

# Goldshaw Booth Parish Council

**MINUTES OF GOLDSHAW BOOTH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT ST. MARYS SCHOOL, NEWCHURCH IN PENDLE, ON TUESDAY 8<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2019.**

## **PRESENT-**

*Councillor Chris Burt - (Chairman)*

*Councillors: Andy Cowell, Robert Donovan, Rebecca Murrell, Carl Ryder, Chris Stuttard and Kathleen Wilkinson. In Attendance: The Worship The Mayor, Councillor James Starkie, County Councillor Christian Wakeford, Jennifer Sutcliffe, Parish Clerk and two members of the public.*

### **18/19/194 WELCOME TO GUESTS AND VISITORS**

The Chairman welcomed members and visitors.

### **18/19/195 PUBLIC FORUM**

Two members of the public were present.

### **18/19/196 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

No apologies for absence were received.

### **18/19/197 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **18/19/198 MINUTES**

#### **RESOLVED:**

That the Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2019 be approved as a correct record.

### **18/19/199 MATTERS ARISING (For information only)**

Councillors Carl Ryder and Bob Donovan will endeavour to move the donation box at Newchurch toilets in the near future.

Councillor Stuttard is still to speak to the owners of the property on Osborne Terrace that is currently being refurbished (adjacent to the ginnel), to ascertain if they would be able to assist with repairing the ginnel. He will also repair the back board on the Newchurch notice board.

County Councillor Christian Wakeford joined the meeting.

Brian Pinder had refurbished the four wooden benches in the church yard, which were now in pristine condition.

## **18/19/200 REPORTS FROM CHAIRMAN AND PARISH COUNCIL**

### Councillor Burt

Reported that he had spoken to Kathryn Hughes at PBC Planning Department, regarding the mill site fencing and she had written to Cheshire Estates regarding this. If no reply had been received, it was her intention to follow the enforcement route.

He had visited Douglas Hall Kennels and spoken to Eric Lancaster about disposing of the cut wood from the hedge and informed him that this was a public safety matter. Mr Lancaster agreed to deal with it immediately.

He had been contacted by Burnley and Pendle Ramblers, whose treasurer informed him that they had voted to donate £100 to the Parish Council, for the upkeep of the toilets in Newchurch.

He advised members that the Parish Council is to receive a substantial anonymous donation; the final figure is yet to be determined. The donor expressed a wish to see the Public Conveniences in Newchurch remain open, and that the money is to be spent for the good of the community.

### Councillor Wilkinson

Reported that a former Parish Councillor had advised her that he had adjusted the locks on the notice board at Spenbrook, to make it more secure.

A member of the public joined the meeting.

### Councillor Ryder

Reported that he had been approached by the owner of Higher Spen stables to ascertain if the Parish Council could supply road safety horse warning signs. County Councillor Wakeford is to make some enquiries.

## **18/19/201 PLANNING APPLICATIONS – 18/0870/FUL & 19/0179/HHO**

Members discussed the planning applications.

### **RESOLVED:**

- (a) **18/0870/FUL:** That the Clerk will write to PBC with observations regarding the prior public concerns relating to increased traffic movements and the impact on the existing infrastructure.
- (b) **19/0179/HHO:** That no objections or observations were made.

**18/19/202 SPENBROOK MILL**

The issues with regard to the fencing had already been discussed.

**RESOLVED:**

That the item is noted.

**18/19/203 CCTV**

Councillor Ryder had obtained two written quotations relating to the installation of CCTV. He will strive to obtain a further quotation for next month's meeting and all quotes will be discussed in full.

**RESOLVED:**

That this item will be included on next month's agenda.

**18/19/204 BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION**

Members were advised that the competition judging dates will commence on the 8<sup>th</sup> June until the 21<sup>st</sup> July. Results will be published on the 24<sup>th</sup> July. A second round of judging will commence on the 9<sup>th</sup> August until the 21<sup>st</sup> August and the final judging days will be on the 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> August. The awards ceremony will take place on the 14<sup>th</sup> October at The Villa, Wrea Green. A tidy up day is to take place on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2019, commencing at 10.30am and residents will be asked to attend and assist. Refreshments will be provided.

**RESOLVED:**

That the information is noted.

**18/19/205 106 MONIES**

Members discussed the funds and Councillor Donovan will ask the suppliers of the original equipment on the lower field, to provide a presentation on suggested improvements to the area. Current proposals under consideration are: an obstacle course, updating the existing equipment, a bus shelter, a memorial garden, and the purchase of a sit on mower.

**RESOLVED:**

That the information is noted and will be a discussion item each month.

**18/19/206 PARISH MAINTENANCE**

Most of the roadsides and paths required the application of weedkiller and the grates and gullies were blocked. County Councillor Wakeford advised members that LCC were aware of the blockages and they would be included in their schedule of work. Councillor Ryder will obtain a quotation from the gardener for weed killing and

cleaning the roadside and path from Newchurch to Spenbrook. The cobbles and bushes at Sparable House were in need of attention and Councillor Wilkinson will attempt to ascertain the owner of the property to request that this be attended to. Councillor Ryder will also ask the occupants of the property to assist.

**RESOLVED:**

That the information is noted.

**18/19/207 PLAY AREAS**

Councillor Donovan advised members that there were no issues with the equipment at the present time and that the rotten balancing log had been removed.

**RESOLVED:**

That the information is noted.

**18/19/208 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

Members discussed the Annual Parish meeting and it was agreed that this will take place immediately after the May Parish Council Meeting.

**RESOLVED:**

- (a) That the May Parish Council meeting will commence at 6.30pm until 8pm.
- (b) That the Annual Parish Meeting, to which residents are encouraged to attend, will commence at 8pm

**18/19/209 BANK ACCOUNT SIGNATORIES**

Members discussed this matter and it was agreed that four signatories will be included on the bank account.

**RESOLVED:**

That Councillors Donovan, Cowell, and the Clerk will be added to the signatories.

**18/19/210 FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS**

The financial transactions for the month of March 2019 were reviewed. Since the last meeting, payments totalling £562.95 had been made. The Clerk provided a detailed breakdown of the year end figures.

**RESOLVED:**

- (a) That the financial transactions were approved.
- (b) That the cash book figures were approved.
- (c) That the year-end figures were approved.

## **18/19/211 REPORTS FROM BOROUGH AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS**

Borough Councillor Starkie reported the Ward Boundaries were currently under review and from 2020, Newchurch, Barley, Roughlee, Blacko, Barrowford and Higherford could be amalgamated to become Barrowford and Pendleside, with three ward Councillors. The elections in May would result in Councillors being in post for a period of one year.

He confirmed that the bid made by the Parish Council to the Community Investment Fund for the rebuilding of stone walls, would almost certainly be approved by him. He also advised that his mayoral duties would end in 5 weeks and that he would not be standing for re-election.

County Councillor Wakeford reported that there had been no LCC meetings due to Purdah. He advised that the Borough Council had made recommendations that the warding boundaries be changed with the number of Councillors reducing to 33 (11 wards with 3 members).

He understood that Douglas Hall Kennels had voluntarily handed in their petting licence and that the independent investigation is still ongoing, with the auditor currently looking at it.

## **18/19/212 ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA**

1. Parish Maintenance.
2. Spenbrook Mill.
3. CCTV.
4. BKV.
5. 106 Monies.

## **18/19/213 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2019.

As this was the final meeting for Councillor Burt and Borough Councillor Starkie, the Chairman expressed his thanks to Councillor Starkie for his public service during his 12 years as a Borough Councillor. He thanked several local residents for help on projects and gave his best wishes to the Council for the future.

The meeting closed at 8.10pm.