



Minutes of Meeting 17th August 2010

Present: Cllr. Mr. B. Ingham, Cllr. Mrs. P. Watson,
Cllr. Mr. M. Tetley, Cllr. Mrs. C. Lomax, Co. Cllr. Mrs. S. Derwent

Apologies: Cllr. Mr. L. Townsend, Cllr. Mr. R. Gadd, Cllr. Mr. D. Forrest,
Boro' Cllr. Starkie, Mrs. P. McBurney (clerk)

Members of public in attendance: Two

2955: Police Report and Public Questions

- There was no Police presence at the meeting, but details were received of three crimes in the area. One on Guide Lane, cannabis plants were discovered in a house in Higham, and a house on Higham Hall Rd was broken into.
- Mrs. Hartnell asked whether that the tips of the railings around the Chapel graveyard and at the entrance to the Village Hall could be repainted in gold. Cllr Ingham responded that the Village Hall railings could be repainted in any colour that the Village Hall Committee decided.
- A representative from Burnley Radio Club asked that permission be given to erect an aerial at the rear of the Village Hall. A vote was taken and approval given. Cllr Ingham asked the Radio Club to check whether planning permission is required.

2956: Declaration of Councillors Interests/Code of Conduct

No interests were declared

2957: Minutes of the last meeting

Cllr. Ingham proposed that the minutes of the last meeting were correct. This was seconded by Cllr. Lomax and agreed.

2958: Matters arising (for information only).

There were no matters arising from the last meeting

2959: Resignation of Councillor

A letter of resignation has been received from Cllr Ellis. This requires a formal notice of termination. The clerk will write a letter of acceptance to the resignation and will post a notice of a vacancy for a councillor.

2960: Higham and Fence Wind Turbines

Public Meetings have been held. This item will be discussed more fully at the September meeting.

2961: Finance

- Cllr. Ingham itemised the cheques and these were signed.

2962: Planning Applications and Decisions

- The Farm Shop on Barrowford Road: This has been approved with conditions.
- Clover Croft Development: Variation of Condition 13. Deferred: awaiting a decision from County Highways regarding adoption of the footpath.
- Clover Croft Development, moving Block B 3 metres: Approved.

2963: Clover Croft Development

No further obvious external building work at present, but the site is tidy.

2964: Clerk's Report

The clerk's report was distributed before the meeting.

2965: County Councillor's Report

- Co. Cllr. Derwent will investigate the sign at the top of Foxen Dole Lane (see 2943).
- There is to be an extra gritter this year and conventional rock salt will be used. Grit bins will be filled for use on roads and pavements. Councils will recruit farmers with tractors to assist.
- Not much money will be available for grants.
- Special efforts are being made to improve children's safety.

2966: Borough Councillor's Report

None

2967: Committee/ Working Group Reports

No reports.

2968: Sabden Rd Car Park

The kerbs are on the road have been fixed. The Contractor is due to begin after the Scarecrow Festival.

2969: Land between 106 Higham Hall Road and the Village Hall

A report was submitted to Barrowford and Western Parishes. Upkeep of the land will become the responsibility of Higham Parish Council.

2970: Kiln Hill Project

This is now complete and can be removed from the next agenda.

2971: The Playground – Report on Monthly Inspection

The playground is due for inspection by RoSPA this month

2972: Parish Matters

- The most recent edition of “The Spout” was well received.
- The SPID is still in Fence.
- The standard of grass mowing has improved.
- The rockery has received many complimentary comments.
- The hedge and wall opposite The Wallet are in poor condition. Cllr. Tetley will see Mr Mitchell.

2973: Parish Lengthsman Scheme

- The gutter on Higham Hall Road is clear.
- Some benches may still need to be treated. Cllr. Ingham will check.

2974:Correspondence

- No extra correspondence

2975: Items for Future Discussion

- Millennium Clock
- Over 60s’ Christmas Party

2976: Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be held on the 21st September 2010 at 7.30 pm.

The meeting closed at 8.27 pm.