



Minutes of Meeting 15th June 2010

Present: Cllr. Mr. B. Ingham, Cllr. Mr. D. Forrest, Cllr. Mrs. P. Watson, Cllr. Mr. R. Gadd, Cllr. Mr. M. Tetley, Cllr. Mrs. C. Lomax, Co. Cllr. Mrs. S. Derwent. Boro' Cllr. Mr. J. Starkie, PC. Mark Dibb, Mrs. P. McBurney (Clerk).

Apologies: Cllr. Mr. L. Townsend. Cllr Mr. D. Ellis.

Members of public in attendance: None

2912: Police Report and Public Questions

- PC Dibb reported two incidents in Higham since the last meeting - the theft of a mountain bike and a camera in different incidents. Both appear to be opportunist.
- Officers from Colne police station are to be redeployed to Nelson Police Station
- PC Dibb enquired about forthcoming events. Cllr. Ingham responded with dates of the Summer Fete and the Scarecrow Festival
- Cycle Race. Cllr. Ingham asked about road closures in the area surrounding Higham. Some roads will be affected

2913: Declaration of Councillors Interests/Code of Conduct

No interests were declared

2914: 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.

2915: Matters arising (for information only).

There was no comment on the matters arising from the last meeting.

2916: Higham Wind Farm

- No further developments. Co. Cllr. Derwent has received a letter inviting questions about the development

2917: Finance

- Cllr. Ingham itemised the cheques and these were signed.
- Letters have been sent to St. John's Church and Mr. Dooley with decisions on requests for funding (see 2895 May 2010) No acknowledgement has been received from St. John's Church.

2918: Clover Croft Development

- Two dwellings are now occupied and one other will be occupied soon. The apartment block is thought to be the next phase to be developed.

2919: Planning Applications and Decisions

- Farm Shop on the A6068: this will be discussed at the next Barrowford and Western Parishes meeting. Details of the proposed access and buildings were discussed.

2920: Clerk's Report

- The clerk's report was distributed before the meeting. Additional material was distributed before the start of the meeting

2921: County Councillor's Report

- Co. Cllr. Derwent reported that some waste disposal depots are to close owing to council cutbacks. One of these will be the depot in Padiham.

2922: Borough Councillor's Report

- Boro' Cllr. Starkie told the council that there was a possibility that some money promised to Pendle may not now be paid. The Neighbourhood renewal scheme could be affected.
- Boro' Cllr. Starkie has been placed in charge of the Waste and Recycling Project in Pendle.

2923: Committee/ Working Group Reports

- Cllr. Ingham reported that the grant for Kiln Hill had been approved. Quotes were discussed and work to raise the kerbs will begin soon.

2924: Sabden Rd Car Park

- The dispute over ownership of the land has been resolved. Work on the car park can begin as soon as possible.

2925: Boundary Signs:

- The sign between Higham and Fence has now been re-furbished and will be repositioned on the boundary shortly.

2926: The Playground – Report on Monthly Inspection

- The playground is awaiting re-furbishment. RoSPA has been contacted re the Annual Inspection but no response has been received. The clerk will contact them again

2927: Land between 106 Higham Hall Road and the Village Hall

- Liberata was contacted after the last Parish Council meeting and responded asking for details of the land currently maintained by the Parish Council. This information was provided but no further information has been received.

2928: Parish Matters

- “The Spout” magazine. The next edition is due after the Summer Fete. Cllr. Gadd suggested a Postcard Competition with views of Higham be advertised. All information for the magazine should be directed through Cllr. Lomax.
- The SPID is now in Higham.
- Grass mowing: There are still areas of concern. A letter will be drafted by Cllr. Ingham and sent to the contractor. No invoices for work done have yet been received
- The rockery has now been planted and has been well received.
- The hole in the road surface near the bottom of Higham Hall Road has not yet been repaired.
- It was reported that the post box at the bottom of Higham Hall Road has been taken away. Cllr. Ingham has contacted Royal Mail who have promised to return it as soon as necessary repairs have been completed.
- Cllr. Ellis made a request for the England flag to be flown on the church flagpole during the World Cup. This request will be passed on to the Church.
- Complaints were received about smoke emanating from a property on Foxendole Lane. An apology has been received from the owner of the property.
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2929: Parish Lengthsman Scheme

- Gaps in the playground surface. This will be removed from the next agenda.
- Wall opposite the Parsonage. Ongoing.

2930: Correspondence

- No extra correspondence

2931: Items for Future Discussion

- The Playground

2932: Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be held on the 20th July 2010 at 7.30 pm

The meeting closed at 9 26 pm.