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MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 19 MAY 2025 AT THE SCOUT HEADQUARTERS, HALL LANE, LATHOM COMMENCING AT 7.40 p.m.

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PRESENT: H Shaw (Chair), E Pope, I Fairclough, A Sherman, L McDonnell, M McDonnell, Parish Clerk D Abram attended.

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TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES

Apologies were received and accepted from A Beckett and Councillors P Hesketh and Gordon.

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COUNCILLORS TO DECLARE AN INTEREST IN ISSUES FOR DISCUSSION

Councillor Pope declared an interest in all the planning items.

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TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 28 APRIL 2024 AND MAY 2024 AGM

It was resolved that the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 28 April 2025 should be approved and signed by the Chair. Any mention of approving the Minutes for May 2024 AGM to be removed as this has previously been approved and signed.

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ISSUES RAISED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

No members of the public were present.

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PLANNING

Applications to be considered:

- a. 2025/0391/FUL – Hazeldene, Blythe Lane, Lathom, Ormskirk, Lancashire – Full Planning Permission for development comprising demolition of existing stables and outbuildings followed by erection of single dwelling (designed and constructed as a self-build); together with associated external works and landscaping (comment deadline 30 May 2025).
- b. One additional application – 2025/0360/FUL – Moss Bridge Barn, Moss Bridge Lane, Lathom, Ormskirk, Lancashire – Retrospectively change the use of the building from agricultural storage to permit general storage uses (use class B8). No building works are proposed (comment deadline 6 June 2025). Agreed a comment to be submitted to the Planning Department.

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CIL MONIES

Parish Clerk D Abram advised that the legal documentation to confirm that the land in Ring O Bells Lane can be developed will be available from week commencing 19 May 2025.

The CIL money awarded following the redevelopment of the Spar Garage Lathom will be received before the end of the month.

All contractors have been contacted in order to provide a quotation for the proposed work in terms of vegetation, hard surfacing and additional bench and further information will be available for the next meeting.

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ONLINE BANKING UPDATE

Parish Clerk D Abram advised that confirmation of our application has been received and some further documentation together with the deposit of £500 has been asked for. It was agreed that D Abram can obtain a cheque outside of the Parish Council Meeting by all Councillors present as and when required to send to Unity Trust.

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FENCING AT PROPERTY IN BRIARS LANE

Councillor Pope provided the address to the property in question. It has been decided to not progress this at the present time.

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COUNCILLOR VACANCY

Parish Clerk D Abram confirmed that the relevant paperwork had been provided to Sheila Martland regarding her application to be a Councillor and is awaiting the completed documentation back.

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SPID CAMERA AND SPEEDING IN THE AREA

Councillor M McDonnell gave a breakdown of details for April from the speed camera (Hall Lane) The Councillors decided to move the SPID camera to Ring O Bells Lane at the end of May 2025 and Councillor M McDonnell will repeat the same procedure for the month of June 2025.

It was agreed that the next movement of the SPID in September is to be decided nearer the time.

Councillor Pope to contact Highway Section at Lancashire County Council to see what information they would need from a SPID camera, etc in order that we are collecting the correct data to submit to them for further action to be considered for various areas in Lathom.

Parish Clerk D Abram advised that we have received correspondence regarding extending the warranty for the SPID camera and all available Councillors agreed to renew the same.

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LATHOM PARISH COUNCIL WORKING GROUP

Councillor Shaw advised that the Working Group wish to send a questionnaire to all residents in Lathom to ask what the Parish Council should be looking into on their behalf:-

The Councillors provided their amendments to the Questionnaire and it was agreed that Parish Clerk D Abram to update the same and email to Councillors.

- a. Councillor Shaw to draft the accompanying letter to be delivered with the final questionnaire.
- b. Parish Clerk D Abram to enquire about pricing for producing 500 pre-addressed envelopes.
- c. Parish Clerk D Abram to enquiry about Business Reply charge with Royal Mail.

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BIODIVERSITY GRANT

Councillors agreed that A Sherman to contact the junior school with regard to the 2025/2026 Biodiversity Grant upon receipt of the same.

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PARISH MATTERSOrmskirk Lodge North (Park) & Wall

Parish Clerk D Abram to give a verbal update at the next meeting.

Spar Garage/Shop

Concern has been raised with regard to the removal of the hedges which are to be replanted and the agreed removal of three trees due to electrical work needing to be carried out.

Street Furniture Maintenance

Parish Clerk D Abram advised that I Waite will survey the current street furniture and assess which items need maintenance. I Waite has been asked to provide a full breakdown of which street furniture needs maintenance and the price in each case for the Councillors to discuss and agree which items are to be maintained.

PROW Maintenance

The Councillors agreed that maintenance work is to be completed and G Snape is to be contacted by Councillor Sherman to maintain the usual areas and include the seating area in Meadow Lane, The bus stops in Lowery Hill Lane and Briars Lane, Sandy Triangle & Wood Lane at an agreed total cost of £500.

Restricted Byway across Hoscar Moss, Lathom

Councillor Fairclough advised that residents near the above have been contacted and advised of the above. Parish Clerk D Abram also advised that Lathom Parish Council had also been contacted. The Councillors noted the notice provided.

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FINANCE

The following accounts was passed for payment in April 2025:

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| Ormskirk District Scout – Hall Hire | 002095 | £ 24.00 |
| Diane Abram salary – May 2025 | 002096 | £275.64 |
| - April 2025 Noticeboards (8 miles @ £0.45 per mile) | | £ 3.60 |
| - April 2025 Street Furniture check (14 miles @ £0.45 per mile) | | £ 6.30 |
| - May 2025 Monthly Meeting (6 miles @ 0.45p per mile) | | £ 2.70 |
| Book of stamps | | <u>£ 6.96</u> |
| | | £ 295.20 |
| PAYE May 2025 | 002092 | £ 69.00 |

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NEXT MEETING DATE

The next Lathom Parish Council Meeting will be held at 7.30 p.m. on Monday 28 June 2025.

The meeting closed at 9.05 p.m.

Signed.....*A. U. Sherman*.....