

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY NOVEMBER 11TH 2019 AT WALMER BRIDGE VILLAGE HALL

ATTENDANCE – Mr L Dryden, Mrs T Wilcock, Mr D Owen & Mr D Rimmer

Also present was one member of the public.

CO-OPTION OF PARISH COUNCILLOR

Caroline Foster, the only candidate, was co-opted to the Parish Council by a unanimous vote.

1.APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mr J Rainsbury & Mrs S Rainsbury.

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

A quotation for the painting of the container had been received , the licence issue having been resolved. It was agreed that a decision would be made regarding the paint at the January meeting.

With regard to the parking at the Village Hall , the football club will contact the Village Hall Committee and offer to pay £5 a time for it's use.

PLANTING REQUIREMENTS AND SCHEDULE

Councillor Dryden had met Paul from Garden-Scene , but matters were still to be resolved .

The clerk will ask Paul for a breakdown of the invoice for the summer planting, to establish if this was solely for plants or plants and labour.

Before a decision was made regarding the contract renewal, the wording will be renewed and refreshed resulting in a more detailed service specification. Garden-Scene to be advised accordingly.

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Councillor Dryden advised that this was almost completed.

## CHRISTMAS FAYRE

This will take place on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December at Walmer Bridge Village Hall. Prior to this the tree at the “Walmer Bridge” will be lit and carols sung.

## BIKE RACK

The clerk had spoken to the manager of Spar. It has been agreed that a bike rack will be placed to the side of the car park.

## PUBLIC DISCUSSION

A member of the public advised that children had been entering the school grounds out of school hours. It was agreed that the headmaster would be contacted to ensure that the school was aware of this. This action to be taken before any notification to the police.

## 6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED SINCE LAST MEETING

07/2019/9654/FUL – Hillthorpe Farm – Change of use of building

07/2019/1075/FUL – Hillock House – Erection of detached dwelling.

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

## 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENT

This was discussed and agreed.

## 8. PAYMENTS

It was agreed to pay Garden Scene an amount of £360.00 for work done in October and to confirm payment of the same amount for work in November

It was agreed to pay £23.40 for plants for Walmer Green gardens.

It was agreed to pay £62 to Walmer Bridge Village Hall for 6 month's rent

It was agreed to pay the Royal British Legion £150 for the lamp post poppies and £56 for two wreathes.

It was mentioned that there had been a favourable reaction to the lamp post poppies .

## 9. TO CONSIDER GARDEN-SCENE'S CONTRACT FOR 2020

This had been discussed earlier in the meeting.

#### 10. TO DECIDE THE PRECEPT BUDGET FOR 2020/2021

The consensus was that the precept should remain the same as last year at an amount of £22,500.

#### 11. TO CONSIDER FUTURE DATES FOR THE COMMUNITY GARDEN CLUB

Details of this will be placed on Facebook – anyone who is interested to contact Councillor Dryden.

#### 12. CORRESPONDENCE

An e-mail had been received from a member of the public concerning speeding through the village, the need for speed checks, the lack of signage for the 20mph limit, litter and dog fouling and pavement repairs.

It was agreed that Councillor Dryden will research the cost of speed indicator signs and possibly a “sleeping policeman.”

The police will be contacted concerning the speed checks issue.

The problem of dog fouling would be highlighted on the village facebook page, and the pavement repairs would need to be reported directly to Lancashire County Council Highways Department.

#### 12. MEMBERS ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

PACT meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> November – a report of proceedings to be requested together with the date of the next meeting.

Dob Lane Playing field – gap in hedge next to the ball park .Re-planting required.

Tree lights to be purchased for the trees at the Community gardens.

More street lighting required by the Spar.

It was suggested that reflective strips could be purchased for the schoolchildren’s bags. Councillor Owen was to research.

#### 13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING - January 13<sup>th</sup> 2020.