

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held Tuesday 7th January at The Pendle Room, St Nicholas Church at 7pm

Members Present Councillor A Haworth in the chair
 Councillor S Clarke
 Councillor C Eaves
 Councillor C Guirdham
 Councillor I Jackson
 Councillor M Pilkington
 Councillor A Rickard
 Councillor R Vickers

Also present 4 members of the public

1. **Apologies** for Absence – Borough Clr R Newmark
2. **Declarations of Members Interest of items on the Agenda** - None
3. **Public Participation** –
 Mrs M Wright spoke to the meeting about various grants which are currently available. Champion Bowland – the charity arm of AONB have grants up to £750 for community purposes. The Pendle Hill partnership small grants fund - grants upto £500 for benefit of landscape and heritage and larger grants up to £10,000 – this fund is due to open on 6th April.
 Councillor Marilyn Pilkington agreed to look into to these.
 Query about the wildlife tower & tree preservation at Victoria Mill.
 Dog fouling issues and dogs off leads. Flags at Watt street Bus shelter are slippery.
4. **Minutes of meeting held 3rd December 2019**
RESOLVED Minutes approved & signed
5. **Accounts for payment**
RESOLVED the accounts for payment be approved as per schedule
6. **Planning Applications** - None
- 6b. **Update on previous Applications**
 None
7. **An update was given on issues relating to Dogs/Dog Fouling on The Lower Holme and Play Area**
 More people are keeping dogs on leads. Still some ignoring advice. Notices have been placed around the village. The dog warden will be asked to do more patrols and everyone is encouraged to pass on information to the dog warden.
8. **Website Update**
 The website is in the final stages of construction and photos and information is being uploaded
9. **Tree preservation Order- Whalley Road common land**
 A tree preservation order came into force on 13th December (for 6 months and thereafter to be reviewed) as it is expedient to protect the trees situated on the common land as they are amenity

value. Ribble Valley has refused a tree works application to carry out pruning works on 10 trees within the conservation area due to detrimental effects the works will have on amenity value.

The trees in question are T1-T5 (2 Horse Chestnuts and 3 common Lime) and a group of 5 trees -G1- (1 each of Silver Birch, Beech, Common Lime & 2 sycamore)

RESOLVED unanimous agreement with the order.

- 10. Civic Service Blackburn Cathedral 6.30pm 2nd February**
Borough Councillor R Newmark and Mrs P Newmark will attend
- 11. Consideration was given to a nomination for the ballot for the Buckingham Palace Garden Party**
The Clerk, Angel Whitwell, will be nominated.
- 12. FOR INFORMATION ONLY**
Playground Report – No change
Borough Councillor Report -Bor. Clr R Newmark in his absence sent a message he had nothing to report.
- 13. Date & Time of Next meeting** –Tuesday 7th January 2020 at 7pm in the Pendle Room at St Nicholas Church .