



Hapton Parish Council

Monday, 12th April 2021

Present: Councillor Birbeck (in the Chair) and Councillors Differ, Downham, Fowke, Greenwood and Lakeland.

Others: Steve Watson (Clerk).

Parish Council Agenda

Councillor Birbeck opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

	Action	By
21/22/010 Apology for absence and reasons given		
Apologies were submitted on behalf of Councillor Henry Kayley who was away.		
21/22/011 Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest / Code of Conduct		
There were no declarations of disclosable pecuniary interest.		
21/22/012 The meeting would be adjourned for Public Participation.		
RESOLVED: That the meeting would be adjourned to welcome comments from members of the public.		
There was no public present. A Highways Officer is to be invited to the next meeting if the Accrington Road improvements have been completed.		

There was no County Council report.		
There was no Borough Council report.		
21/22/013 The meeting was formally re-convened for business		
21/22/014 Minutes of the virtual meeting held on the 8th March 2021.		
The minutes of the last meeting were submitted for approval as a correct record.		
RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the virtual Parish Council meeting held on the 8th March 2021 are approved as a correct record and will be signed at the next physical Council meeting.		
21/22/015 Matter Outstanding as listed		
The list of Landowners will be moved to the next meeting, although the area cannot be practically fenced off. Motorbikes are accessing the moor from the roundabout off the A56. The cameras were covered earlier and the pathway will no longer be done if fences are being installed, it is to be checked if gates are going to be installed for the Bonfire event. The Lengthsman signs will be at the next meeting. The allotment letters have been sent.	Landowners Gates	CC AH TB
A quote for a bridge was discussed. A steel mesh bridge will cost £3,800 plus VAT. Land ownership was discussed and a narrow entrance to prevent bikes using it. A windfarm application is to be submitted for funding and the quote will then be considered.	Provide Quote Application	TB Clerk
21/22/016 Updates		
Update on Events		
There were no updates.		
21/22/017 Councillor Reports including reports from representatives of outside bodies		
Community Centre		
The painting has not been done and it was agreed that the Councillors would volunteer and do it themselves. A site visit is to be held at 2:00pm on Sunday to see what needs to be done. Councillor Fowke agreed to be the lead Councillor.		
21/22/018 Lengthsman		
The Lengthsman did not work the previous week and a full day's work to check out camera locations was questioned. The grass cutting has started, however other jobs also need to be considered and a priority list of jobs is to be devised. It was suggested that Burnley Borough Council should be doing more grass cutting and the Borough Councillors are to be asked to provide a		

<p>program of works for grass cutting across the Borough to ascertain if Hapton is getting a fair share and to campaign if it is not. With the resignation of Councillor Kayley, who was lead Councilor for the Lengthsman, it was agreed that the first contact for the Lengthsman would be the Chair with the Vice-chair as the second contact.</p>	<p>Grass Cutting Schedule</p>	<p>Borough Councillors</p>
<p>The fence at the top of the hill next to the Community Centre is rotten and needs repairing. The fence by the bench needs painting as well as the railings outside the school and by the railway station. It was agreed to allocate 1 Lengthsman day to painting. An allotment fence also needs replacing. Plants also need ordering for the planters.</p>		
<p>21/22/019 Allotments</p>		
<p>One tenant has given notice, the plot has been left neat and tidy and the deposit will be refunded. The plot has been let and the new tenant is paying the rent and deposit in 4 installments. There are 4 on the Waiting List, 11 tenants have paid the rent and 1 tenant has paid for 2 years. A tenant who didn't pay last year has been asked for 2 years rent. The untidy plot has been cleared.</p>		
<p>The Windfarm scheme has reopened and an application is to be made for Community Skips, which will be staffed by the County Councillor. It was agreed to apply for 18 skips for the year to be put in 3 locations and Quicker Skips and Enviro skips are to be asked to quote for the largest skip.</p>		
<p>21/22/020 Planning</p>		
<p>The following applications were considered:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. PASP/2021/0083 - Installation of solar panels, Technology House Magensium Way Hapton 2. HOU/2021/0177 - Single storey side extension, first floor and two storey extension to rear/side, 46 Kings Drive Hapton Lancashire <p>There were no comments if the neighbours don't object.</p>		
<p>21/22/021 Finances</p>		
<p>The following invoices were tabled.</p>	<p>Bill's for payment:</p>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ben Ellis 2. Tesco Flowers 3. Clerk's Salary – (Standing Order) Paid 4. Clerk Pay rise 2020 5. HMRC Clerk Tax 6. M.J. Greenwood Lengthsman 7. Allotment deposit return A. Palmer 8. S. Watson Trail Cameras 	<p>£4,200.00 £15.00 £216.13 £13.04 £57.29 £300.00 £200.00 £250.00</p>	<p>100688 Paid 100689 Paid S/O Paid 100690 100691 100692 100693 100694</p>
<p>1.2 Income</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Allotment Rents 	<p>£837.50</p>	

Bank Balances – Fundraising Account	£12,464.65		
Expenses Account	£25,538.58		
Environmental Account	£3,800.00		
TOTAL	£41,803.23		
The Budget Monitoring Report, Bank Reconciliations payments and receipts were noted. The Bank balances were also noted.			
Resolved: That the above bills are paid and the monitoring reports are noted.			
21/22/022 Clerk’s Report including Correspondence			
The Clerk’s report was noted.			
RESOLVED: That the Clerk’s Report is noted.			
21/22/023 Visual Audits			
A pot-hole on Kingsway is a mess and vehicles are still using the left-hand lane at junction 8 of the M65 to turn right and the area is full of rubbish. The shelter roof in the play are has been reported as damaged to Parks.			
21/22/024 Date of next meeting			
Date of the next meeting Monday 10 th May 2221 at 7:00pm if permitted under regulations.			