Grindleton Parish Council

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Minutes of Grindleton Parish Council

7.30pm 11 October 2011 in St Ambrose Parish Rooms, Grindleton

Chair: The chair and deputy being absent it was proposed by C Doherty and seconded by J Marshall that P Entwistle be the chair. There being no further nominations P Entwistle took the chair.

Present: Cllrs P Entwistle; C Doherty; J Marshall; K Hutton.

In attendance: Mr G Cooper; and Mr EB Holden Clerk to the Council.

Apologies:

Cllrs J Cowling, J Pye, and Councillors M Ranson B Hilton(RVBC)

1. To approve as correct the minutes of the 2 August 2011 meeting.

The minutes were accepted as correct and duly signed.

2. Matters arising from the minutes.

The two benches, or parts if necessary, are to be ordered. Attempts were to be made to cover the costs of the one on Whitehall Lane.

RVBC had invited a member to attend the planning meeting on 13 October to present our reasons for the rejection of the planning appeal regarding Laneside Farm. It was agreed not to pursue this.

The clerk reported that he had contacted the acting enforcement officer regarding the wall on Back Lane. To date no reply had been received.

3. Declarations of Interest.

There were none.

4. The proposed path from the Almshouses to Bowland School.

Permission has been granted for a permissive path by one landowner, Mr N Hutchinson and this will be followed up. Other relevant landowners were to be contacted.

5. Allotments.

It was agreed that the rent would be arranged on a price per square yard, the total income being the same as the previous year. The water charge would also be proportionate.

A letter would also be sent to Helen Dewhurst enquiring if she still required to keep the second plot.

6. The proposed Pavilion use.

It was agreed that the council would continue to use the present facilities on a cost conscious basis.

7. The Queen's Diamond Jubilee mugs.

It was agreed to pass the information onto Anne Huson.

8. Bulb planting.

It was agreed that J Marshall would contact the Rotary Club to facilitate the supply and planting. Also Bowland School and Grindleton C of E Primary School would be contacted to see if this could fit in with their curriculum.

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9. Lancashire Fire and Rescue service.

It was agreed that the council would not enter into their consultation plan.

10. Financial matters.

The clerk reported that the council had received a concurrent function grant of £590.46. The clerk presented an expenses account of £3.50 along with £10 from the April meeting which had been granted but not received.

11. Update from the clerk.

The clerk reported that the council was not responsible for corporation tax.

The annual return from the auditors had been successfully completed. The Annual Return was approved and accepted. The one issue the auditors noted was a lack of a budgetary process. In future years we must ensure that an adequate budget is prepared to support its decision making process, and to assist the financial management during the financial year. We must regularly review, and ensure this review of the budget against the actual income and expenditure is minuted

The clerk was instructed to write to the Boundary Commission objecting to the proposal to remove Ribchester, Alston, Thornley, Dilworth, and Chipping from the constituency.

12.AOB.

The possible purchase of a speed sign, the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Beacon and coins be placed on the next agenda.

13. Date of the next meeting.

This would be at 7.30pm 13 December.

The meeting closed at 8.55pm.