

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SLYNE WITH HEST PARISH COUNCIL
held on MONDAY 15 JUNE 2026 in the MEMORIAL HALL

3796. Election of a Chair person; Cllr Antony Obertelli was elected as Chair and duly signed the declaration of office. Cllr Obertelli has shared his intention to step down as chair at the September 2026 meeting and invited the other councillors to consider the role.

3797. Attending. Cllr's Antony Obertelli, Andy Burrow, David Atkinson, Karen Kyle. David Atkinson, Andrew Hartley, Jonathan Kidd, Clerk, Louise Ash. City Councillors Paul Newton, and Keith Budden

3798. Apologies

Cllr Connors reason for apologies were given and accepted. Cllr Walsh gave apologies.

3799. Minutes.

The minutes of Monday 18 May 2026 were accepted as correct. *It was noted that a matter that councillors had asked to be included in the next agenda had been missed, the clerk apologised for the omission.

3800. Public Participation

Resident Roma Pattern of the local Bus Users Group was invited to and joined the meeting to discuss the county wide survey that residents, businesses and parish councils have been invited to comment upon regarding the provision of travel around the county.

She was able to explain the service that is provided to the village by Stagecoach and Lonsdale bus companies. Both provide commercial services, there are not protected services. The current level of service to our semi-rural area compares favourably with other areas, the services are well used and remain commercially viable. The councillors thanked Roma for her help, they will use her expertise to help steer their answers about the needs of the village when responding to the survey.

Disruption to Bus Services from 13/6/2026

A resident attended the meeting to discuss the current disruption to bus services due to overhanging tree branches that have damaged bus vehicles.

They were assured by councillors that they are doing all in their power to assist and hope that the services will return to normal routes as soon as possible.

Cllr Hartley has asked Stagecoach about a single decker bus replacement as a temporary measure but has been told by the Operations Manager of Stagecoach Morecambe that there is no fleet capacity at this time to offer this service or they would have gladly done so.

Residents are advised to use Throstle Grove, Hest Bank Lane and Slyne Road where the services have been rerouted until the matter is resolved.

Pump Track

Cllrs Morley and Kitchen of Bolton le Sands parish council attended to discuss the matter of a pump track being sited within the boundary of our two parishes for the use of our young people.

To help move the matter forward they propose that a residents committee is formed so that a fully thought through plan can be developed, sites considered and permissions

sought. Cllr Kidd will help with communications between the committee, BLS pc and the SWH pc.

3801. Reports Cllr Newton and Cllr Budden attended.

3802. Declaration of Interests. There were no pecuniary interests to declare.

3803. Chair Person report. Cllr Obertelli asked for clarification on how a new chair person would be elected, clerk explained the process. Cllr Obertelli reminded the council that they had not yet held a meeting to discuss social media and that there still needed to be fund raising for the Basket Swing replacement being considered. He expressed his thanks to Cllr Walsh for their help regarding getting grass verges trimmed.

3804. New items for June 2026

- a) **Correspondence** received by the clerk
 - Phone call; A resident would like to suggest a bench be placed inside the Peacock Lane bus shelter similar to those elsewhere in the village. **Resolved;** Cllr Obertelli will engage the handyman to install a suitable bench.
 - It is **noted** that a resident emailed regarding the renewal of the Highways white lines. They have since reported via the correct route on Love Clean Streets.
 - It is **noted** that Our Future Coast held an event on 10 June in the Bay with 120 students
 - It is **noted** that United Utilities – operatives doing surveys will be there on various dates in June.
 - It is **noted** that the Neighbourhood Plan web page has been updated to reflect that the NP was adopted after a referendum.
- b) **Noted;** Rental invoices for 2026-2027 have been sent out.
- c) **Noted;** no updates to the Football Club counterpart lease.
- d) **Noted;** The new defibrillator at the Memorial Hall has been installed and added to the network. It has been added to the asset register.
- e) **Decided;** The parish council approved a request from Hest Bank Signal Box for permission to install picnic benches outside the gate of their new STEM classroom on the Foreshore.
- f) **Noted;** That repairs have been made to a bench in the Cemetery and one bench has been replaced; this work has been carried out by the families of those the benches are dedicated to.
- g) **Decided;** The parish council will pay £5,400 towards the cost of insulation at the Memorial Hall.
- h) **Decided;** To purchase artificial outdoor Christmas Trees for use at the Memorial Hall this coming Christmas. This will enable the team who install the trees to operate more safely and efficiently.
- i) **Noted;** Christmas Events at the Memorial Hall are booked for Saturday 5 and Saturday 19 December, they will be run by the Memorial Hall committee.

- j) **Noted;** Logo competition, Cllr Obertelli and Hartley will meet to discuss and feedback to council any new ideas.
- k) **Decided;** Clerk to write to residents about Fly tipping of garden waste at the Rec.
- l) **Decided;** Councils Facebook page should be used to deliver information rather than spark debate; comments will be disabled and communication via email will be encouraged.
- m) **Decided;** To purchase a professional Canva licence for the Newsletter at £100

3805. Working Group Updates

View point sign at the Cemetery council Resolved that a new sign for the gate was acceptable and delegated the matter to Cllr Hartley.

The Rec – Kissing Gate.

Councillors discussed the accessibility at the kissing gate and consider how the area can be opened up to allow easier passage for all. The area is overgrown and untidy, the trees roots catch on pram wheels and wheelchairs. **Resolved;** carry out works to ensure that access for all is achieved.

Strimming around the Zip Wire – clerk to ask for strimming to be done to tidy the area.

3806. Long Term Planning

Cllr Kyle will sketch out a draft plan for 2027 – 2031 in the coming weeks.

3807. Planning Applications

The pc will object to the revised application at Birklands, and has no objection to the application at 11 Throstle Walk.

11 Throstle Walk, Slyne

Single storey extension, loft conversion and dormer.

Birklands, Slyne

Demolish and rebuild

Noted, the following application was permitted

4 Manor Lane

Permitted

3808. Finance

- i) Unity Trust Current Account £9,222.05 and Reserves 95 Day Account £50,162.88.
Instant Access savings account £52,145.97.
- ii) To receive the monthly or quarterly accounts
- iii) To note any receipts since publishing the agenda
- iv) To approve the following payments and receipts, including any retrospective items
- v) To note any transfers listed between bank accounts.

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Regular Payments	£	Receipts	£
Bank Charges	£7.00	Memorial Hall	£5.00
		Kitty Brown	
Printing	£9.99	Newsletter	£80.00
Mobile Phone	£6.25		
Salaries / Pensions	£1,874.03		

Eon Next (MUGA)	£40.00
Broadband	£44.45
Easy Website	£36.96
HMRC (Quarterly)	
Rydal Comms	£66.92
DC Garden	£500.00
Envirocare	£955.82
Other payments	
JMG Electrical - Defib	£232.20
Bank Transfer	£10,000.00
Topiamor Ltd (Rec work)	£2,350.80
Topiamor Ltd (Rec work)	£1,776.00
Clark & Kent - pumptrack	£300.00

3809. Open Spaces

It was noted that the clerk inspected the playgrounds on 1 June 2026 and 9/6/2026. A list of odd jobs around the village was received. **Litter pick** –The parish council thanks all those who helped out.

3810. Biodiversity and Climate Matters

Nothing to report.

3811. Parish Events

The next event is the Quiz on 20 June at the Memorial Hall.

3812. Spotlight Newsletter

It was noted that; Accounts have been prepared and shared with the group showing that there is a credit balance of **£448.09** after all receipts and payments have been reconciled. This balance is currently being administered through the pc accounts and is therefore subject to public scrutiny in the usual way.

Ideas for articles in future newsletters should be sent to shanishaker@gmail.com.

3813. Items for a future agenda

3814. Date and time of the next meeting *Monday 20 July 2026 at 6:30 pm*

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