challenging, with a forecasted funding gap of £144m in 2021/22. Because of this, we still need to make some difficult decisions in order to make further savings.

We are asking for your views on some proposed changes to the services we provide around street lighting. We have been replacing our street lights with LED lights that are expected to work more reliably for around twenty years. They will last much longer than the traditional lamps we previously installed across Lancashire. With these new LEDs being used across our county, we will not need to check and fix our lights as often.

We currently carry out routine inspections when it's dark in every street where we are responsible for maintaining street lights, illuminated signs and/or bollards. We try to visit once every fortnight between October and March and then every month for the rest of the year. As well as the reports currently received from our night inspections, we also receive information from members of the public who notify us through our Customer Access Service, our online 'Report It!!' tool and other sources.

Having taken all of this into account, we are proposing to stop carrying out our night-time inspections. We are also proposing to start carrying out our testing of street lights and illuminated signs on a 10-year cycle rather than every five years.

As well as the routine testing, we would still be carrying out maintenance, as and when faults are reported to us and we would continue to aim to respond to initial reports of faults within five days as we do now.

We know that many people value the services provided by our street lighting team and this is why we value your input with this consultation to help us better understand the effect of these proposed changes on the people of Lancashire.

You can give us your views by completing the online questionnaire at
www.lancashire.gov.uk/haveyoursay

If you have problems opening the above link please cut and paste the following link into the address bar at the top of your web browser:

<http://www3.lancashire.gov.uk/corporate/consultation/responses/response.asp?ID=347>

The eight week consultation runs from Monday 23 April to Sunday 17 June 2018.

Thank you for your time.

Lancashire & Merseyside County Training Partnership

Howick House, Howick Park Ave, Penwortham, Preston, PR1 0LS
 Tel: 01772 750900 E-mail: info@lalc.org.uk

'New Councillors & Clerks' Workshop at Howick House

Mod 1: 14 July 2018 – 9am – 12.30pm

Mod 2: 21 July 2018 - 9.15 am – 12.15 pm

Course fees: £33 module 1, and £30 module 2

PLEASE PRINT DELEGATES DETAILS AND RETURN FORM TO ABOVE ADDRESS

NAME - Cllr/Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms/Clerk/.....

Parish/Town.....

Address.....

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Post Code..... Telephone No.....

Please state which module(s) you will be attending.....

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I enclose a cheque made payable to **Lancashire County Training Partnership** for £.....

Signed..... Date.....

Parish/Town Council.....

We regret that refunds cannot be made for non-attendance

Neighbourhood Watch Scheme

Tasks:

- Act as a key point of contact to receive and cascade information between watch members, other local coordinators and partners, where relevant.
- Manage watch administration, ensuring that the scheme and membership information is registered in line with local policy and kept up to date.
- Signpost members with community safety issues to the most appropriate organisation.
- Promote personal responsibility for community safety by encouraging watch members to improve both home and personal security.
- Promote neighbourliness by encouraging members to share crime reduction information and keep an eye on each other's homes and possessions, giving special consideration to vulnerable neighbours.
- Support public services to identify local issues and solve problems.

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**Ribble Valley Citizens Advice Bureau
19/21 Wesleyan Row
Parson Lane
Clitheroe
BB7 2JY**

Dear Mr Hirst,

I would be grateful if you could bring this letter to the attention of the councillors at your next parish council meetings.

Last summer, we sent you various publicity posters for our service. Thank you for displaying these, it assists people to access our support by phone or in person. Last year over 1300 were supported by us in the 12 months to March 2018 with over 3800 issues. We trust that we achieved our aim to make an improvement in the situation of each person who contacted us.

We provide legal advice on a wide range of issues however most of our work involves benefits and debt problems. We are the only independent agency in the Ribble Valley who is able to provide face to face support to work through these important issues.

I write to request your financial support. We would be grateful for any contribution from your precept you could make to keep our service open. We are now facing financial pressure to reduce our operation. We are passionate about keeping open to support the most in need in Ribble Valley. With the introduction of on line applications for the majority of benefits, the demand for our services is higher than ever.

Any level of financial support would be gratefully received.

Thank you for your kind attention in this matter,

Yours sincerely on behalf of the advice team and trustees,

Katy

Katy Marshall, Manager

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