

LALC Fylde Area Committee Meeting

Minutes

Monday 23rd September 2024, 7.00pm at William Segar Hodgson Pavilion,
Coronation Road, Kirkham.

PRESENT: Cllr. Glyn Stead (Chair) – Little Eccleston with Larbreck Parish Council
Cllr. Peter Collins – Newton with Clifton Parish Council
Cllr. Angela Normanton – Bryning with Warton Parish Council

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1.	<p>Welcome and Apologies:</p> <p>Cllr. Stead welcomed those present but expressed great disappointment with the small number of representatives in attendance. Cllr. Stead advised he will continue to work on ways in which the meetings can be made more ‘attractive’ for all Fylde LALC member councils, to increase participation moving forwards. Cllr. Stead also welcomed Alison Wilkins from Lancashire County Council’s Partnership Development Team.</p> <p>Apologies: Cllr. Gordon Smith: Treales, Roseacre & Wharles Parish Council; John Ashurst: LALC Area Support Officer / Clerk, Treales, Roseacre & Wharles Parish Council; Liz Squires: Clerk, Kirkham Town Council.</p>	Chair
2.	<p>Minutes of the Previous Meeting:</p> <p>It was proposed by Cllr. Collins and seconded by Cllr. Stead to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 18th April 2024 and a copy was duly signed by the Chair.</p> <p>Matters Arising:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Cllr. Stead confirmed that all the actions from the April 2024 meeting had been completed. Laura Worden had kindly provided updates to the Chair (by email) regarding issues raised at the April 2024 meeting and this information is copied below. ii. The signed April 2024 minutes to be emailed to Debra Platt for uploading to the LALC website. 	<p>GES/KAC</p> <p>GES/KAC</p>
3.	<p>Health Equity Welfare & Partnerships (LCC):</p> <p>Cllr. Stead introduced Alison Wilkins from Lancashire County Council (LCC) to those in attendance.</p> <p>Alison explained that part of her role was the day-to-day communication with Town / Parish Councils and maintaining up to date contact lists, with the reliance upon Town / Parish Councils to advise any revisions to contact details. The team’s dedicated email address is: parishcouncils@lancashire.gov.uk</p>	

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	<p>Alison updated the meeting on the LCC Partnership Development team's current initiatives:</p> <p>A. The team are working with LCC Digital Services to develop an information App that can be used for contact lists and the publication of information. Those present agreed this was a positive development that should provide earlier access to information. Things that could be included on the App would be newsletters, Parish Conference information, consultations.</p> <p>B. Alison confirmed the team are aware that one of the major concerns for Parish / Town Councils is the use of the 'Love Clean Streets' App for reporting highway issues. Alison encouraged members to contact the Highways District Lead Officers, or their LCC Councillor, if they are not receiving satisfactory responses from the use of the App.</p> <p>C. Annual Conference: the Parish / Town Council Conference is to be held on Saturday 2nd November 2024 followed by the LALC AGM. The programme for the event is still being drafted and registration information has been forwarded to all Parish / Town councils, with a maximum of 2 representatives from each Council entitled to attend. Some of the Speakers include:</p> <p>(i) Director of Highways: some of the topics to be included in the presentation will be Highways Strategy, Budget, Road / Street Works, Engagement. There will be staffed information stands at the conference for attendees to discuss maintenance, road safety, 'Love Clean Streets', Flooding etc.</p> <p>(ii) Environment & Climate including a Street Scapes presentation</p> <p>(iii) Public Rights of Way</p> <p>D. Parish and Town Council Charter: Alison advised that the Statement of Intention was currently being updated. Cllr. Stead had mentioned at the April meeting that it was felt that the Parish and Town Councils' Charter needed to be reviewed on an annual basis and that more extensive consultation regarding the appointment of Council representatives needed to be undertaken. It was suggested that all Parish / Town Councils be contacted asking for volunteers. Alison confirmed that volunteers had previously been sought at the Annual Parish / Town Council Conference and would discuss the possibility of an email being sent to all members in advance of the Conference.</p> <p>Cllr. Stead thanked Alison for attending the meeting and apologised for the small number of attendees present to hear her update.</p>	<p>LCC</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>AW</p>

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4.	Morgan & Morecambe Off Shore Wind Farm Project: A. Energy Working Group Update: Cllr Collins (in his capacity as the EWG Chair) gave a detailed report on the discussions which had taken place to date, the follow-up actions and resulting outcomes. Cllr. Stead will arrange for Cllr. Collins to present the same information (with any further updates) to the next 'Fylde District Parish Liaison' meeting in October 2024 in order to inform / update all Fylde Town / Parish Councils, regarding this very important issue.	GES
5.	Cllr. Stead advised Cllr. Normanton that her Parish Council would be welcome to nominate a representative to join the Fylde Energy Working Group. District Parish Liaison: Cllr. Stead to email Cllr. Normanton details regarding the October 2024 meeting.	AN GES
6.	Date of Next Meeting: The next meeting will be held on Monday 13th January 2024 at the William Segar Hodgson Pavilion at 7.00pm.	GES/KAC

On 23 Sep 2024, at 14:04, Worden, Laura <Laura.Worden@lancashire.gov.uk> wrote:

Hi Glyn,

Ahead of the meeting tonight, I wanted to send over the responses to your queries from our Highways colleagues. Alison will also have access to this information ready for this evening.

1. Love Clean Streets

1. There are many issues with the app, including;
 1. Issues logged have disappeared without an explanation- *Please can you provide me with some examples/reference numbers?*
 2. Jobs marked as completed when no work has been completed, with no explanation or further steps. -*This was an internal issue with the operations team, closing jobs down before they were completed, this should now be resolved. If you see further instances of this going forward, please report to the Love Clean Streets (LCS) email - lovecleanstreetssupport@lancashire.gov.uk & parishcouncils@lancashire.gov.uk (so the partnerships team can also chase on your behalf), to enable me to look into them for you.*
 3. Once the job has been removed they can't report it again.- *Please can you provide me with some examples/reference numbers?*
 4. LCC has not carried out the appropriate compliance checks with regards to accessibility. – *I believe this was raised with Phil Durnell (Director of Highways & Transport, some time ago and I believed it to have been resolved, if they feel this is not the case, can I ask that it is raised again with Phil Durnell directly.*
 5. Many questions around who owns the system, is it national? Is it our system? Who has designed it and who owns the data? – *I think this question has been asked before, the LCS app is owned by a third party BBIT's, I will seek clarification on the data question & come back to you.*
 6. Many questions around the data. What happens with it? They believe the system deletes everything every 3 months, so no way of tracking previous jobs. – *The LCS App, feeds into our own bespoke system, HAM's which is where the work orders are generated from, this data is not deleted.*
 7. Specific issue around a street which is not listed, they cannot log a job (*I will follow this up separately with Love Clean Streets to get the street listed on the app*) – *Please let me know the outcome as I can raise this if required. – (This has been resolved.)*
 8. Issues with different authorities not communicating/coordinating appropriately. Example was given of drains being unblocked by LCC due to risk of flood, but district council needs to clear the debris away, they don't communicate so this doesn't happen and the debris almost immediately re-blocks the drain. *We have been working collaboratively with Fylde District Council over the last 24 months with joint maintenance operations such as road sweeping and gully emptying on areas within Fylde. This has included letter drops and TM to help the operations in busy residential streets. An example would be Cleveland Road and Talbot Terrace in Lytham gully cleaning and road sweeping operations recently on 29th April 2024.*

2. They have been asked to utilise the Highways District Lead email, but they are also experiencing issues here;
 1. Inappropriate responses "feeling fobbed off." – *I manage the Highways District Lead (HDLT), so if you can please provide me with some examples/reference numbers, I will investigate this for you.*
 2. Long time delays in responses. – *The HDLT have a 10-day Service Level Agreement (SLA), this is to advise you what action is being taken, not to complete the works. I am very concerned that you feel we have breached that SLA, so would be very grateful if, again, you can provide me with examples/ref numbers please.*
 3. They feel they are "passed from pillar to post, without receiving a satisfactory response."- *The Highways District Lead Team provide you with updates, I'm sorry if you feel these are not satisfactory, please can you raise any such issues with parishcouncils@lancashire.gov.uk then we can escalate this on your behalf.*

2. A583 Concerns

1. Many concerns around the speed and width of the road, in relation to the multiple deep potholes that are on it. *(I did experience this myself on my way to the meeting, it is dangerous and frightening!)* - *Due to the road being classified as a High Speed Road, we had to use a High Speed Road Protective crash cushion as a Traffic Management measure, to safely carry out the multiple repairs along the A583. The earliest this could be booked in was 20th May 2024. All the defects were repaired over the following 4 days on the A583.*
2. They believe a community survey has recently been carried out but have not been kept informed of the result.
3. They would like to know what feedback was gathered and what action will be taken as a result.