

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held Tuesday 6th October via Zoom at 7pm

Members Present Councillor A Haworth in the chair
 Councillor M Pilkington
 Councillor S Clarke
 Councillor A Rickard
 Councillor R Vickers
 Councillor I Jackson
 Councillor C Eaves
 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. **Public Participation** –Request for Community Concern notices- similar to those on Clitheroe Rd- for Padiham Road & Whalley Road
 Concerns about community safety as young residents have been accessing the Horse Box & Vehicles parked at falcon House. This private land and the vehicles are also private. RVBC Environmental services will be made aware of this.
4. **Minutes of meeting held 1st September 2020**
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. **Consideration was given to Landscaping adjacent to the Victoria Mill development**
 Skipton Properties would like to seed up an area that sits next to the side of our development and overlooks the bench by the brook.
 They propose some small trees and wildflower seeds, which would need to be maintained.
 It was pointed out by a resident that Wildflower Gardens need managing and it could be difficult to get to, the stone seat is very close to the sloping edge and would benefit from being moved back about 8ft and there is still Japanese Knotweed in the area despite the Lengthsman and Skipton Properties treating it. Skipton Properties has a 5yr eradication plan but haven't gone as far as the waters edge.
 It was agreed Councillors A Haworth, R Vickers & S Clarke will meet the site manager to discuss the options.
8. **Traffic Safety at Bull Bridge update from LCC**
 LCC has been unable to commit to a site meeting but in its letter to the council advised officers have looked at the site. They have suggested yellow backing boards to be added for both signs and be mounted on a cranked swell-based post, (specially ordered) to highlight them more by offsetting them closer to the carriageway.

On the Clitheroe side, the new post would be located just to the right of the current lighting column position. We will add 'Road narrows' warning signs on both approaches and a single white on black chevron board at the bridge parapet for both approaches.

Following our correspondence they have agreed to repaint road markings. This work will be for the centre lines, SLOWs, junction markings and hatching. They aim to have this work completed as soon as possible.

9. Bid to Pendle Hill Partnership for funding of an Heritage Trail- Calico & Clogs

Clr M Pilkington reported the project has been approved for grant aid by the Pendle Hill Partnership Fund (PHP) through the National Lottery Heritage Fund. The grant offered is £8887.50 or upto 75% of eligible costs incurred, whichever is the lesser amount, towards the project. The project must be completed by 5th October 2021. The PHP encourages collaboration and partnership with local schools, community groups and residents of Sabden.

RESOLVED All in favour of accepting the offer and to progress with the project.

It was also **RESOLVED** tha a working group be formed with the following Councillors, Clr M Pilkington, Clr R Vickers, Clr A Rickard & Clr S Clarke.

10. Consideration was given to the purchase of a Poppy Wreath

Due to the ongoing Coronavirus pandemic the decision has been taken by St Nicholas Church that a public act of remembrance will not be possible. This does not , however, prevent individuals from making their own arrangements.

RESOLVED The parish council will purchase a Poppy Wreath and Chairman, Clr A Haworth will lay the wreath on or before Armistice Day.

11. FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Playground Report – All seems to be fine. Tyre Swing shackle still needs greasing. Lengthsman is aware of this.

Borough Councillor R Newmark reported to date there is no official notification from RVBC re the Remembrance Service.

Covid-There are quite a number of cases within the RVBC area and health officials are keeping a close eye on the situation

Dog Fouling Public Space Protection Order- RVBC approved its reinstatement for 3years.

Unitary Authority -Discussions have been taking place and RVBC and residents are fighting it with over 10,000 signatures on a petition

Recycling – RVBC only borough in Lancashire to see large increases over the past 2 years, only borough to see a reduction in landfill and has lowest rate for contamination.

There have been lots of reports of trespassing at Falcon House-the owner is securing the site

Bowling Club Purchase of Land- this has been rejected by RVBC

Parish Council Casual Vacancy – The notice has been published and we are required to wait 14 working days to give electors the opportunity to request an election. If less than 10 electors have written to request an election we are able to make a co-option at the November meeting. Following the required period and once we have heard from RVBC a notice will be published asking for anyone interested to contact the clerk. We have already had an expression of interest.

LALC AGM- Saturday 14th November 10am via Zoom

12. Date & Time of Next meeting –Tuesday 3rd November 2020 at 7pm via Zoom