

Waddington Parish Council

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Meeting of Waddington Parish Council The Village Club – on 13th June 2016

1. To receive apologies for absence

Present: Coun Doug Parker (Chairman); Coun Liz Haworth; Coun Michael Colley, Coun John Hilton, Coun Gil Fisher; Coun Roy Edmondson; Coun Paul Elms

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

2. Minutes of the last meeting to be approved and signed

The minutes of the last meeting were approved and signed by the Chairman Coun Doug Parker.

3. Matters arising from the last minutes (not covered elsewhere)

3.1 SPIDS

Decision: It was agreed to purchase one battery operated SID for now and monitor the battery life, with the possibility of purchasing a second device in due course.

Decision: To send in a grant request to RVBC towards the purchase of the new SID.

3.2 EA – application for vegetation removal

NC reported that she and DP had filled in the form and it has been sent to the EA.

3.3 Recreation Ground Utility Bills

It was noted that the heating element in the referees shower room had been left on when members of WPC carried out a site visit when setting up for the Queen's 90th "Picnic in the Park".

Action: MC to get a key cut for the pavilion door.

Decision: New padlocks to be bought and installed in the meter room.

Decision: NC to contact EON to see how they access the meters for reading as no key appeared to fit the padlock.

3.4 Weeds on The Croft

NC reported that a letter had been sent to Rev Brocklehurst but as yet no reply has been made.

3.5 Capping stones on West Bradford Road

NC reported that she had been back on the LCC automated highways website to see if any action had been taken, but there appeared to be no update.

3.6 CEP

Action: NC to collate numbers and action plans.

3.7 Duck Race

Despite looking on the internet, NC had been unable to find a telephone number for one of the organisers, there was only a Facebook link and email address. Members of WPC said they believed Brian Brookes is still on the committee.

Action: DP to provide a telephone number for the organiser.

Action: NC to ring and ask about the finances from previous events following concerns raised by RV Coun Elms at the annual parish meeting.

3.8 Fire Extinguishers

Following last year's report of the equipment, some items need replacing.

Decision: NC to contact Pendle NuTech about replacing the necessary items at the time of the annual inspection.

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4. Village Maintenance

Concern was expressed about the number of weeds which have appeared over recent weeks, particularly at the top of Branch Road.

Mr Foley had been in contact with NC to express his concern about the state of the bench at the Clitheroe entrance to the village.

Action: DP to contact Alex Silverwood and ask for his assistance.

Decision: DP to mention to Andrew Herd the bench at the entrance to the village and near the defibrillator on the main road.

Decision: It was agreed to give £100 to the Coronation Gardens towards the renovation and maintenance of the seating area.

5. Best Kept Village Competition

Nothing to report, other than judging will be underway!

6. Allotments

6.1 Plot 2 Update

DP reported that the tenant had been sent a letter by WPC following a site visit that had been carried out by himself and RE. Since that time RE has spoken to the same tenant.

Decision: It was agreed that DP and RE will carry out a further site visit.

6.2 Plot 3 Update

DP reported that this plot is now vacant as the tenancy has been rescinded.

Decision: It was agreed that NC will work her way down the waiting list until finding a new tenant for the plot.

Decision: It was agreed that the new tenant be charged a half year's rent of £25 and the previous tenant be reimbursed.

7. Queen's 90th Birthday

Everyone agreed it had been an excellent event which had been enjoyed by all who had attended.

Thanks were expressed to LH and GF for their organisation.

LH reported that she had been in contact with Adrian Hirst to thank him for his efforts on the loud hailer on the day! A Risk Assessment was carried out prior to the event, the insurance premium was extended to ensure sufficient coverage was in place and RVBC had ensured the grass had been cut prior to the event.

8. Planning

8.1 3/2016/0381 Remove overhanging branches from two alder trees. 31 Fern Walk, Shireburn Caravan Park, Edisford Road, Waddington, BB7 3LB.

Decision needed between meetings, agreed with chairman, no objection.

8.2 3/2016/0403 Crown lift sycamore T1 away from neighbour's property and reduce one limb. Waddington Old Hall, Clitheroe Road, Waddington, BB7 3HP.

Decision needed between meetings, agreed with chairman, no objection.

8.3 3/2016/0382 Removal of existing conservatory and erection of single storey extension to side. 44 Waddow Grove, Waddington, BB7 3JL.

Decision: No objection.

8.4 The Outbarn

It was noted that the application is set to be heard at RVBC on June 30th.

9. Accounts

9.1 Expenditure and income update from 9/5/16 to 10/6/16

Expenditure

Additional expenses for running the WPC office £216

Printing – for AGM / Picnic in the Park £77.03

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RVBC – grass cutting	£1246.78
Clerk's salary	£310.23
<u>Balance</u>	£20,063.57

10 Correspondence

10.1 RVBC

10.1.1 Parish Liaison Committee

DP and JH had attended representing WPC. It was reported that there had been a presentation on Primary Care and in particular focussing on how the East Lancs Clinical Commissioning Team will be provide a seven day access to GPs via the use of "hubs" and walk-in centres.

Information had also been presented by LCC's Head of Asset Management regarding the future of the county's buildings including Whalley and Chatburn Libraries.

10.1.2 Fly tipping

RVBC is to crack down on fly tipping with on-the-spot fines.

10.2 LCC

10.2.1 A poster has been sent to display in the WPC noticeboards about a new Foster Carer recruitment campaign.

10.2.2 Consultation will be taking place on the county's Property Strategy.

10.3 LALC / NALC

10.3.1 WPC had sent its apologies to the Ribble Valley Area Committee meeting which had taken place in West Bradford.

10.3.2 The NALC has sent information from the Queen's Speech regarding Neighbourhood Planning.

11. Borough Council update

PE reported that results for the EU Referendum will be given on a borough and district level.

He also added that plans for the former Moorcock Inn site are being drawn up.

In future PE and BH will attend WPC on alternate months.

12. AOB

12.1 DP reported that RVBC has inspected a property in the village in relation to its frontage and rear yard.

12.2 Parish Christmas tree

Decision: It was agreed that NC will write to Dove Syke Nursery offering its condolences on behalf of WPC following the death of Mr Creighton.

12.3 Pavilion

Following the event at the weekend on the village playing fields, it was agreed that some work needs to be carried out at the Pavilion. It was also agreed that parts of the building on first inspection had clearly been untended for some time and are in need of a thorough clean and in some instances repairs need to be carried out – the toilet on the right hand side was broken.

New guttering and downspouts are needed, some repainting is needed and once the building has been brought up to the required standard and then WPC members will carry out routine inspections to ensure the upkeep is maintained.

Action: DP to ask Andrew Herd to have a look at the work which needs carrying out.

Decision: NC to write to the chairman of the cricket club and football club regarding the state the toilets and pavilion had been left in prior to the weekend.

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