**Priest Hutton Parish Meeting**

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**Minutes of the Parish Meeting held on Tuesday, September 17th 2019, 7.30pm**

**in Borwick & Priest Hutton Memorial Hall**

**1) Apologies for absence:**

County Councillor Phillippa Williamson, Steve & Anne-MarieLeCheminant,Edwina Shuttleworth, Joan Simcock.

**People Present: 14**

City Councillor Michael Mumford, Martin Shuttleworth, Edward Shuttleworth, Jean & Tony Johns, Phil Horsfield, Peter Simcock **,** Kath Moffatt, Diane Sunderland, Jean Gudgeon**,** Lesley Southwart**,** Ken Dunn**,** Sue & Myles Tatham

**2) Minutes of the last meeting of 28th May 2019**

These were approved as a true record by Ken Dunnand seconded by Diane Sunderland

**3) Matters arising:** not on the agenda - none

**4) Chairman’s Report**

The Chair noted that the Village was looking clean and thanked everyone for picking up litter on a daily basis. Several Villagers reported that litter was being dropped regularly in certain places, possibly by workmen.

**5) Clerk’s Correspondence**

**Received** – the Parish & Town Council Newsletter/information concerning Clean Air Day on June 30th/an email asking us to help raise public perception of the excellent work that our highways service deliver (!!!)/ request from Ken Dunn, the Chair of the Village Hall Committee, for £500 towards the cost of the new War Memorial in the Car Park.

**Cats – (Report by Kath Moffatt)** *Both of the feral/ semi feral cats found wandering in the village in June (Henry and Lady Jane) have now, with support from Cats' Protection, been captured, neutered, received veterinary treatment and been returned to the village. Both were in a distressing physical condition. Of their 4 kittens, only 1 has survived, been neutered and rehomed by someone living in the village.*

*In common with other Animal Welfare Charities, Cats' Protection support a humane programme of Trap/Neuter/ Return which is in line with the 2006 Animal Welfare Act. Neither they or any other Animal Welfare Charity*

*have the capacity to "take in" feral cats.*

*Cats Protection Lancaster and Morecambe would like to inform farmers and others who may use un-neutered cats to keep down vermin, of their free service of Trap/ Neuter/Return. This will help keep the numbers of cats down and minimise unnecessary suffering, in line with the law.*

*Cats Protection are trying to find an alternative home for Henry and Lady Jane. They need to be kept together on a smallholding or in a working stable or similar. If anyone knows of a suitable place they should contact Cats' Protection on the number 01524 850112.*

*Several people in the village have been so very kind and have helped by feeding and monitoring the condition of the adult cats and searching for the missing kittens.*

**Special thanks to Kath & Dave Moffatt for their kind attention to this matter.**

**White lines** – The section of the village roads that was not refreshed on the first visit has not yet been done.

There has been no action at The Longlands. However, there is time yet as we have been told that this will be done out of the 19/20 budget.

**Road Signage** – Some signs have been completed, others not. We are waiting for another sign at the top of Whitebeck Lane, signs on Kellet Lane, and the sign on Upp Hall Lane near the phone box to be re-sited.

**Hedge Cutting** –City Councillor Michael Mumfordhas visited Roger Mason and raised the matter of his overgrown hedges. Roger was very amenable and promised to get his hedges cut.

**Telephone Box** – 2 large BMW umbrellas have gone missing from the telephone box. Please return them if you have borrowed them.

**6) Treasurer’s Report**

The Treasurer, Phil Horsfield, presented a very comprehensive report on our finances. The predicted closing balance at the end the year 2019/20 is £2,853.66.

It was agreed to settle our i.o.u with the church and to donate £500 towards the St Mary’s remodelling fund.

It was also agreed to pay £500 to the Village Hall towards the cost of the War Memorial out of our 2020/21 budget.

**7) PHFLAG**

The chair of PHFLAG, Steve Le Cheminant, sent the following report on progress.

*PHFLAG has continued to make progress (albeit a lot slower than we had originally thought) and the survey that is needed before the council will make a decision on the flooding is now underway.   
A site meeting, including a thorough walk around our village with several members of PHFLAG, and Jacobs (the Manchester based company who have been commissioned to complete a computer simulation of how much water produces flooding) was completed in early August.  
Jacobs have also been sent copies of all our photos and videos of the flooding.  
When we receive the full report it will then be up to the council as to how to fund whatever precautions Jacobs recommend. Villagers will be invited to an open meeting to discuss their findings.  
Other works that have finally been completed (after literally years of chasing) – are the new storm culverts outside the houses on Hutton View at the top of Upp Hall Lane.*

**8) First Responders (ER)**

Attached is a report of the AGM of the First Responders written by Anne-Marie Le Cheminant.

**9) Planning Applications**

***The following were discussed***

1. ***Townhouse – single story extension***
2. ***Gibson House – alteration to plans***
3. ***West View – building of a garage in the front garden.***
4. ***Beckside Cottage -3 applications – 2 for the removal of trees and 1 for the building of a small extension and diversion of the culvert.***
5. ***J.A.Thompson – development of Farm business***

**10) Nature Reserve (MS)**

The 3 benches in the Nature Reserves need re-siting elsewhere in the Village as they are being damaged by the sheep being kept in there for grazing. Ken Dunn and Tony Johns offered to come up with some ideas for re-siting and bring them back to the next meeting. Martin Shuttleworth will take the benches up to his barn, power wash and oil them.

**11) Neighbourhood Watch (TJ)**

There have been reports of burglaries in the vicinity. Please be vigilant and lock all windows and doors when out. The majority of burglaries occur when people leave their houses open.

**12) A.O.B.**

**Helicopters at Greenlands Farm**

The helicopter company are complying with the necessary regulations and there is nothing we can do about it.

**Roger Mace** ,now an Honorary Alderman,has a new website -www.maceonline.co.uk and would welcome feedback from his many friends in the area.

The meeting ended at 9.20 when everyone enjoyed a chat over a glass of wine and nibbles.

**The date of the next Parish Meeting will be the AGM and will be on Tuesday, January 21st 2020 at 7.30 at the Memorial Hall.**

***Jean Johns - Clerk to Priest Hutton Parish – 21.09.2019***

**FIRST RESPONDERS - Report from Anne-Marie Le Cheminant**

***Volunteers and links with local teams*** There is currently one Responder, Eric Rooney, in the village and interest in training from one individual. Our Borwick and Priest Hutton team is supported by the Burton, Holme and Yealand teams. Regular meetings are held of the four teams for training, and in addition Eric Rooney has attended team leader forums to meet with representatives of NWAS. Update training nights take place bi-monthly throughout the year involving the four local teams, and a new NWAS support officer (paramedic) has attended and been very supportive.  Eric says he has benefitted greatlly from these meetings. Topics covered have included: Introducing the new callout communication system /Revision of all the conditions treated by First Responders/Introduction of new equipment, blood pressure monitoring and temperature assessment with a particular focus on Sepsis.

***Callout activity*** The overall number of callouts for the combined area in 2018 was similar to 2017. Calls for the Borwick and Priest Hutton area show an increase on the previous year. In 2018 there were 46 calls to the Borwick and Priest Hutton area which accounted for 32% or approximately a third of calls across the four local teams.  Some of those were to the actual villages, however the majority relate to the holiday parks and static caravan/lodge sites on our periphery. The most common calls are related to breathing problems, chest pain, and to people who are older and already have a condition which is being supported at home by visits from district nurses. The following table shows the statistics.

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| 2016 | 2017 | **2018** |  | 2016 | 2017 | **2018** |
| Calls | Calls | Calls | **Location** | % | % | % |
| 56 | 54 | 48 | Holme | 30% | 36% | 33% |
| 53 | 35 | 46 | Borwick & PH | 28% | 24% | 32% |
| 44 | 48 | 46 | Burton | 24% | 32% | 32% |
| 33 | 11 | 6 | Yealand | 18% | 7% | 4% |
| 186 | 148 | 146 | Total | 100% | 100% | 100% |

***Defribillators*** Three community Public Access Defibrillators remain in place at The Green in Priest Hutton, the Village Hall and at Borwick Hall. They are checked weekly by four volunteers who complete an online form which is submitted to NWAS. This ensures that if NWAS receives a 999 call they can be sure that the defibrillator is still in place and in working order. Thanks to our volunteers for their support in this activity.

***Finances*** During the year, three adult defibrillator pads were replaced, in accordance with the required replacement schedule, at a cost of £125.20.  As the First Responders and other volunteers finance their own out of pocket expenses this payment was the only change in the financial position of the charity. Hence, the balance of cash at bank reduced from £2,317.72 at the beginning of the year to £2,192.52

***Future Heartstart course*** This hands-on course shows you how to deliver basic life support and includes instruction on how to use the defibrillator. It was agreed that, we should see if there would be any interest in attending amongst some of the groups of people (e.g. The Arts Society) that use the Village Hall on a regular basis, as well as from local residents. This approach would help to make the course viable as well as giving a wider group of people life-saving skills.

***Trustees*** Peter Bowker, Dorothy Fell, Anne-Marie Le Cheminant (Secretary) Eric Rooney (Chairman)

Dave Scott and Joyce Tombs (Treasurer)