



## Hapton Parish Council

### Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> October 2018

**Present:** Councillor Birbeck (in the Chair), Councillors Downham, Kayley and Lakeland, Borough and County Councillor Hosker.

**Others:** Ann Roberts (Clerk).

#### Parish Council Agenda

Councillor Birbeck opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

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<b>18/19/080 Apology for absence and reasons given</b>		
Apologies were received from S Watson and Councillor J Greenwood.		
<b>18/19/081 Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest / Code of Conduct</b>		
There were no declarations of disclosable pecuniary interest.		
<b>18/19/082 RESOLVED: That the meeting would be adjourned to welcome comments from members of the public.</b>		
No members of the public were present at the meeting.		
There was no Police report and no PACT priorities.		
There was no Neighbourhood Watch report.		

<p>Borough and County Councillor Hosker reported that County had spoken to the resident of Mill Hall Lane regarding the issues with the boulders. A discussion took place around the ownership of the land around the stream area. Clerk to contact the Land Registry regarding the boundary changes for the land.</p> <p>County had previously removed boulders from the layby.</p> <p>It was re-iterated that County can only remove boulders, etc. from land owned by County or from Highways.</p> <p>JL asked for a 'Passing Only' and 'No Litter' sign to be installed at the passing area to stop parking and littering.</p> <p>It was suggested that it would be helpful if the Friends of Castle Clough Woods Group started up again, as they could help with litter picking and general tidy ups.</p> <p>JL asked LCC or BCC to provide footpath improvements. If this is not possible, JL asked for a response to be sent to the Parish Council.</p> <p>Parish Council to write to LCC and Highways requesting footpath improvements.</p> <p>BCllr/CCllr Hosker reported that there were two prosecutions pending for fly tipping by Burnley Borough Council.</p> <p>JL highlighted that the footbridge is dangerous (Footbridge No. 43) and it was agreed that this would be added to the letter to ICC.</p> <p>JL also highlighted that the drain, half way between the stream and the highway is blocked, causing drainage into the stream, which is eroding the banking. It was agreed that this issue would also be added to the Parish Council letter.</p>		<p><b>SW</b></p> <p><b>SW</b></p>
<p>The Chair provided an update on behalf of Cllr Greenwood. The goalposts will be replaced by the 2<sup>nd</sup> week in November 2018. The sandpit is to be rotavated and sprayed by the end of October 2018, this will be added to the list going forward. The pile of soil near the sandpit is going to be used to sort out the soak away, in the next two weeks, as suggested at the last meeting. The dry-stone wall repairs and the quote for the PowerPoint on the court is still outstanding and will be followed up by Shaun Kerr. Shaun has taken over from Andy Buck at Greenspaces. JG is available to help out with the bonfire as usual.</p>		
<p>JL highlighted that the lights outside the Community Centre were not working. A discussion took place around whether the lights were on a timer or whether they were faulty.</p>		
<p>A discussion took place around the football pitches and the drainage from the fields into the allotments.</p>		

A discussion took place around various traffic issues including speeding, running red lights at Canal Bridge and requesting a lollipop lady for the primary school in Hapton.		
JL explained that she had requested a dog bin on Hambledon Road, 50 yards up on the right-hand side on the speed sign (30mph/70mph). It was agreed that the Parish Council would write to BBC to request a dog bin on Hambledon Road.		
JL informed the meeting that a retrospective planning application for storage units at Thorneybank Industrial Estate has been rejected at the appeal stage. JL has written to the Borough Council explaining that the units have improved the area which is the gateway from Hyndburn.		
<p><b>RESOLVED: It was resolved that the Parish Council would write to LCC/Highways highlighting the following issues:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Footpath Improvements</b></li> <li>• <b>Footbridge No. 43 is dangerous</b></li> <li>• <b>the drain, half way between the stream and the highway on is blocked, causing drainage into the stream, which is eroding the banking.</b></li> <li>• <b>Add cameras on the traffic lights at Canal Bridge.</b></li> <li>• <b>Ask LCC to consider a Lollipop Lady for the primary school at Hapton.</b></li> </ul> <p>• <b>It was agreed that the Parish Council would write to BBC to request a dog bin on Hambledon Road.</b></p> <p>• <b>It was resolved that the Clerk would carry out a Land Registry search</b></p>	<p><b>Letter to LCC</b></p> <p><b>Letter to BBC</b></p>	<p><b>Clerk</b></p> <p><b>Clerk</b></p> <p><b>SW</b></p>
<b>18/19/083 The meeting was formally re-convened for business</b>		
<b>18/19/084 Minutes of the last meeting held on the 9<sup>th</sup> July 2018.</b>		
The minutes of the last meeting were submitted for approval as a correct record.		
<b>RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 9<sup>th</sup> July 2018 are approved as a correct record.</b>		
<b>18/19/085 Matter Outstanding as listed</b>		
<b>Deeds for Land Outstanding</b>		
<b>Dog Signs</b> As JG was not at the meeting, this issue remains outstanding.		

<p><b>Beech Trees</b> MG                  MG reported that he had received a quote for £105 for 50 Beech trees. It was agreed that MG would source the trees. MG to forward quote to SW  <b>RESOLVED:</b>  <b>MG to source 50 Beech trees and forward quote onto SW.</b></p>		<b>MG</b>
<p><b>School for Carols</b>                  JL explained that she had contacted Christine Duckworth, who had passed JL's email onto Paula Duncan and Bev Moorhouse and was awaiting a reply.</p>		
<p><b>Leaflets</b>                  JG to provide information to residents regarding the bonfire and fireworks event.</p>		
<p><b>Bonfire</b>                  Details of the Bonfire event will be reposted on social media and the Parish Council website. Residents will be asked to collect wood and deliver it to the bonfire site. A request will be issued for volunteers to help build the bonfire on Saturday morning.</p>		
<p><b>18/19/086 Updates</b></p>		
<p><b>Website</b>                  The website and Facebook page have been updated.</p>		
<p><b>Facebook</b>                  TB to add details of Bonfire Night and Remembrance Day.                  SW to confirm that the Remembrance Day wreaths had been ordered.                  Residents will be asked to be mindful of the road closures on Remembrance Day.</p>		<b>TB SW</b>
<p><b>Update on Events</b>                  Bonfire Night: 10<sup>th</sup> November 2018                  Christmas Lights Switch On: 26<sup>th</sup> November 2018                  Parish Council Christmas Meal: 10<sup>th</sup> December 2018, after Parish Council meeting. Hapton Inn or Railway Inn (if Hapton Inn is closed).</p>		
<p><b>Heritage Group</b>                  JL explained that she had nothing new to report on behalf of the Heritage Group.                  JL reported that she wanted to have an event Townley Hall, however it is fully booked until September 2019. The project expires before this date; therefore, an alternative venue will need to be found. Volunteers are being sought to transcribe Lady Townley's Will. Information has been placed on the local noticeboards.</p>		

JL highlighted that the paint on Hapton Valley noticeboard is peeling off. JL requested that groups help to keep the noticeboards tidy by remove their notices once their event is over.		
<b>Community Centre</b>		
A discussion took place around the responsibility for the Community Room. It was reported that both vent covers on the outside of the building had been vandalised.		
<b>18/19/087 Councillor Reports including reports from representatives of outside bodies</b>		
Updates were provided earlier in the meeting.		
<b>18/19/088 Lengthsman</b>		
Hedge cutting complete. MG to dispose of rotten tree base on the park. New work to be carried out includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work at the Chapel</li> <li>• Water Street to be finished off</li> <li>• Allotment bushes to be planted</li> <li>• Planters to be emptied and replanted. Dummy CCTV camera to be installed on the lamppost across from the bottom planters</li> <li>• Peace Garden to be tidied up</li> </ul>		<b>MG</b>
<b>18/19/089 Allotments</b>		
CD reported that the allotments are full and that there are two applications on the waiting list. No new applications have been received.		
<b>18/19/090 Planning</b>		
<b>APP/2018/0466 – Internal and external alterations and construction of a garden house, 209A Manchester Road.</b>		
No objections were raised at the meeting.		
<b>RESOLVED: That any Applications received requiring a reply before the next meeting are delegated to the Clerk in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair.</b>		
<b>18/19/091 Finances</b>		
The following invoices were tabled.	Bill's for payment:	
1. Clerk's Salary – September (Standing Order)	£184.48 S/O Paid	
2. HMRC Clerk Tax September	£46.12 100585	
3. M J Greenwood Lengthsman September	£400.00 S/O Paid	

4. A Roberts Clerk Cover	£60.00 100586		
The Budget Monitoring Report, Bank Reconciliations payments and receipts were noted. The Bank balances were also noted.			
<b>RESOLVED: That the above bills are paid.</b>			
<b>18/19/092 Clerk's Report including Correspondence</b>			
No correspondence was received prior to the meeting.			
<b>RESOLVED: That the Clerk's Report is noted.</b>			
<b>18/19/093 Visual Audits</b>			
Pot hole at the entrance to the car park to be reported to LCC. Outside lights at the Centre are not working. Timer to be checked. Tennis Courts lights not on. 51 Accrington Road: several scrapped cars had been removed however more cars have appeared.			
<b>18/19/094 Quality Council Status and Power of Competence</b>			
Policies will be considered at the next meeting.		<b>Policies</b>	<b>Clerk</b>
<b>18/19/095 Good Councillor Guide - Part 9</b>			
This agenda item was deferred to the next meeting.			<b>Clerk</b>
<b>18/19/096 Date of next meeting</b>			
Date of the next meeting Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> November 2018 and will start at 7:00pm.			