

Goldshaw Booth Parish Council

MINUTES OF GOLDSHAW BOOTH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT ST. MARYS SCHOOL, NEWCHURCH IN PENDLE, ON TUESDAY 14th JANUARY 2020.

PERSONS PRESENT-

Councillor - Robert Donovan (Chairman)

Councillors: Andy Cowell, Simon Cronshaw, Rebecca Murrell, Carl Ryder, Chris Stuttard and Kathleen Wilkinson. In Attendance: Jennifer Sutcliffe, Parish Clerk.

19/20/182 WELCOME TO GUESTS AND VISITORS

The Chairman welcomed members.

19/20/183 PUBLIC FORUM

No members of the public were present.

19/20/184 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Christian Wakeford.

19/20/185 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

19/20/186 MINUTES

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 10th December 2019 be approved as a correct record.

19/20/187 MATTERS OUTSTANDING FROM MINUTES

- (a) Councillors Donovan, Ryder, Cowell and Stuttard will repair the fence at Well Head Road during the summer months.
- (b) Councillor Cowell obtained a horse sign – Councillor Ryder will erect a pole for the sign at the required location.
- (c) Parking outside top gate to playing field – The Clerk had written to the land owner who had expressed full support to the Parish Council in gaining unobstructed access to the playing fields at all times.
- (d) Forestry work at Barley Bank – The Clerk had written to LCC to ascertain when this work will commence.

- (e) Drains in village – Councillor Donovan had again logged this complaint with LCC. He will also take this up with Councillor Ken Turner who was to meet with the Highways Councillor at LCC.
- (f) Leaves being swept from dwelling into road – Councillor Cowell is dealing with this matter.
- (g) Replacement litter bin at Sabden Fold – The Clerk had reported the damage to PBC who had recently chased this matter up with the suppliers.

19/20/188 REPORTS FROM CHAIRMAN AND PARISH COUNCILLORS

Councillor Donovan

He advised members of a recent fly tipping incident which contained drugs paraphernalia. On the advice of PBC, the police had been contacted, however, neither PBC nor LCC were willing to assist in the removal. He would take up the matter with the police again. He had visited the site manager at Spenbrook Mill regarding the 15/16 punctures that had recently occurred to residents vehicles. The manager had been surprised by this and apologised, stating that extra procedures would be adopted to check the road. He also stated that in respect of compensation, he would speak to the owner of the site and respond. As a reply had not been received, the Chairman had emailed the owner directly but as yet, a response had not been received. He also reported the toilet takings for this month were £34.70 and the sum of £45.00 would be deposited at the bank by Councillor Wilkinson

Councillor Murrell

She enquired as to the current position of the proposed hedge cutting at Sabden Fold. The landowner had agreed to cover the cost. Councillor Ryder will instruct Latham's to cut the hedge and the Parish Council would reclaim the cost from the landowner. The new notice board for Sabden Fold is still awaited and Councillor Wilkinson would enquire regarding its progress.

Councillor Wilkinson

Reported that she had received a complaint from a Spenbrook resident regarding the increased amount of dog fouling. A number of new signs had been erected and Councillor Donovan would highlight this in the next Parish magazine. The public footpath at the side of Spenbrook Mill was flooded and Councillor Donovan would consult with the site manager.

Councillor Cronshaw

Reported that he had submitted the Pocket Parks Application and would hope to hear the outcome towards the end of January. The water at Dimpenley Clough at the Happy Valley crossroads was discoloured and extremely low. This had been reported to the Environment Agency.

Councillor Cowell

He reported that, in connection with the mill site, he had been advised that vehicles were still parking on the bend and at the corner of Osborne Terrace. Councillor Donovan would refer this issue to the site manager.

19/20/189 SECTION 106 MONIES

Discussions continue regarding expenditure of the funds. Councillor Donovan had a meeting with Playdale to discuss replacement of the wooden play equipment. A quote had already been obtained from Landscape Engineering and Playdale will prepare a like for like quote. Together with Councillor Ryder, they had a site visit to identify a spot to site a wooden pavilion and felt that the most suitable place would be alongside the current shed. The equipment on the top field could be repaired and repainted. Councillor Donovan would look into any planning permission which may be needed. As agreed, Councillor Ryder had purchased a 12 x 8 shipping container for the mower to be housed. This would also be on the top field and would be screened by trees. Councillor Cowell is still awaiting quotations for the heritage lamp posts.

RESOLVED:

That this item will be added to next month's agenda for further discussion.

19/20/190 DEFIBRILLATORS FOR SPENBROOK AND SABDEN FOLD

Councillor Donovan continues to research prices for solar powered defibrillators. Renting a machine is another option that could be considered, however, an electricity supply would be required.

RESOLVED:

That the Clerk had submitted a £3000 funding bid to Barrowford and Western Parishes for the purchase of two machines.

19/20/191 WEBSITE UPDATE

Councillor Cronshaw will continue work on this project and update members as it progresses.

RESOLVED:

That this item will continue as an agenda item.

19/20/192 PLANNING APPLICATION – 19/0843/HHO (Osborne Terrace)

Members had previously discussed the application. There were no objections or observations.

RESOLVED:

That the information is noted.

19/20/193 DEVELOPMENT OF SPENBROOK MILL

Councillor Donovan had met the new site manager. He had asked that he be given time to assess the situation and asked the Councillor to revisit.

RESOLVED:

- (a) That Councillor Donovan will revisit the site manager in respect of the ongoing problems.
- (b) That the Clerk would write to PBC to ascertain the position in relation to further Section 106 monies.

19/20/194 CCTV

Councillor Ryder had arranged a meeting with a local company, Street Cam Ltd on Friday 17th January 2020 and Councillor Donovan would also attend.

RESOLVED:

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

19/20/195 SIT ON MOWER

Councillor Ryder will continue to seek a suitable machine. A local company had suggested purchasing a new domestic machine as opposed to a second hand commercial machine. The Clerk advised that the mower would add approximately £150 to the insurance policy.

RESOLVED:

That this item will continue as an agenda item.

19/20/196 PARISH MAINTENANCE

The new gardener had cleared the path from Spenbrook to Newchurch and members agreed that an excellent job had been done. She had also turned over the gardens in preparation for the planting season. It was proposed and seconded that she be used as the Council gardener for the forthcoming year. Handtowels were required at the toilets and Councillor Ryder will obtain a quote from North Valley Supplies. The suitability of stainless steel hand dryers will also be investigated.

RESOLVED:

- (a) That the new gardener will be employed for the forthcoming year.
- (b) That a quote will be obtained for the hand towels.
- (c) That the suitability of stainless steel hand dryers will be researched for the next meeting and added to the next agenda.

19/20/197 FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS

The financial transactions for the month of December/January 2019/20 were reviewed. Since the last meeting, payments totalling £561.41 had been made, including £101.15 shown on the agenda and £10.26 reimbursed to Councillor Wilkinson for plants/compost, £360.00 for new gardener with a further one day's work, £90.00 to be added. The hedge cutting bill for Latham's will also be paid and reclaimed from the landowner at Sabden Fold. A bill in the sum of £154.80 had been received from Duncan Armstrong for work done on the finger post in Newchurch. As this had not been authorised by the Parish Council, the Clerk will look into this invoice. The Clerk discussed the quarterly figures.

RESOLVED:

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

19/20/198 DRAFT BUDGET

Members discussed the recently prepared draft budget. All figures were agreed with the mowing figure being amended to £1000 to take account of additional mowing costs to grass verges and the banking outside the school.

RESOLVED:

- (a) That the final budget is approved.
- (b) That an unchanged precept of £6700.00 will be applied for from PBC.

19/20/199 REPORTS FROM BOROUGH AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS

There were no Councillors present.

19/20/200 ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

1. Parish Maintenance.
2. Spenbrook Mill.
3. CCTV.
4. Section106 monies.
5. Sit on Mower.
6. Defibrillators.
7. Website.
8. Toilets.
9. Annual Parish Meeting.

19/20/201 PARISH MAGAZINE ENTRY

Councillor Donovan will prepare the entry.

19/20/202 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 11th February 2020.

The meeting closed at 8.46pm.