

Minutes of Grindleton Parish Council

7.30pm 1 March 2016 at St Ambrose Parish Room, Grindleton

Present: Cllrs K Hutton (chair); P Entwistle; J Towler; L Millard; and one member of the public.

1. Apologies for absence.

Cllrs G James, J Marshall, K Hughes, RVBC B Hilton.

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

These were accepted and signed.

3. Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting.

Following item 12 it was reported that one hedge had been cut back.

4. Declarations of interest.

There were none.

5. Public participation.

A discussion on grant allocation took place.

6. Planning applications.

There were no major applications.

7. Grant applications:

- Grindleton Recreation Ground Charity – grass cutting and notice board. It was agreed to donate £780 and £500 respectively.
- Grindleton Local History group. It was agreed to donate the sum of £200.
- Appraisal and signing of Grant Approval form by councillors. The grant of £500 for a Pavilion notice board from RVBC was accepted and would be forwarded to a ward councillor for their approval. The remainder for bulbs, planters, and benches would also be forwarded for acceptance.

8. Financial matters : expenditure and income since the last meeting.

The clerk requested payments to be made to: St Ambrose PCC £10; EB Holden £388 (April payment); HMRC £97 (April payment); Grindleton Local History Group £200; and LALC £149.51 (May/June).

9. Consideration of audit options for 2017.

After careful discussion, particularly on accountability, it was agreed to opt out of the SAAA scheme (Group 4).

The clerk would notify that decision to the relevant authority.

10. Consideration of entry into Lancashire Best Kept Village competition.

It was decided not to enter this competition.

11. The Queen's 90th Birthday Commemorative Medal.

It was agreed to purchase a number of medals, the required quantity to be communicated to the clerk.

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12. Future of the bus service provision.

It was agreed that the date of representation having passed no further action would be taken at this stage pending further discussion with West Bradford and Chatburn parish councils.

13. Update from the clerk.

There was none.

14. Reports of the Grindleton organisations.

GRGC: It was reported that the resurfacing work on the playground would proceed. Also talks were ensuing on making the sports day an extended event to celebrate the Queen's 90th birthday.

GCC: It was reported that the property on Pendle View would soon be purchased.

Grindleton Almshouses Charity: It was agreed that the clerk should contact their secretary regarding mutual representation on our respective councils.

15. Date of the next meeting.

This was arranged for 3 May 2016.

The meeting closed at 9.20pm.

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