

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

ATTENDANCE – Mr D Rimmer, Mrs C Roper , Mrs M Kirkman, Mr J Rainsbury, Mrs S Rainsbury, Mrs Lesley Standish and Mr L Dryden.

Also present were two members of the public.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE - None

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

The increase in dog fouling in the village had been reported to South Ribble Borough Council.

The outdoor gym equipment will be in place on 12th March.

The clerk is still awaiting confirmation from NatWest Bank that the signatories have been amended.

A request has been made for a new waste bin at Sea View. This will be situated near the noticeboard.

The road at Sea View has been resurfaced and is much improved.

The Chairman will be contacting the owners of the Village Teapot concerning parking problems.

The Chairman had attended the workshop training evening on March 7th and found this to be most useful.

5. PUBLIC DISCUSSION

TRAFFIC PROBLEMS

A member of the public voiced his concern about the increase in traffic violations on Liverpool Old Rd mainly due to speeding. He thought that speed bumps may help to solve the problem.

He was advised that speed bumps are no longer used and in fact they are being removed on some roads.

There was also the problem of parking , in particular parking on the pavement outside Spar.

These problems will be mentioned at the next PACT meeting.

WALMER BRIDGE VILLAGE HALL REFURBISHMENT

A member of the committee was present to provide an update on the above.

He advised that there is still outstanding work to be done particularly to the toilets including the disabled toilet.

It is hoped that the work will be completed by the end of April.

They are hoping to get sponsors for future fund raising and he advised that they do need more helpers.

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED SINCE LAST MEETING

No new applications have been received.

PREVIOUS APPLICATIONS

07/2018/6417/FUL – Retrospective application for change of use of land and siting of steel shipping container at Dob Lane Recreation ground.

On contacting the Planning Officer, we have been advised that the application was approved in November 2018 by delegated authority.

The decision imposed two conditions – this was a temporary permission for three years only and the unit was only to be used for the storage of sports equipment.

Councillor J Rainsbury will query why we had not been aware of this decision at the time.

The clerk will contact Walmer Bridge Football Club to request that the whole of the container be repainted to a good standard.

7. APPOINTMENT OF INTERNAL AUDITOR

It was agreed to appoint John Robinson as our internal auditor.

8. FINANCIAL STATEMENT

This was discussed and agreed. VAT on goods and services will be claimed in the next few months.

9. PAYMENTS

It was agreed to pay Garden Scene an amount of £360.00 for work done in February.

It was agreed to pay the clerk her quarterly salary of £750 and her 6 month's expenses of £106.63.

It was agreed to pay Walmer Bridge Village Hall an amount of £40 in respect of 4 month's rental.

A payment of £3,500 to Walmer Bridge Village Hall in respect of refurbishment was confirmed.

10. PACT MEETING REPORT

PACT meeting did not take place. We are looking into this and need to know when the meeting will take place.

.11. CORRESPONDENCE

Western Parishes in Bloom – 2019

Thanksgiving Service – 12th May 2019.

12. MEMBERS ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Nomination papers for the forthcoming election should be with the clerk during the weekend of 23rd and 24th March.

There have been a spate of car break-ins. These should always be reported to the police.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING - April 8th 2019