

# Goldshaw Booth Parish Council

**MINUTES OF GOLDSHAW BOOTH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT ST. MARYS SCHOOL, NEWCHURCH IN PENDLE, ON TUESDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2019.**

## **PERSONS PRESENT-**

*Councillor - Robert Donovan (Chairman)*

*Councillors: Andy Cowell, Bill Mayor, Chris Stuttard, Carl Ryder, and Kathleen Wilkinson. In Attendance: Jennifer Sutcliffe, Parish Clerk.*

### **19/20/50 WELCOME TO GUESTS AND VISITORS**

The Chairman welcomed members.

A one minute silence was held following the two tragic events that occurred recently within the Parish.

### **19/20/51 PUBLIC FORUM**

No members of the public were present.

### **19/20/52 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Rebecca Murrell, County Councillor Christian Wakeford and Borough Councillor Carlo Lioni.

### **19/20/53 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **19/20/54 MINUTES**

#### **RESOLVED:**

That the Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 11th June 2019 be approved as a correct record.

### **19/20/55 MATTERS OUTSTANDING FROM MINUTES**

- (a) Burnley Ramblers – The Clerk had contacted the secretary of the Ramblers Group and she will update her with dates for any planned walks in the near future.
- (b) Notice Board Supplier – The supplier had offered to return and apply a coat of varnish to the Spen Brook notice board. Members agreed that the best course of action was to rub down and oil the board. Councillor Mayor will attend this and also the board in Newchurch.

Councillor Wilkinson joined the meeting.

- (c) PBC re: Sparable House – Members had previously been advised that this matter had been reported to the enforcement officer at PBC. The officer will decide if it merits further action.
- (d) Electricity North West – The overhead cables had been inspected by the electricity board who will arrange to cutback the trees near to their cables.
- (e) PBC Planning re: Sign at Douglas Hall Kennels – The Planning Department at PBC would reopen a case in relation to the sign and pursue it again.
- (f) Tom Partridge – Had advised the Chairman that the issues reported were of low priority and that there was little budget for such repairs.
- (g) Laurence Daw (Cheshire Estates) – The Chairman had written to Laurence Daw to introduce himself and would keep in touch with him. It was agreed that all future contact with him must be through the Chairman.
- (h) Damaged fence at Wellhead Road – LCC had advised Councillor Wakeford that they had checked the archives and could not find any record of the fence and as such, no repairs would be made. It was agreed that Councillor Ryder would contact the landowner to discuss the matter with them.
- (i) Damage to the wall by the Slaughterhouse - Councillor Wakeford had advised that the site had been inspected by LCC who found that there was no initial danger, as it was not interfering with highway users. No action would be taken at this time, but they would continue to monitor the situation.
- (j) Research re sit on mower – Councillor Donovan had looked at suppliers/traders. Balmers in Burnley supplied second hand machines. He would obtain further prices, as would Councillors Ryder and Stuttard and all would report back at the next meeting

## **19/20/56 REPORTS FROM CHAIRMAN, PARISH COUNCILLORS AND CLERK**

### Councillor Donovan

Reported that the toilets in Newchurch were now fully operational. He intends to open them fully for a seven day period in August to assess if there was a demand for them. He would also fit a PIR to assist with electricity usage at the site. Together with his wife Julie, they would take over the running, cleaning and management of the toilets until further notice. Depending on the usage, consideration could be given at a later stage, of employing a cleaner to clean the toilets on a weekly basis. He wished to place on record thanks to the following people for their help and assistance:

To Adrian and Maureen at the Witches Shop for their help and dedication in maintaining the toilets and Adrian for collecting the donations.

To Councillor Wilkinson for cleaning the toilets and for collecting and banking the donations. He would continue to empty the donations on a daily basis and hand the accumulated funds to Councillor Wilkinson to bank.

To Councillor Mayor, for renovating the bench in Newchurch.

To Alison Cook for her work in the gardens.

To Christine and Trevor at Old Earth House, for watering the barrier baskets and gardens.

Following a resident's request, he had cut some overhanging branches back at the top of Cross Lane. This required further work and the gardener would be asked to look at the job. There had been no reply from LCC about the grit bin in Newchurch, although this had been reported.

Donations from Pendle Pub Walk had amounted to £18.00. A further donation box would be fitted to the gent's toilets. He had submitted a request to London Hearts for a further defibrillator but had not received a reply. He would make a further enquiry in a week's time.

#### Councillor Wilkinson

Reported that she had attended the Barrowford and Western Parishes meeting and a decision on adding a further property at Spenbrook Mill had not been made. The retrospective planning application in respect of Douglas Hall Kennels had been refused, although this would now go to the Policy and Resources Committee next month. She also reported that a Balsam Bashing Day was taking place shortly.

#### Councillor Ryder

Reported that a resident had remarked that they felt that there was too much weed spraying and too much mowing in the Parish.

#### Councillor Cowell

Reported that a resident had remarked on the state of the garden in Spenbrook. The gardener is aware and will attend to it. He explained to members that there had recently been a problem with BT and that the website and email addresses had to be moved quickly to ensure their continued existence. The Clerk is in the process of changing over to the local company, CMS Live in Barrowford and the monthly cost will be approximately £10.00 per month. The cost involved in changing suppliers would be offset by the amount BT has not claimed.

### **19/20/57 BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION**

Councillor Wilkinson reported that weeds were growing rapidly and that it would be appreciated if residents could look after their own areas. The judging periods are 8<sup>th</sup> June to 21<sup>st</sup> July, 9<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> August and 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> August.

#### **RESOLVED:**

That the information is noted.

### **19/20/58 SECTION 106 MONIES**

The Chairman and Clerk had received information from PBC Planning Department, the Green Spaces Manager and Legal Services at PBC, These departments had

explained what the funds could be used for. Unless approved by the developer, the funds are to be utilised to upgrade the existing play area, picnic area or something else that is recreation themed. The funds had been paid to Legal Services and the Section106 agreement states that they must be utilised within 5 years from 29<sup>th</sup> March 2018. Any funds not spent would have to be repaid to the developer. It was agreed that residents would again be asked for positive ideas for spending the money.

**RESOLVED:**

- (a) That Councillor Donovan will contact Playdale, the suppliers of the existing equipment and ask them to attend and provide a presentation.
- (b) That Councillor Donovan would contact Laurence Daw to invite him back to a future meeting.

**19/20/59 WISH LIST**

Members discussed improvements they would like to see undertaken within the Parish. The Clerk will compile a list for additions at each meeting. Items discussed were:-

A Councillor suggested the replacement of all the lamps in the village, with traditional type units. The approximate cost of the one existing unit was £1800. Also, that the signs in the village were too close together and needed attention. It was also suggested that an exercise could be undertaken to see what components within the Parish belong to LCC and who is responsible for the different items. Light pollution emanating from Douglas Hall Kennels in winter is a problem, and it was suggested that the introduction of a common diary for all three adjoining villages, to coordinate events would be useful.

**RESOLVED**

- (a) That the Clerk would add the items onto the list.
- (b) That Councillor Donovan would assess the signs and report back at the next meeting.

**19/20/60 DEVELOPMENT OF SPENBROOK MILL**

There had been no developments since the last meeting.

**RESOLVED:**

That the information is noted.

**19/20/61 CCTV**

Councillor Ryder advised members that he was meeting with a third contractor on Thursday evening to obtain a further quotation. Councillor Donovan would also attend the meeting.

**RESOLVED:**

- (a) That this item would be included on next month's agenda.
- (b) That Councillor Cowell will look into mounting the CCTV camera on a lamp stand and connecting the electrical feed from the column.

**19/20/62 PARISH MAINTENANCE**

Councillors discussed jobs to be completed this month. The gardener was catching up with his work and in the meantime, Alison Cook would weed the church garden. There were bags of soil at the entrance to the top playing field and Councillor Donovan would speak to the owner highlighting the BKV competition. In connection with the damaged fence at Faughs Farm, Councillor Ryder will speak to the owner.

**RESOLVED:**

That the information is noted.

**19/20/63 FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS**

The financial transactions for the month of June 2019 were reviewed. Since the last meeting, payments totalling £1371.45 had been made, including £1195.35 shown on the agenda and £72.50 to J R Landscapes, £20.00 reimbursement to B Mayor for primer for the bench in Newchurch, and £83.60 to B Donovan, reimbursement for toilet supplies. Income of £1200.11 had been received.

**RESOLVED:**

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

**19/20/64 REPORTS FROM BOROUGH AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS**

County Councillor Wakeford had sent a report including signage for Higher Spen stables. Despite their initial enthusiasm, upon review, LCC were now less so as it does not cross a bridleway. He felt that the data from the SPID may assist the case. Councillor Ryder would speak to the stable owner and Douglas Hall Kennels about funding the signs.

**19/20/65 ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA**

1. Parish Maintenance.
2. Spenbrook Mill.
3. CCTV.
4. BKV.
5. Section106 Monies.
6. Wish List.
7. Anonymous Donation.

**19/20/66 PARISH MAGAZINE ENTRY**

There were no specific requests for any entry in the magazine. The Chairman will prepare the entry.

**19/20/67 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> August 2019.

The meeting closed at 9.05 pm.