

Bonby Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

Minutes of the meeting of Bonby Parish Council held at 7pm on Monday 16th May 2016 at the Village Hall, Bonby.

Present: Cllr S Harriman (Chair), Cllr Nik Smith, Cllr Norman Smith, Cllr T Green

Public Comment

1. **Apologies**

2. **Declaration of Interest**

Cllr Nik Smith – Items 12 and 13.

3. **Minutes of Previous meeting**

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 11th April 2016 with the agreed matters of accuracy were approved and signed as a true and correct record.

4. **Clerk's Report**

The Clerk raised the issue of the phone box and its poor state. Sometime ago BT/Community Heartbeat had offered a defibrillator for this but this never materialised despite chasing up. In the end NLC kindly supplied one at the village hall. But the phonebox remains in the ownership of BT and in poor repair. The Clerk was pleased to inform the Council that all went well with the Internal Audit.

5. **Police Matters / Neighbourhood watch / NATs**

There was allegedly a break in at Biowaste.

6. **Report from Local Councillors**

No ward councillors present.

7. **Highways / Neighbourhood Services & NLC issues**

Cllr Norman Smith stated once again he was unhappy that he still had not been called by a NLC Highways staff member as promised, regarding various highways issues in the village. Clerk requested to email Cllr Rob Waltham regarding this again. The Clerk informed the PC that NLC had asked if SLA payments could be made in June rather than September. The PC agreed to this.

8. **Planning**

The Planning application for change of use from commercial to residential for the Post Office and shop was refused by NLC.

9. **Queen's 90th Birthday Celebrations**

Cllr Nik Smith said the event was an enjoyable success. Due to the grant received from NLC towards the event, no donation would be required from the PC.

10. **Adoption of Freedom of Information policy**

It was unanimously resolved to adopt this updated version.

11. **Gilman Trail**

Cllr Norman Smith updated the PC on the conveyance of the land kindly gifted to the village by Mr and Mrs Greenough, this is nearly complete.

12. **Playground Inspection report**

All in order.

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13. Bonby Day 2016

The date has been set for 10th September. Cllr Harriman suggested a cricket match and tea on the Sunday to make full use of the marquee hire.

14. Correspondence for discussion

- a) NLC SHMA letter regarding housing provision. Clerk to chase for more detail.
- b) Clerks and Councils Direct – circulated.
- c) Clerk Magazine.

15. Accounts

- a) Payment of Clerk's salary and expenses, agreed.
- b) It was agreed to sign the NLC playground inspection SLA.
- c) The HMRC VAT repayment for 14/15 of £674.24 received in March was noted.
- d) It was agreed to sign up to the three year LTA with Ecclesiastical Insurance via Came and Co for £339.73 per annum.
- e) It was agreed to pay £25 to Empson for the repair of the vandalised noticeboard.

16. Minor Items

- a) The need for a new bench for School Lane was noted and will be placed on next agenda.
- b) The resignation of Dorothy Higson was received, this shall formally be placed on next month's agenda.

17. Agenda items for next meeting

Bonby Day. New bench.

18. To confirm time and date of next meeting

The next meeting will be on Monday 13th June at 7pm.

It was resolved to close the meeting to the public and press. To discuss employment issues.
