



Hapton Parish Council

Monday, 9th June 2014

Present: Councillor Birbeck (in the Chair) and Councillors Charlton, Dawson, Kayley and Lakeland.

Others: Borough Councillor Joanne Greenwood, County Councillor Marcus Johnson, S. Watson (Clerk) plus 1 resident.

Parish Council Agenda

Councillor Birbeck took the Chair, opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

14/15/021 Co-option onto the Parish Council

There was no candidate for co-option onto the Parish Council.

14/15/022 Apology for absence and reasons given

Apologies were submitted on behalf of PCSO Chris Farrar and Borough Councillors Jonathan Barker and Jean Cunningham.

14/15/023 Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest / Code of Conduct

There were no declarations of disclosable pecuniary interest.

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14/15/024 RESOLVED: That the meeting would be adjourned to welcome comments from members of the public.

Borough Councillor Joanne Greenwood had forwarded an email from Simon Goff with regards to the football pitch drainage and work commencing. It was noted that funding was secure and would not be taken back and that soil is to be sprayed and re-allocated. Total Turf Solutions need to be pushed to start the work.

14/15/025 The meeting was formally re-convened for business

14/15/026 Minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting held on the 12th May.

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting held on the 12th May are approved as a true record.

14/15/027 Minutes of the last meeting held on the 12th May 2014.

The minutes of the last meeting were submitted for approval as a correct record.

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 12th May are approved as a correct record.

14/15/028 Update on Website

The website has been updated and more articles were requested.

14/15/029 Update on Events

The War Commemoration event is progressing well, the Ice Cream Lady has been booked and the Brownies have been contacted but are not able to attend. The Chocolate Lady is away and the Heritage group have agreed to provide refreshments. The school have declined to become involved but will publicise the event in their newsletter. A football group is to be contacted through Jamie for the 'no man's land tournament' idea and the Bird People are attending. The Barbeque is sorted and the bikers will provide a stall with 6-10 Bikes. The British Legion are also invited and a poster and Press Release is needed.

The toffee man and music is sorted and the only re-enactment society found was in Essex. The Borough Councillors will again provide a stall and the football match and Treasure Hunt will be progressed with war posters to find the name of a sweet with a code breaker, Councillor Dawson will provide posters.

It was suggested that the Territorial Army is invited and a possible parachute display, although it was recognized parachutes were not available during the First World War. The Army cadet will be contacted to provide a recruitment stall and a Benedictine stall was mentioned.

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Councillor Cunningham will be asked about chairs, tables and gazebos from the town Council.

14/15/030 Councillor Reports including reports from representatives of outside bodies

Councillor Lakeland was unable to attend the PACT meeting and Councillor Kayley was unable to attend the LALC meeting. It was noted that a resident had recently had her dogs attacked whilst out on a walk, the dog warden has attended but the alleged culprit has denied responsibility. The dogs on leads signs are to be chased.

The Heritage Group had contacted Burnley College who were interested in students painting the Muriel wall after September.

Borough Councillor Barker has got Way Markers for pathways and the woods and Hambledon paths were now clear.

14/15/031 Finances

The following invoices were tabled.

Bill's for payment:

Clerk's Salary	£129.87
HMRC Clerk's Tax	£32.47
Burnley Borough Council – Rec Ground	£36,275.13
L Abram – Internal Audit	£100.00

Resolved: That the above bills are paid.

The budget monitoring report and bank statements were provided and agreed.

The following bank balances for April were noted.

- Fundraising Account £ 1,914.65
- Expenses £30,410.63
- Env. Account £ 5,323.55
- **Total £37,648.83**

RESOLVED: The bank balances, reconciliation and the budget monitoring report are approved.

Allotment income is still outstanding 1 payment. The 'K' render for the wall will cost between £3,000 and £4,000 and it was noted that the repayments to Burnley Borough were in installments as further funding is due to be received. The Internal Audit Report will be considered at the next meeting.

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14/15/032 Planning Applications

There were no Planning Applications received.

14/15/033 Clerk’s Report including Correspondence

The Correspondence was noted. A 20mph zone has been requested on Mill Hill Lane and the County Councillor agreed to progress this. Smith Sutcliffe have confirmed that they are holding the Letters Patent free of charge and a LALC agenda had been received. Councillor Lakeland is still to view the Council Deeds and the Deed of dedication is to be signed.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk’s Report and correspondence is noted.

14/15/034 Visual Audits

The Pet Hotel hedgerow is encroaching over the footpath causing residents to walk in the road, the owner to be requested to trim the hedge. The nettles on Manchester Road are waist high and the piece of land at the end of Ruskin Grove has been cut badly. The 2nd gate on the Hambeldon Walk before the woods entrance no longer allows access and needs to be reported to the Forest of Burnley and it was noted that a dog bin is due to be installed near Burnley Bridge.

The school have requested the use of the Community Room on Tuesday afternoons for the remainder of the term.

An electricity box on Manchester Road has been installed for fiber optic broadband as part of the Lancashire Super-Fast Broadband scheme.

14/15/035 Date of next meeting

Date of the next meeting Monday 14th July 2014, and will commence at 7:00pm.

The meeting closed at 8:10pm and all present were thanked for attending.

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