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Meeting of Waddington Parish Council

The Village Club - on February 11th, 2019

1. Apologies for absence

Present: Coun Doug Parker, Coun Roy Edmondson, Coun Liz Haworth, Coun Michael Colley, Coun John Hilton,

Coun Gil Fisher, Coun Roy Hampson

Apologies: Amy Holden

In attendance: Natalie Cox (Clerk to the Parish Council); Pat Hatherall

Minutes of the last meeting to be approved and signed

Decision: DP proposed, and LH seconded that the minutes of the last meeting be approved as sent out. All were in favour.

3. Borough Council / County Council Updates

No one present and NC asked if all members of the parish council were aware that Paul Elms had resigned as a Ribble Valley Borough Council.

PH, who attended the meeting, was asked if she had come to address the parish council on a specific matter: She reported the ongoing issue of dog fouling in the area in and around the Coronation Gardens. She had been in contact with the dog warden as she was hoping to get an additional bin out in the area for use by members of the public. As the borough council will not provide or empty additional bins PH asked if the parish council would purchase a bin and a member of the Coronation Garden Committee would take responsibility for emptying it weekly. It was felt that the ideal location would near the telegraph pole adjacent to the stepping stones by the gate.

Decision: It was proposed by JH and seconded by DP that a small green bin for dog waste be purchased.

4. Matters arising from the last meeting (not covered elsewhere)

4.1 Website

It was noted that LH, RH and NC had met with Daniel Williams who is responsible for the website to discuss the ongoing issues in uploading items to the website. Sometime had been spent going through the protocol to be followed in uploading the agenda, meeting minutes and other items.

4.2 Village noticeboards

LH had looked at the different options for noticeboards.

Decision: LH proposed, and JH seconded that a new village noticeboard be sited above the bench near the defibrillator if possible.

Action: It was generally felt that a green noticeboard with doors that open out would be a suitable option and that LH was to investigate how much it would cost to have bespoke lettering added to the board. The catalogue cost was £632 + VAT – LH was given the authority to purchase the board with lettering to the cost of an additional £100 without having to get further authorisation from the parish council.

4.3 Security camera for pavilion

GF had provided by email some details about suitable cameras to site in the pavilion; however, it was felt further advice should be sought about the suitability of motion sensor cameras and the model that would provide the clearest images.

Action: NC to contact the company and ascertain what they would recommend; she was given the authority to purchase camera to the cost of an £200 without having to get further authorisation from the parish council.

4.4 "There but not there" figures update

It was generally felt that it was an appropriate time to remove the figures from the village and ask those organisations and individuals who had purchased them to store them with a view to putting them on display again from the end of October in time for the build up to Remembrance Sunday.

Action: LH to ask Cheryl Hook to contact those who had purchased the figures and ask about suitable storage for them.

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5. Village maintenance / Allotments / Planning / Traffic

5.1 Allotments

5.1.1 Plot 2

RH said he had carried out an interim visit to the plot and noted that some items have been moved around however there are still a lot of bags waiting to be cleared.

Action: DP to ring the tenant and advise him that more work still needs to be carried out to ensure he complies with the terms as set out in writing to him by the parish council.

Action: DP, RH & NC to carry out a further site inspection during the second weekend in March.

5.1.2 Vacant plots

NC reported that she was in the process of working through the waiting list to offer out the three current vacant plots.

5.1.3 Letter to Ribble Valley Homes

A letter has been sent regarding the issue with tenants in the neighbouring properties leaving floor on the ground to feed the birds which it was felt attracted rats to the allotments

5.2 Planning

5.2.1 3/2019/0013 Proposed extension to existing detached garage and structural improvements to form annex accommodation (resubmission of 3/2018/0751) at Feazer Cottage Slaidburn Road, Waddington, BB7 3JJ

Sent out prior to the meeting, no objections raised.

5.3 Traffic matters

5.3.1 Bollards from Waddow View

Action: RH to contact LCC about installing bollards with approx. 4" reflector which would be similar to others already installed in the village.

5.3.2 Letter to Queensway / Katy Lane

It was noted that since the letter had been sent there had been some improvements to the parking. RH has copied the letter and will out in on the windscreens of any cars which contravene what the parish council has asked.

5.3.3 Parking signs

DP had contacted LCC highways department about the possibility of replacing a number of parking signs at four specific locations, namely the junctions of Waddow View / Clitheroe Road; Waddow View / Edisford Road; Edisford Road / Twitter Lane and the entrance to the playing field. At the time of the meeting there had not been any response.

5.3.4 Double yellow lines

NC had contacted LCC highways asking for a comprehensive list of the location of all the enforceable double yellow lines in the village; although the request has been noted no information has yet been forthcoming.

5.4 Maintenance

5.4.1 Planters

Decision: JH proposed, and GF seconded that a new trough with three inserts be purchased to be installed at the Clitheroe side of the village and the planters currently in situ be re-located to other sites to be identified.

It was noted that Cheryl Hook and Amy Holden will take shared responsibility for looking after the area of land opposite the Waddington Arms.

6. Parish Questionnaire

It was noted that 25 copies of the report following the completion and analysis of the questionnaire will be made available at the post office and a notice will be placed in the parish noticeboards to that effect. A pdf version of the document will be available via the village website.

SPiD

JH reported that the SPiD has been moved to near the school. Analysis shows that only on one occasion has the speed limit exceeded 30mph with the majority of traffic travelling between 20 and 25mph which suggests that the majority of drivers entering the village generally adhere to the speed limits.

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8. Accounts

8.1 Expenditure and income updated to 17.01.19 (items over £100)

Expenditure (items over £100) Clerk's salary £310.23 New bunting £393.11

Balance: £7735.74

NB for more details about the parish council accounts, please contact the clerk.

8.2 Railings

DP had spoken to Dale Cox about work to paint the railings and he is to consider taking on the work.

8.3 NatWest Business Quick Deposit payments

DP and LH signed the documentation which will enable the clerk to deposit money in the branch without the need for using the counter service.

9. Correspondence (for information unless otherwise stated)

9.1 RVBC

9.1.1 Parish Liaison Committee 31.01.19

DP and JH had attended to represent Waddington Parish Council; they reported that the Police and Crime Commissioner for Lancashire had attended; Diane Rice, the legal advisor for RVBC, had presented some information about the upcoming elections and the way in which boundary changes will affect the wards – further information is available on the RVBC website.

9.1.2 Planning & Development Committee 07.02.19

10. Items for consideration / Information

10.1 Ribble Valley Seniors Forum

An information event is being held on 14.03.19 from 11.30am until 2pm at RVBC's council chambers

10.2 Himalayan Balsam

It was noted that the best time to prune the balsam is in the spring when it has grown about an inch, however there are difficulties to consider regarding spraying near the stream.

It was also noted that the brook beds to be cleared of vegetation in parts to help the flow of water – hand tools can be used for the work and approval from the Environment Agency is not needed.

10.3 Brungerley Bridge

Concern was raised about the Clitheroe side of the bridge and the surface water which freezes.

Action: NC to email LCC highways to bring the matter to their attention.

10.4 Road signs

It was noted that some signage has still not been collected from Cross Lane and has been in situ for almost a year causing an environmental hazard.

10.5 Household Waste Recycling Centres – consultation

Action: NC to send the link to the consultation document by email to members of the parish council.

10.6 Induction of new vicar at St Helen's

DP and GF to attend to represent the parish council at the induction of Rev Christopher Wood on March 4th.

10.7 BKVC

Action: It was agreed that only the Coronation Gardens be entered the competition as a stand-alone feature.

It was again noted that prior to the annual clean-up areas that need targeting will be identified in advance by the parish council.

10.8 PCSO Karl Elliot

A note of thanks had been sent to PCSO Elliot thanking him for attending a previous meeting of the parish council – the comment had been passed to the PCSO and his supervisor noting that his personal file will be accordingly endorsed.

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10.9 Parking near Waddington and West Bradford CE School

Concern was raised about vehicles parking on the footpath and road on the bend as drivers approach the school when spaces are available across the road.

Action; It was agreed that an email be sent to PCSO Elliot asking him to patrol the area around 5.30pm to 5.45pm in the evenings.

The meeting closed at 9pm

All are very welcome to attend Parish meetings. If you would like to be added to the email distribution list lease contact the Clerk, Natalie Cox, at the above address. Thank you.