

Grindleton Parish Council

Meeting of the Parish Council held on

Monday 7th April 2008

In the Parish Room St Ambrose School Sawley Road Grindleton.

Present : Cllrs J. Cowling (in the chair), J.Pye J. Marshall ,Mrs C. Doherty, Mrs D. McEvoy and P. Entwistle

In attendance- RV Cllrs M. Ranson, Mrs B. Hilton and Mrs M.A. Renton, Clerk

1a Apologies None

1b Declarations of interest. None.

2.1 Election of Officers for the next year. The Clerk temporarily took the Chair and invited nominations for the post of Chairman. It was proposed and seconded that Cllr J. Cowling take this post. There were no other nominations. Cllr J. Cowling then retook the Chair.

2.2 Vice Chairman. Cllr J. Cowling invited nominations. It was moved and seconded that Cllr J. Pye continue in this post. This was agreed.

2.3 Representative on the RVBC Parish Liaison Committee.It was moved and seconded that Cllr J. Cowling would continue as the representative.

2.4 Other representatives. It was agreed to review these at the June meeting.

3 Minutes of the 4th February 2008 Meeting and matters arising- The Minutes were approved and the following were discussed-

a) Cherry tree project. The scheme is progressing very well. The trees are about to be planted. One outstanding item is the notice board. In view of the weather beaten nature of the board, a metal replacement large enough for Parish Council and other village notices will be purchased. The Clerk will apply for the grant monies.

b) Progress with footpath to Chatburn. Cllrs J. Cowling and J. Marshall are to meet up with a Chatburn Councillor and determine a suitable route, obtain an estimate for its construction on the basis that Castle Cement allow the use of their land free of charge. The estimated cost would then be submitted to LCC and any other appropriate bodies for funding. RV Cllr M. Ranson suggested the clerk look at possible Right of Way grants recently circulated by LCC. These may also be applicable to the Ribble Way, possible path to Bowland school and the Millennium Wood

c) **Bowland High School coaches.** A meeting has now been arranged with the Headmaster for 11.15am on Wednesday 7th May at the school for Cllrs J. Cowling and RV Cllr M. Ranson.

d) **Neighbourhood watch scheme progress** The completed forms had been delivered to the Clitheroe Police but nothing further has been heard. The clerk is to chase this. The forms had shown a positive response to such schemes.

e) **Drainage problems and responses received** Both households have responded positively and wish to identify the location of the problems. These need to be discussed on site with each owner. Councillors to report back at the June meeting.

f) **Grindleton Bridge Works.** These works are taking a lengthy period. Waterproofing is only possible in dry weather. The road signage is difficult for motorists and the traffic control is somewhat spasmodic. Quite substantial works are in progress.

4. **Parish Plan** The Clerk outlined the purpose of the forthcoming Open session on 21st April between 3pm to 7pm to let residents know what the questionnaires circulated to all households have shown. The W.I are serving refreshments throughout and there will be a display of the first thoughts on the issues raised on the broad themes of

- Speeding
- Recycling and environmental issues
- Parking
- Footpaths particularly to Bowland High School
- Recreational classes
- Public transport

4.1 It was agreed that Cllr P. Entwistle is to take a particular lead role for the Parish Council on the production and monitoring of the village plan.

5. **Planning Matters since the last meeting**

5.1 **Current Planning Application** Councillors considered Application **03/08/0205 for creation of two parking places at front of Nos 2 & 3 Greendale View.** Whilst firmly supporting the principle of providing more parking spaces in the village, there were serious doubts about the practicality of this proposal and the Clerk is to inform RVBC Planning Department of these views.

5.2 **Comments made on applications received-** These were noted as follows-

Demolition of Horsa building and replacement with a single storey music facility comprising of music room/media /recording room no 2 practice rooms recording

control room disabled WC stores Plant Room and Verandah at Bowland High School Riversmead Grindleton

Whilst the parish council had no objection to the demolition of the prefab Horsa building and replacing it with a new media facility, the Councillors did have great concern about any increase in traffic to the school.

They did object to this increase in the size of the school without any upgrade of the local road system.

As part of any new project and on an annual basis, the road from Chatburn to the school requires work to be carried out in places before there is a more serious accident than usual bumps and scrapes.

To help the road widening, the hedges could be cut twice a year allowing them to be cut even further back than at present.

5.3 Details were also given for the following Planning Decisions received

5.3.1 3/2007/0481 **Buck Inn Grindleton BB7 4QS** Full consent for proposed erection of slate mono-pitch roofed shelter attached to existing flat roofed extension to rear of premises and replacement of existing sliding patio doors. **Granted-**1. Must be begun within 3 years.

5.3.2 3/2007/0617 **Land off Slaidburn Road Grindleton** Proposed two stables and tack room. **Granted-** 1. To be begun within 3 years

2. Proposed stables shall be for private and domestic purposes only and not for business/trade.

3. No commencement until scheme for the manure has been approved.

5.3.3 3/2007/0645 **3 Hartley Fold Grindleton** Modifications to existing planning consent 3/2006/0846P. Change to safety treatment to one wall and reduction in size. **Granted-** 1. To be begun within 3 years.

5.3.4 3/2007/0738 **Grindleton Cof E School Sawley Road Grindleton** Extension to form new library/small group area, WC and cloaks/changing facility along with a new entrance. New pedestrian access, footway and crossing zone and new double yellow lines to highway. **Granted-** 1. To be begun within 3 years

2. Precise samples of walling and roofing materials and surface materials to be approved prior to commencement.

3. Approved landscaping to be implemented in 1st growing season and maintained for not less than 5 years.

4. Prior to any works, identified trees are to be protected.

5.3.5 3/2007/0812 **Buck Inn Sawley Road Grindleton B7 4QS** Installation of a new stainless steel extract System with galvanised ductwork and associated fittings to exhaust fumes from the kitchen away from neighbouring properties. **Granted-** 1. To be begun within 3 years

5.3.6 3/2007/1019 **Adj to Bambers Lane Ends Grindleton BB7 4PH** Proposed stable, Storage tack room and trailer store. Portal frame building with blockwork to 1200mm and Yorkshire boarding above with Eternite grey sheet roof. Resubmission. **Granted-** 1. To be begun within 3 years

2. Precise samples of walls and roof to be approved.

3. No development unless scheme approved for manure has been approved.

4. To be for private and domestic purposes only and no trade or business.

5. Development not to be commenced until scheme for landscaping has been approved and such a scheme to be planted in first growing season and maintained for not less than five years.

6. Surface water is not to increase risk of flooding.

7. Scheme for disposal of foul and surface water to be approved prior to commencement.

8. Personal benefit only and shall not be used as a separate unit.

5.3.7 03/08/0074 **Bowland High School Riversmead Grindleton** Demolition of Horsa building and replacement with a single storey music facility comprising of music room/media /recording room no 2 practice rooms recording control room disabled WC stores Plant Room and Verandah. **Granted** by LCC.

6. Financial Matters

5.a- At the start of the meeting the Current account was estimated at £7325.79 and Deposit account at £684.96 totalling £8010.75 (In fact the precept of £6500 was not received until 14/04/08 and grant monies for the Cherry Tree project are still to be claimed)

The following payments were approved-

£	Who to	What for	Legal Power
tba	Whalley Parish Council	Balance for lengthsman for 2007-8 (Whalley are happy to settle in June as latest timesheets not yet received)	S111 LGA 1972 S43 Highways Act 1980

£183.33 £16.52	Clerks Honorarium for Apr/May Clerks expenses	Total payment = £199.85	S112 LGA 1972
£60.00	Payment to W.I. for Parish Plan refreshments*	Grindleton's Women's Institute	S142 LGA 1972
314.03	Allianz Insurance plc	Annual Local Council's Insurance	S 112- 119 LGA 1972
55.25	Chatburn Parish Council	1/3 share of safety ladder for the Speed Indicator	S130 Highways Act 1980
10.20 5.00	N. Kelly	Postage for collected questionnaires to Community Futures 200 Flyers for Presentation of results of Parish Plan event Total =15.20	S142 LGA 1972
442.50 40.71 13.70	Community Futures	Analysing parish plan results Prepaid postage Stationary for Parish Plan questionnaires Total =£ 498.91	S142 LGA 1972
17.47	United Utilities Water plc	Allotment water which is reimbursed by the users	Small Holdings Allotments Act 1908
14.95	Society of Local Council Clerks	Book- Local Council Finance	LGA 1972 s175
134.06	Lancashire Association of Parish & Town Councils (Cheque to LALC)	Annual subscription	LGA 1972 S 143
13.00 3.00 2.80	Earth Anchors Ltd Delivery VAT	Extra fixing bolts Total = £18.80	S111 LGA 1972
1269.90	Total		

6. Correspondence requiring action

6.1 LCC Funding opportunities for improving Rights of Way/ highways- RV Cllr M. Ranson strongly recommended that the Clerk writes to Lancashire Locals (Officer- Mike Neville) with regard to a) the Ribble Way, b) potential footpath to Chatburn c) potential path to Bowland High School and d) paths in Millennium Wood. This was supported.

6.2 Lancashire & Merseyside County Training Partnership request to know what training the parish Councillors/Clerk need. Response by 16th May. None were requested.

6.3 Lancashire Association of Parish & Town Councils are surveying the 5 most important issues affecting the community. The Parish Plan gives a good indication of this. The issues to report are-

- speeding
- recycling
- parking
- need for more footpaths- particularly to Bowland High School from the village
- recreational classes for adults

7. **Report from Representatives** No reports to this meeting.

8. **Any other business for noting/future action only.**

8.1 **Street naming.** R. V. Cllr M. Ranson reported that few Parishes had responded to local names to be used when streets are named to complete all streets being named for a variety of purposes (like Sat Navs). Cllr P. Entwistle is to look into this as in the absence of suggestions. RVBC will have to do the naming.

8.2 R. V. Cllr M. Ranson reported that the RVBC Standards Board is seeking a Parish Councillor to attend approximately three meetings a year chaired by independent chairman, Ian Barry Dearing Solicitor to consider any complaints received about any misconduct by the Borough or Parishes. Any volunteer to inform Mrs Diane Rice at RVBC.

9. **Date of the next meeting.** This will be on Monday 2nd June 08 at 7.30pm.