Grindleton Parish Council



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Minutes of Grindleton Parish Council

7.30pm 1st July 2021 in the Pavilion Main Hall

Present: Cllrs Lorraine Halley; Chris Dumon; Keith Hutton; Peter Raywood; James Towler. In attendance; Eileen Flatley and Cllr Kevin Horkin

1. Apologies for Absence

Alan Fielding

2. Minutes from last meetings

The minutes from the last meeting were approved and signed.

3. Matters arising

AONB sign – to be installed next week

PNFS – Cllr Hutton has contacted RVBC regarding costings for path improvements Allotment paths – to continue with Darren strimming as necessary.

Kissing gates for the river footpath – Mark Woolfenden aware and will install

4. Declarations of Interest

None declared

5. Public participation

None present

6. Income and Expenditure since the last meeting

Eileen Flatley explained that the bank balance was £24,796.83. Main expenditure £750 for the Lengthsman and £116.25 for plants for the tubs. VAT refund of £153.83

7. Councillor Vacancy

Two members of the Parish have expressed an interest in becoming a Councillor. Eileen Flatley to write to them asking for a pen picture of themselves to be emailed to Cllr Hutton within 7 days.

8. Parish Clerk position

The Councillors have been asked to consider anyone who might be interested in becoming a Clerk. Cllr Dumon to approach Dave and Sarah Riley.

9. Receive update from RVBC

Newly elected Cllr Horkin was welcomed to the meeting. He was able to update the Council on the HARP project in that the proposed plans UU had put forward, had not satisfied the County Council's highway department. Therefore, the full plans would not be submitted till late summer. He also commented on the Boundary Commission for the North West, explaining that the Ribble Valley will remain intact.

10. Update regarding the HARP project

There has not been any further contact or information from Chris Tighe or his team and so far, no plans have been submitted. It was agreed by all the Council to continue to engage with residents and ensure they are aware of the proposed development.

11. Update regarding LBKVC

Cllr Halley reported that Darren was continuing to sweep and weed regularly around the village. It was not clear whether the judges had visited the village yet.

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12. Refurbishment of the telephone box

The phone box is still in need of shelves, and making water tight. Cllr Hutton to speak to Cllr Fielding to see if this can be addressed asap.

13. Claim for the SID

Cllrs Hutton and Dumon to test the SID again and take photographic evidence that it does not work, then to proceed to making a claim through the courts.

14. Donation for the Little Green Bus

It was agreed to make a donation of £200 to this charity. Proposed by Cllr Halley and seconded by Cllr Dumon.

15. Boundary Commission

This was discussed on item 9.

16. Planning applications

There were no objections for the planning applications at Greenbanks Farm and Bank Top Farm.

17. Accounts for payment

The following payments were approved and authorised.

- Clerk's salary £336.96
- L Halley laminator pouches £5.99
- GRGC room rent £12

18. Update from other village organisations

No further news from GCC or GRGC

19. A.O.B

The benches at Hydro Lodge and the bridge both need to be repaired. Cllr Towler to source some wood.

There is a stone post at the top of Whitehall Lane which needs to be fixed in the ground. Cllr Hutton to liase with Robert Birch regarding the siting of this.

Cllr Halley suggested having a list of a group of volunteers from the village who would be willing to help with practical jobs and general maintenance, as a few people have already stated they would be willing to help.

The PC have received an email from Tony Cann regarding some issues about land that belongs to Paul Platt on Chapel Lane about parking his work-related vehicles, changing the gate opening, taking space from the Lane to build a wall and blocking the entry. He has asked if the PC would take this up with the Local Authority. The PC did not feel Mr Platt had contravened any laws and that if Mr Cann or anyone else wanted to take this matter further, to contact the planning department at RVBC directly.

The meeting closed at 9.05pm. The next meeting will be on Tuesday 7th September 2021 in the Main Hall at the Pavilion.

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