

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SLYNE WITH HEST PARISH COUNCIL
held on MONDAY 15 DECEMBER 2025 in the MEMORIAL HALL**

3690. **Attending.** Cllr's Antony Obertelli, Andy Burrow, Jonathan Kidd, Alan Connor, Andrew Hartley, David Atkinson, Clerk, Louise Ash.

3691. **Apologies** – none were given, councillor Cohen Kingsley did not attend for the sixth month.

3692. **Minutes.** The minutes of Monday 17 November 2025 were accepted as correct

3693. **Public Participation** none attended

3694. **Reports** Cllr Budden, Cllr Newton attended. Cllr Budden advised that a site visit had taken place regarding plans for new homes on the A6. The matter should be before the planning committee in either January or February at the latest. SWH Councillors asked if there was any news regarding Vale View and were directed towards County Council.

3695. **Declaration of Interests.** There were no pecuniary interests to declare.

3696. **New Items to consider for December 25**

a) **Correspondence was noted:**

- Letter regarding Lune Valley Rural Housing Association and South Lakes Housing proposed merger.
- Anonymous letter regarding planning; unfortunately council will be unable to act upon the content as a parish council has no power to do so, and it is a City Council matter.
- Councillors have agreed to meet with Lancaster City Council Museum regarding the upcoming refurbishment of the local museums.

b) **Signs around the border of Slyne with Hest parish.** It has been noted that there are several signs in our parish which declare the boundaries with Lancaster that are in the wrong location. **Noted** Cllr Kidd will follow up with county council.

c) **Meeting dates for 2026** were **Resolved** to take place on the third Monday of each month except August when there is no meeting.

d) **Resolved;** to carry out the work identified by the new Woodland Maintenance working group. To obtain a quote for the work as soon as possible. **Noted;** To write to the Bowling Club and ask for assistance.

Resolved to fell a dead wych elm tree in the Rec and to use the materials to create a woodland walk. **Resolved** to fell an Elder tree at the Rec **Resolved;** to form a volunteer group to help at the Rec in a similar way to the PROW group.

e) Defibrillator and spares; **Resolved;** for Cllr Atkinson to discuss with the matter with the Memorial Hall committee so that a new cabinet to the value of £500 can be purchased.

f) Memorial Hall matters; Cllr Atkinson shared and it was **noted** that the planning permission for the removal of air vents in the roof has been given.

g) It was **Noted** that the Community Emergency committee meeting was held and some small changes were made to the document. The group have requested a table at the January coffee morning where they will share some information with residents around being prepared.

3697. Ongoing items

Repairs at The Rec; The Zip wire area. The contractor joined the meeting to explain what the work involved to the group. **Resolved** to accept a quote for £2,800 for drainage work around the Zip Wire, and for work to begin on 17/12/25.

Access matters; Teal Bay one way system. **Noted** that Cllr Obertelli will request a meeting with residents, the owner of Cheyette Fitness and other councillors to discuss a solution to the congestion that spills onto the main carriageway.

Pump Track; Verbal Report from Cllr Kidd was received. **Noted;** a site location is being considered on the shoreline between SWH and BLS, a professional assessment of the site is required and Cllr Morley will arrange this. **Resolved** to delegate authority to Cllr Kidd to begin fundraising alongside BLS Cllr Morley.

Cemetery phase two – Resolved - to approve a pre dig of the new area of Garden of Remembrance at a cost of £600; approved purchase of slabs to mark out the plots of up to £8.50 per slab. To approve green waste plans to provide a green waste bin at £46 per year, to establish a compost area and to provide a solution to remove spoil.

Deferred to January Set a date to carry out a topple test, who will do this work, and to approve any identified work to be carried out by either the grave digger or the family who own the grave.

3698. Budget 2026-2027. The Responsible Financial Officer recommended their prepared budget to raise the precept by 7% in order to allow for the cost of the councillors ambitions in 2026-7. After discussion it was **Resolved** To raise the precept by 4.9% to £75,060

3699. Planning Applications discussed. **RESOLVED** Comments be noted online by the Clerk via the Lancaster City Planning portal or direct email No objection to be made.
25/01302/FUL 38 Hatlex Drive Demolish and Rebuild extension

3700. Finance matters

It was noted that,

- i) there have been £30.12 receipts into Nat West since our last meeting and £225.25 into Unity Trust Bank.
- ii) To note on 03/12/2025 the balance of the Reserve Bank account is £35,008.89 and interest applied to the account of £30.13 on 31/11/2025. To note the balance of the Nat West Current account is £12,361.48 . To note the balance of the Unity Trust bank account is £57,650.14
- iii) To note any receipts since publishing the agenda
- iv) To approve the following payments and receipts, including any retrospective items listed.
- v) Envirocare will now be paid via Standing Order not Direct Debit.
- vi) To note; Payment to Proludic should be released.

Regular Payments	£	Receipts	£
Bank Charges	£8.45	Nat West int	£30.12
Printing	£9.99	Tennis Club Rent	£225.25
Mobile Phone	£6.25	Christmas fair	£328.50
Salaries / Pensions	£2,057.62		
Eon Next (MUGA)	£57.62		
Broadband	£44.45		
Easy Website	£36.96		
HMRC (Quarterly)	£0.00		
Rydal Comms	£46.78		
DC Garden	£300.00		
Envirocare	£955.82		
Other payments			
Proludic - zip line	£16,664.95		
Proludic - groundworks	£420.00		
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Trees x3	£138.00		
Christmas Fair / switch on	£60.00		
Tree Survey	£700.00		
Clerks Expenses (travel)	£13.50		
Christmas Fair	£293.60		
R Leisure Ltd	£280.00		
Entertainment	£350.00		
Light up Slyne	£200		
Councillor Allowances	£150		
Mrs Rowlands	£127.26		

3701. Open Spaces

Noted The play park, Muga and Rec were inspected by the Cllr Kidd, no issues were noted

Noted Removal of the Team Swing will take place as soon as possible after rot has been found in the timbers.

3702. Biodiversity and Climate Matters. Noted. A dead tree needs to be felled on the Rec; once the tree has been felled it will be retained in the wooded area. PROW; small repair in the wooded area at Bottomdale Road required a hole in the path needs to be filled, next date is Thursday 12 February 2026.

3703.

3704. Parish Events The Elf trail and Light up Slyne are ongoing

3705. Newsletter The newsletter will go out to residents as soon as possible

3706. Items for future agenda. Fly Tipping, Love Clean Streets, Events, Working Groups.

3707. Date and time of the next meeting 19 Jan 2026 at the Memorial Hall at 7:00pm

3708. Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9:15 pm

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