

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held Tuesday 1st December 2020 via Zoom at 7pm

Members Present Councillor A Haworth in the chair
 Councillor M Pilkington
 Councillor S Clarke
 Councillor R Vickers
 Councillor C Eaves
 Councillor J Smith
 Councillor A Rickard
 Councillor I Jackson
 Borough Councillor R Newmark

Also present 2 members of the public

1. **Apologies** for Absence – None
2. **Declarations of Members Interest of items on the Agenda** - None
3. **Pendle Hill Partnership – Access for all route**-presentation by Jayne Ashe, Sarah Dornan & Dom Hartley
 The proposed works will form a circular route approx 3km of new or improved accessible track
 - The multi-user route will be created linking existing footpaths and bridleways
 - The route will serve members of the local community as well as visitors to the area
 - A Tramper will be provided by the Forest of Bowland AONB and housed in Sabden. The PHLP will assist local volunteers with booking, leasing and delivering inductions to people who wish to make free use of it

Link tarmac bridleways with a new farm track being built at CockshottsFarm, allowing Tramper access where currently there is none

 - Replace/adapt existing gateways** to ensure Tramper-users can pass comfortably and safely, whilst also preserving stock-proof boundaries. Option of timber or metal gates
 - Carry out **25m of groundworks** to join an existing bridleway with a proposed farm track
 - Carry out **75m of groundworks** on an existing footpath to ensure that Trampers won't slide down the slight gradient during/following wet weather
 - Install **new waymarker**posts highlighting the route
 - Some restoration of associated **fence lines** where work will be undertaken

Ongoing costs and future maintenance will be responsibility of the Forest of Bowland AONB. No charge for the service.
 PHP are looking for places to store the tramper and local volunteers

To be discussed at the January meeting
4. **Public Participation** –Comments on Planning Application 3/2020/0825 regarding perimeter wall being rebuilt in natural stone and removal of existing Bradstone type wall.
 Also suggestion to use existing plate on Padiham Road for the SPID.
5. **Minutes of meeting held 3rd November 2020**
RESOLVED Minutes approved & signed

6. Accounts for payment

RESOLVED the accounts for payment be approved as per schedule

7. External Auditors Review

No Matters to raise

PKF LittleJohn reported *-On the basis of our review of Sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR), in our opinion the information in Sections 1 and 2 of the AGAR is in accordance with Proper Practices and no other matters have come to our attention giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met.*

RESOLVED Report approved

8. Planning Applications

Planning Application No: 3/2020/0895 Proposed Replacement of unauthorised existing flat roof with a new pitched roof over a ground floor south facing rear outrigger. Resubmission of application 3/2020/0353 at 2 Pendle Street West

RESOLVED to accept recommendations for No Objections as it is more inkeeping in an AONB

Planning Application No: 3/2020/0825 Proposed New entrance to new housing estate at New housing site Stubbins Lane

RESOLVED to send the following comments to RVBC .

In the area of the proposed new entrance there are lots of Cobbles which are part of the Old Mill. These are a significant part of the heritage of the village and it would be to the detriment of our Heritage if we loose this small link with the past.

If RVBC are minded to approve the application the Parish Council would like to see the retention of the cobbles by incorporating into the entrance and possibly making a feature within the new surfacing.

The Perimeter Wall The Parish council is aware that RVBC enforcement Officer, has been in communication with the developer throughout 2020 regarding the Bradstone type stone which was used to complete the missing and damaged perimeter stone wall on Stubbins Lane. In March 2020 it was agreed that the two offending stretches of wall will be relaid in natural stone to "match existing wall" as per planning consent **3/2010/1014** .

At the time, the developer couldn't give a timescale for completion of the work due to Covid/ lockdown. The Parish Council was aware In September, that the developer had informed RVBC that he had sourced a contractor to complete the replacement walling which would hopefully be completed by the 2nd or 3rd week in October. This work has not yet commenced.

If RVBC are minded to approve the application the Parish Council would like a condition set to include the removal of the existing Bradstone type stone and replace with Natural stone to match existing.

Planning Application No: 3/2020/0951 Proposed Side extension to provide kitchen area on the converted barn at Hollins Farm Barn Clerk Hill Road

RESOLVED No Objections

Planning Application No: 3/2020/0968 Proposed Extension to existing porch to northside of existing dwelling. Resubmission of 3/2020/0189 at 6 Timbrills Avenue

RESOLVED No Objections

Planning Application 3/2020/1000 Proposed two storey and single storey rear extension.at Oak Hill Simonstone Road

Councillors agreed to make a site visit before making a decision

8b. Update on previous Applications - None**9. Consideration was given to quotations for replacement slide and other projects**

Councillors R Vickers & J Smith met the rep from Proludic to further discuss the quotation submitted. Unfortunately the rep from Wicksteed, due to a misunderstanding, was unable to visit the site but covered all queries via email.

Clr Vickers and Smith reported to the meeting – both companies are very comparable, the Wicksteed slide is the one most similar to existing with had rails, each company had quoted like for like and each company had offered discounts. Wicksteed made a very substantial discount which made costs equal. Based on the previous track record of Wicksteed it was recommended they should be given the job

Repairs to Safety Surfacing beneath the Swings

Recommended the Nottport Childsplay surfacing would be an ideal choice to make repairs to the surfacing beneath the swings.

RESOLVED all in favour of Wicksteed being given the order for High Pedestal Slide in red, installation, removal of existing, black wetpour surface, installation and removal of existing and make good ground on completion.

Also for Wicksteed to overlay each of the Swing pads with Nottsport Childsplay surfacing.
Total costs of projects £11068.48 excl VAT

10. Consideration was given to repair costs for Play Area equipment

Parts for Zip wire & 4 seater springey £433 + time £200 = £633

RESOLVED All in favour to go ahead

11. Heritage Trail- Calico & Clogs

Clr M Pilkington reported the schools have been approached and St Marys has confirmed they are keen to engage. Mr T Lingard & Mr S Rostron will be approached to assist with judging of logos. Mid Pennine Arts are very interested in supporting and a zoom call has been set up with them. A couple of local residents have come forward with information and artefacts. Hoping to get to Media Village in January with some drafts.

12. FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Playground Report- No issues, awaiting repairs to 4 seater seesaw & Zip Wire

Speeding through the village- Issues raised by residents include speed of traffic on Clitheroe Road and Padiham Road over Bull Bridge, No footway near the White Hart- cars overhanging, suggestion of traffic calming measures and to place SPID outside 3 Padiham Road.

All these issues will be discussed in full at the January meeting but in the meantime LCC will be contacted.

Update on works at Bull Bridge

In response to the email chasing for a date when proposed works at Bull Bridge would commence, the following response from LCC.

Thank you for your email regarding the Bull Bridge in Sabden.

There are difficulties with the lining crews at the current time due to Covid-19.

It is difficult to give a meaningful timescale for the sign improvement works.

We have not yet designed and ordered the special cranked posts required, but have done some preliminary design work on the sign layout to facilitate this order and acquired site measurements to place a works order.

The manufacture of posts can take a number of weeks and we are not in a position to know the affect that Covid-19 might have on the ability of the manufacturer to produce and deliver the signs.

We expect to get the sign plates ordered in the next few days and place an order for the posts.

We do not know if they have any staff off at this time or what our street lighting team's priorities will be when the posts and signs are ready.

We could well be into January before anything appears on site.

The Parish Council will continue to pursue until works take place.

Woodland Trust- Packs of hedging plants and trees available via an application process. Suggested the area from watt st Bus Shelter to fish ladder for hedging to improve safety. Clrs A Haworth & S Clarke will meet to measure the lengths required

Borough Councillor Report – Bor Cllr R Newmark reiterated the parish council ask for a condition of planning at Stubbins Lane new Housing Access to reinstate the perimeter wall in natural stone.

There have been increases in Anti social behaviour across the borough. Covid mass testing centres are being offered to councils.

13. **Date & Time of Next meeting** –Tuesday 2nd February 2021 at 7pm via Zoom