

Grindleton Parish Council

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Minutes of Grindleton Parish Council 12 October 2010, St Ambrose Parish Room, Grindleton

Present:

Councillor J Cowling (Chair) (JC),
Councillor J Pye (JP)
Councillor P Entwistle (PE)
Councillor C Doherty (CD)
M Ranson (MR)
Councillor J Marshall (JM)
Councillor J Towler (JT)
Councillor Keith Hutton (KH)

Apologies:

B Hilton (BH) – (RVBC),
Graham Cooper (GC)
ECSO S Hartley

In attendance:

Carol Baird (CB) – Clerk to the Parish Council

1. To approve as correct the minutes of the previous meeting on 18 August 2010.

The minutes of the previous meeting held on Tuesday 18 August 2010 were approved. They were proposed and seconded.

2. Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting:

Historical Stile – raised at the AGM

A stile was badly damaged located at the South Western corner of the Millennium wood adjacent to the land owned by the Hanson Group. JC received a quotation for fixing the stile of £900. CB wrote to the Hanson Group to ask for a donation towards the cost of repair. A contribution of £300 was offered and accepted and has now been paid into the bank account.

ACTION

CB has sent a letter of thanks to the Hanson Group
JC offered to photograph the repaired stile and CB to send a copy to the Hanson Group.

Councillor Vacancy

Keith Hutton has accepted the vacancy for the new Councillor position. He signed the appropriate forms and his details can now be added to the website.

Foul Smelling Drains @ Sunnymeade

- this issue has been resolved

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Historic Signposts

There is a proposal to have a historic signpost in the middle of the village by the Cherry Trees. The design of the post is a circle on top of the signpost with three fingers signposting off. Three fingers would come off the post. It was proposed that there should be the wording 'Grindleton' on the top of the post rather than 'West Riding of Yorkshire' as was originally suggested. There was a discussion re possible grants as LCC may contribute £700-£800.

ACTIONS TAKEN:

CB called Martin Charlesworth to confirm the LCC contribution.

CB discussed further with Mike Otter and a confirmation of a £425 grant has just been received.

Street Signs

Peter Entwistle had a meeting with Nigel Corrigan – there is enough money to pay for £750 worth of signs (approx ten signs) similar to those on Harrison Terrace. The decision was made to go for the more expensive cast iron ones. Cast iron letters are £9.50 each. Replacements can be done on a rolling programme. A list of street names was discussed. Match funding is needed from RVBC. MR raised the issue of the Gazetteer at RVBC who is currently investigating street names and numbers.

ACTION

The following street signs were agreed in the following priority order.

Main Street, Sawley Road, Grindleton Brow followed by the Terraces - order to be decided.

It was agreed the Council will match fund the RVBC contribution of £750.

3. Planning Applications:

Since the last meeting the following applications have been dealt with.

Bowland High School – no objection to all weather pitch

Bank House Sawley – to renew planning consent

Main Street – three affordable houses – the Council objected to this application.

Methodist Church planning - refused

Applications discussed at this meeting: - no applications have been made recently.

ACTION – The Clerk will update future meetings on the progress of current planning applications; whether they have been accepted /rejected by GPC and/or RVBC and their current status.

4. Matters Arising at this meeting:

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Core Strategy Meeting – JM gave the meeting an update on the Core Strategy meeting attended last week. There were three options available and JM outlined each one. MR added the fourth option of a.n.other strategy, and outlined the process after the core strategy public consultation has ended.

ACTION

JM and JC to write a letter before 20 October deadline containing the following views:

- If the traffic through the village has to be increased then the main access route through the village has to be improved. This would be off Main Street.
- The infrastructure would also have to be improved to take account of any increase in population.
- Other views tbc. Copy of letter available at the next meeting from JC/JM.

5. Financial Matters

Income:

The Precept for £7500 has been paid into the Bank Account.

The donation from Hansons Cement re the broken stile £350 has been accepted.

Expenditure:

The following items were paid:

	£
BDO Audit fee	141.00
United Utilities – water - monthly	7.20

Clerk update on current financial issues :

VAT – the Councillors were updated as to the current situation. The VAT is being completed and refunds are to be applied for. CB raised the issue re the lack of invoice for the stone table from Waddington Fell Quarry.

6. Reports from outside committees: -

Recreation Ground

The bonfire night will take place on the ground. The changing rooms are hoping to be re-newed. JC is leading a boundary walk to raise money for the village hall.

Allotments

No problems to report.

Grindleton Consolidated charities

Connection to electricity will be happening shortly.

£15,000 per house is being given by RVBC.

Completion dates are imminent.

Local Association of Local Councils

PE updated the meeting on a new website re consulting villagers. Information to be passed to Graham so that there can be a link from the GPC website.

ACTION – PE to update GC

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Foothpath to Bowland school – there is no verge for children if they walk the half mile to Bowland High. CD raised the issue and that it should be reviewed regularly to try to solve the problem. At the last meeting there was a discussion re who the landowners are. PE has been investigating this further. It was thought that the landowners include the Church, School, Colin Sutcliff and other landowners.

ACTION - PE has been investigating landowners and PE and JC to organise a separate meeting to discuss further. PE asked for CD to arrange a meeting with the Head of Grindleton and Bowland schools. PE to raise the issue with LCC to discuss further and approach the landowners. PE to approach the rural champion at LCC. To be on the agenda for next time.

Main Street Grindleton – issue re road surface

LCC have a rolling programme of improvement. CB investigated with LCC and applied for Main Street to be added to the waiting list for repair.

Ditch on Smalden lane, North of Scriddles Farm, just before the brow of the hill.

CD raised the issue of vehicles getting stuck in the ditch despite it having been drained lately.

ACTION – CB to contact Peter Finch

Ribble Lane in Chatburn Parish

The saplings need cutting down again.

ACTION – CB to contact Peter Finch

Parking in Chatburn by the Post Office

This is becoming a concern for GPC residents.

ACTION – CB to write to CPC.

Meeting Dates

The proposed next meeting was suggested as 7th December, but we are awaiting confirmation from D Mewis. Dates for 2011 proposed meetings were circulated.

7. A.O.B.

Spiid sign update

CB has spoken to West Bradford Clerk re the Spiid sign. PE offered to collect the sign which is currently in Chatburn and Grindleton will have the sign for at least the next three months.

ACTION - CB organised with the other Parishes a rota for the Spiid sign.

There was no other business and the meeting closed at 9.05pm.

**Please note that the date of the next meeting is tbc as
Tuesday 7 December 2010 at 7.30pm.
ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.**

Approved: Signed:.....

Date: