

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY SEPT 9TH
2019 AT WALMER BRIDGE VILLAGE HALL

ATTENDANCE – Mr D Rimmer, Mr L Dryden, Mrs T Wilcock, Mr D Owen
Mr J Rainsbury & Mrs S Rainsbury.

Also present was one member of the public.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mrs R Smith

2. MINUTES – The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed and signed.

3. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - None.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

WALMER BRIDGE FC

South Ribble Borough Council are still awaiting a response from the football club regarding the licence and insurance for the container.

A draft of the rules to allow parking by the football club had been forwarded to the Parish Council by the Village Hall committee for consideration.

ACTION – The clerk was asked to contact the Village Hall committee to see if the football club had been sent the rules, and also to advise that the Parish Council would prefer no parking charge should be made.

A satisfactory outcome is hoped for in order to alleviate the parking on Dob Lane and other parts of the village.

However, we do realise that the parking charge issue is one to be decided between the football club and the village hall.

5. PUBLIC DISCUSSION - None

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED SINCE LAST MEETING

07/2019/7523/ADE – East View Farm – agricultural building

07/2019/7569/HOH – 289 Liverpool Rd – extension

07/2019/7581/HOH – 8 Liverpool Old Rd – extension

07/2019/8092/ADE – Lower Marsh Farm – agricultural building

07/2019/7832/HOH – 13 Walmer Green – extension

It was agreed that there was nothing contentious with these applications.

07/2019/8483/VAR - Carver Hey Farm- Condition 13 – vehicles

ACTION – The clerk will obtain more information concerning this.

7. FINANCIAL STATEMENT

This was discussed and agreed.

A VAT refund of £5174.84 for the period 31/3/16 to 31/3/19 had been received.

8. PAYMENTS

It was agreed to pay Garden Scene an amount of £360.00 for work done in August, to confirm the amount of £360 paid for work done in July and to confirm the amount of £1740 paid for the summer planting.

It was agreed to pay Walmer Bridge Village Hall an amount of £5,000 .This being the final instalment in respect of the refurbishment.

The payment of £58.95 in respect of the repair to the Gym Equipment sign was confirmed.

9. PLANTING REQUIREMENTS AND SCHEDULE

Councillor Dryden had spoken with Paul at Garden-Scene to discuss planting outside the shops and winter planting. His proposals are awaited.

10. BINS, GRASS VERGES, BLOCKED DRAINS AND PUBLIC BOOK LIBRARY

A bin is required on Hall Carr Lane.

ACTION – Councillor J Rainsbury to make this request.

Grass verge on Gill lane from the bypass to the Village Hall.

ACTION – the clerk will find out how frequently this is mowed by SRBC.

Public book library – it was suggested that this could be set up in the village .

ACTION – Councillor Dryden to produce a prototype.

Blocked drains on Great Gill, Tristan Avenue , by the bridge and on the A59.

ACTION – Clerk to report to LCC Highways.

11.CORRESPONDENCE

Walmer Bridge Village Hall – hire costs to rise from this month . It was agreed that we wish to continue meeting there.

Remembrance Sunday – 10th November . Invitation received from SRBC.

An additional wreath will be ordered for the soldier figure at the Village Hall.

Training workshops – Chairmanship and Finance.

Western Parishes in Bloom – Successes in the Village.

Best Community area – Old Mill Court

Best hanging basket display – Mrs Wignall

Highly commended – The Village Teapot

Neighbourhood Forum – 17th September New Longton Methodist Church

BT phonebox removal

BT wish to remove the phone box on Liverpool Rd.

ACTION

Clerk will ask if it is possible for it to remain with a view to converting it to a free public library.

12.MEMBERS ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Wildflowers at the entrance to the village have been much admired.

The clerk will ask Louise Davies if more can be planted at the Gill Lane entrance.

Reports of dog fouling again. This needs to be reported and photos need to be taken.

ACTION – Councillor J Rainsbury to contact the dog warden

The problem will be highlighted on the village Facebook page.

Christmas Tree – this is required before 25th November.

ACTION – Councillor Dryden will order from Bolton Christmas trees.

13.DATE OF NEXT MEETING - October 14th 2019