



For victims

Minutes of Grindleton Parish Council

7.30pm 7th January 2020 St Ambrose Parish Room, Grindleton

Present: Cllrs Keith Hutton (chair); Lorraine Halley; Chris Dumon; Peter Entwistle; James Towler; Alan Fielding. In attendance; Eileen Flatley and Cllr Bridget Hilton

1. Apologies for Absence

None given

2. Minutes of last meetings to be approved and signed

Minutes were approved and signed as correct.

3. Matters arising from last meeting

Colin Sutcliffe will repair the wall at the bottom of Sawley Brow near the well. Cllr Fielding will repair the broken stiles, weather permitting. Graham Cowking has given permission for the wall behind the Cherry Trees to be planted up with seasonal plants. Billy Whitwell has been approached regarding the fence by the river and will remove/replace – all information from Cllr Entwistle

4. Declarations of Interest

Cllr Hutton declared an interest regarding the Duke of York.

5. Public participation

No public present

6. To review Finances and set the Precept for 20/21 and discuss savings account

An update of the finances was given by the Clerk. A grant has been received from RVBC for Christmas lights of £189 and the claim from the Insurance company for the SID sign has been paid. The budget forecast appears to be on track.

It was agreed that a Savings Account should be opened with United Trust Bank as this seemed to give the best rate of Interest. Proposed by Cllr Halley and seconded by Cllr Fielding. Cllr Entwistle and the Clerk to proceed with opening this account with £10,000 which will be used as the Reserve.

7. To review the Asset register

The Asset Register was updated and approved.

8. Report from RVBC Councillor – for Information only

Cllr Hilton gave an update from RVBC. They are still opposed to having a Unity Authority, talks are still on-going. They have also bought 2 affordable houses in Longridge – one to be used as a refuge for victims of Domestic abuse. Calderstones still admitting patients, no sign of it being closed as planned. Cllr Hilton will facilitate a meeting with the Community Pub Ltd steering group to discuss The Duke of York.



9. No planning applications outstanding

10. Yorkshire Devolution Movement Letter

It was agreed to put this on hold for the foreseeable future.

11. Community Pub Ltd update

The steering group committee plan to arrange a meeting with the legal and planning officers at RVBC. Several members of the village have voiced concerns over the deteriorating condition of both pubs in the village, with special concern regarding the Duke of York as it is a Listed building. A letter outlining these concerns is to be sent to Marshall Scott, the Chief Executive from the Parish Council. The Clerk will draft this letter for the Councillors to authorise.

12. Lengthsman update

Cllr Dumon informed the Council he was having a meeting with a prospective Lengths man on 17th January 2020 and had drawn up a seasonal schedule of work that would be required. He has also asked for quotes for the Play area and the Bonfire site separately, and the clerk will ask the Recreation Ground to do the same from their prospective contractor, so that estimates can be compared.

13. The Village Upkeep

Cllr Halley informed the Council of plans to replace the cherry trees and to purchase a variety of different sized flower tubs to be positioned at various locations throughout the village. Cllr Entwistle raised an objection to removing the existing cherry tree (one has already been removed for safety reasons), as this seemed a perfectly good and established tree. Cllr Halley explained that the reason to replace both trees was so that they would grow at the same height and may look better as the wall behind them was being re-planted. Other areas in the village that needed attention were;

Stiles and handrail at the bottom of the brow – Cllr Fielding will repair these.

Notice board – Cllr Hutton

Trees on the brow to be trimmed.

Stone sign to be cleaned.

Phone box to be used as information hub – Cllr Halley

14. Replacing the Speed Indicator Sign

The SID sign was destroyed by a car and the Council agreed to replace this with a similar device. It was agreed that a Data collection device would not be appropriate. The clerk to look into acquiring a device – possibly a little larger than the previous one – from the same company as used before. Cllrs Hutton and Towler will look into replacing the pole.

15. The following accounts were approved for payment

- Additional Christmas lights – Peter Entwistle - £197.73
- Room Rent – St Ambrose - £15
- Clerks Salary – E Flatley - £395.76



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- Electricity for Christmas lights – Diane Holden £10
 - Use of cherry picker for lights – D Rushton - £120

16. Reports from Grindleton Organisations

None to report from Consolidated charities.

Allotments – invoices for payment of rent to be sent out.

17. A.O.B

Cllr Entwistle informed the Council that another date in February will take place for work in the Millennium Wood.

Dates for the next Parish Meetings for this year;

3rd March 2020

5th May 2020

7th July 2020

1st September 2020

3rd November 2020

The meeting closed at 9pm.