

# Waddington Parish Council

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## Meeting of Waddington Parish Council The Village Club – 7.30pm on 14<sup>th</sup> March 2016

### 1. To receive apologies for absence

#### Present

Councillor Doug Parker (Chairman); Councillor Roy Edmondson; Councillor Liz Haworth; Councillor John Hilton  
Councillor Gil Fisher; Councillor Paul Elms; County Councillor Albert Atkinson

#### Apologies

Councillor Bridget Hilton

#### 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 Councillor Doug Parker.

### Item 12 - Borough Council Update was brought forward on the agenda.

PE reported:

- The Cultural Services Committee is due to meet on Wednesday (March 16<sup>th</sup>) to discuss grants that will be awarded locally.
- Further discussion and a review is due to take place concerning the future of the former Moorcock. Current plans are for one large house, with previous applications seeking permission respectively for seven and three dwellings on the site. PE said the need for smaller properties fits with borough's Core Strategy, however planning officials had said plans for multiple dwellings was not sustainable. PE will report back that WPC has never had any objection to any of the plans that have been submitted for the site.
- The application for Thornber Mill is due to come before the Planning Committee this week. The plan is recommended for refusal due to the lack of parking spaces. However, PE said he believes RVBC should be trying to find a solution to encourage business development in the borough.
- RVBC has approved its budget – as a result Council Tax will rise but only marginally, however further changes will follow in the next four years.

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

#### 3.1 SpIDS

NC received a quote from one company which provides battery operated SpIDS, but only solar powered CA speed signs which display the speed of the road together with a "slow down" message. Both units are quoted in the region of £2.700.

NC has requested two further quotes from companies advertising solar powered SpIDS

**Action: NC to continue to pursue two further quotes for solar powered SpIDS.**

#### 3.2 Community First Aid event

It is anticipated that around 10 people at least will be in attendance at the Heartstart course.

**Action: LH to take photos to be used on the WPC website and to send to the Clitheroe Advertiser.**

#### 3.3 Neighbourhood / Parish Plans

NC has received further communication from Simonstone Parish Council.

**Action: NC to continue to look at the parish plan that has been received.**

#### 3.4 LCC bus service

County Coun Atkinson reported that money that had been set aside to fund the parish-based options has been re-routed to help subsidise certain routes for 12 months.

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No further information has been received from neighbouring Parish Councils regarding a meeting to discuss the best way forward.

### 3.5 The Outbarn – update

NC had been in contact with RVBC and been told that the application is expected to be withdrawn and resubmitted in due course.

JH reported that LCC has no plans to recommend Quiet Lane status to locations currently due to the costs involved. However, Standen Lane might be considered due to the recent accident and plans to build additional housing in that area of Clitheroe.

### 3.6 Recreation ground utility bills

**Decision: NC to contact MC to follow up investigation into the meters.**

## 4. Police Newsletter

The March Rural Community Newsletter reported the following:

- During the early hours of 21/2/16 a property in Waddington had two large (10x8) windows smashed.
- Court Result: If you remember, a diesel 'wood chipper' was stolen from a farm outbuilding in the Waddington area in July last year. I can now report that a male from the Accrington area has been convicted of the burglary. The male received a suspended sentence and is required to carry out unpaid work along with a compensation order being made – Result.

### 4.1 Website

PE asked councillors to note the website [www.stayintheknow.co.uk](http://www.stayintheknow.co.uk) which provides useful local information.

## 5. Village Maintenance

### 5.1 Lengthsman

NC had received information from the LALC regarding contracts for Lengthsmen relating to hours worked, insurance, accountability etc.

**Decision: It was agreed that Andrew Herd be utilised as the Waddington “handyman” carrying out work on an “ad hoc” basis.**

### 5.2 Holden Clough Invoice

NC had spoken to the previous clerk to ascertain the position relating to the area surrounding the War Memorial. She confirmed that historically Holden Clough have maintained the War Memorial and its surrounding planters.

**Decision: It was agreed to pay the £252 invoice, but also to seek further information from Pat Hatherall and the Coronation Garden Committee regarding the thin strip of land to the rear of the War Memorial.**

*N.b. Following the meeting of WPC NC spoke to PH. She confirmed that Holden Clough maintain the planters around the base of the memorial, but the strip of land behind it (on the brook side) is currently weeded and planted by the Coronation Gardens Committee to keep it tidy. She also said that Holden Clough maintain the bed near Ramsden Terrace.*

### 5.3 Best Kept Village Competition

#### 5.3.1 Entry for 2016

NC reported that the entry criteria has changed for the 2016 competition and only 10 entries can be submitted for the Certificate of Merit instead of 12 as in previous years.

**Decision: It was agreed not to enter the Parish noticeboard or the playing fields this year.**

#### 5.3.2 Village “walk round” and tidy up

PE reported that RVBC will supply free bin bags for “clean ups”.

**Decision: It was agreed to organise a “Clean for the Queen” to coincide with a general village tidy-up prior to judging for the Best Kept Village Competition.**

**Decision: The date for the village clean-up will be set at next month’s meeting and then advertised accordingly.**

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Please note: any issues with highways can be reported to Lancashire County Council by using the following "Report it" link: <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/roads-parking-and-travel/fault-search.aspx>

## 6. Planning

**6.1 3/2016/0129 Backridge Farm, Twitter Lane, Waddington, BB7 3LQ:** Prior notification of change of use of agricultural building to a flexible use.

**Decision needed between meetings – agreed with chairman that "no objection".**

**6.2 3/2016/0136 West End Lodge, Edisford Road, Waddington, BB7 3HU:** Fell silver birch.

**Decision needed between meetings – agreed with chairman "no objection".**

**6.3 3/2016/0143 22 Church Close, Waddington, BB7 3HX:** Proposed single storey extensions.

**Decision needed between meetings – agreed with chairman "no objection".**

**6.4 3/2016/0163 Ex police mast, Waddington Fell, BB7 3AA:** Replace 1 existing antenna with new antenna, install three equipment cabinets and two dish antenna.

**Decision: It was agreed that there would be "no objection".**

## 7. Allotment update

NC reported that the two vacant plots have now been taken by new tenants.

Discussion followed about the criteria to be fulfilled to warrant a place on the waiting list as some of those who have inquired about allotments recently are not (or no longer) Waddington residents.

**Decision: It was agreed that as of 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016 those who are currently on the waiting list will remain, but in future Waddington residents will be given priority.**

## 8. Community Emergency Plan

JH reported that he had purchased hi-vis jackets for all members of WPC, together whistles on lanyards, a loud hailer and a dozen hi-vis vests.

It was suggested that the items could be worn at various times e.g. the village clean up and/or Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> Celebration in a bid to raise the profile of WPC in the village.

**Decision: It was agreed that the items need to be kept centrally and RE agreed to store them.**

## 9. Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday celebrations (June 11<sup>th</sup>)

### 9.1 Celebration

LH has been in contact with Slaidburn Silver Band who are available at a cost of £180 to play.

LH also reported that Bowland Brewery will provide their "brewery bus" and ensure the necessary licensing is organised. She is also trying to secure the services of a face painter.

It is anticipated that there may be a need to clear the field after the event if a cricket tie is to be played the following day.

**Decision: It was agreed that LH confirm the booking of Slaidburn Silver Band.**

**Decision: It was agreed that the event will be a community event and as a result no entry fee will be charged.**

**Action: Further consideration will be given nearer to the time to the need for stewards.**

### 9.2 Commemorative medals

NC had been contacted by Tower Mint Ltd who are selling commemorative medals to mark the occasion.

## 10. Accounts

### 10.1 Expenditure and Income Update from 8/2/16 to 13/3/16

At March 13<sup>th</sup> 2016 the balance was £9776.93.

### 10.2 LALC finance workshop

NC reported that the workshop had been very informative and has resulted in the need for some WPC paperwork to be updated. Further consideration will also have to be given to the introduction of the Transparency Code which will affect how small parish councils' finances are reported in future.

### 10.3 Waste Transfer Notice

**Decision: It was agreed that the notice be signed and returned to RVBC.**

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## 11. Correspondence

### 11.1 LALC

#### 11.1.1 Workshops for 2016

NC reported that the LALC holds a variety of training courses throughout the year.

**Decision: NC to circulate the list of available courses for councillors to consider.1**

#### 11.1.2 Conference

The LALC conference will take place on May 14<sup>th</sup>.

#### 11.1.3 Local initiative fund

The application deadline is 21/3/16.

## 11.2 RVBC – Minutes and Proceedings of the Council & Planning and Development Committee

Both are available for inspection by members of WPC.

## 12. Borough Council Update (refer to earlier item)

## 13. AOB

### 13.1 Parking issues

**Decision: It was agreed that a general letter relating to inconsiderate parking be collated and circulated to councillors to be used at their discretion.**

*N.b. Councillors who issue the letters must notify the Clerk of the time and date the letter is issued, as well as the registration number of the vehicle in question to ensure an up-to-date database can be compiled centrally.*

### 13.2 Environment Agency

DP reported that he has received communication from EA relating to the gravel survey which has been carried out. As a result no work is planned, but the brook will continue to be monitored annually. However, WPC's continuing concern is not the gravel, but the vegetation in the brook. DP reported that to undertake any work to clear the vegetation an application has to be sent to the EA.

**Decision: It was agreed that the form should be completed by NC and DP before being sent to the EA.**

**Decision: A letter be sent to the EA as a response to the findings raising further concerns about the vegetation.**

### 13.3 Fingerpost

RE asked what the current situation is relating to the damaged fingerpost outside the Post Office

**Action: DP to contact Duncan Armstrong.**

### 13.4 Duck Race

General discussion followed about where the monies raised by the Duck Race in 2015 had been allocated. It is believed that the event is due to take place again in 2016.

### 13.5 Dog Fouling

**Action: It was suggested that WPC have a campaign against dog fouling and that posters are displayed in the village and via the village website.**

**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.**