

Hebden Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held Wednesday 30th September 2015

Present: Cllrs, Joy, Hargreaves. Stockdale, Hodge, Coney
Apologies: none
Minutes: The Minutes of the meeting held 19th August 2015, which had been previously circulated, were taken as read and approved.

Matters Arising:

Street lighting: Cllr Hodge has been very busy sorting the problem of the 3 lights that have been off since June when CDC removed the fuse in the toilet block to avoid paying npower the connection fee. He is to meet Rachel Walbank from CDC to put back the fuse so by next week the lights should be back on. The Clerk will receive a letter to say Hebden PC will now pay this charge of £54 and the date when the fuse was removed so HPC can have the NYCC reduce the electricity account by 3 lights for this period. In the longer term he suggests a “pillar” for our separate supply and have an underground line to the light at the bridge. Cllr Hodge will meet Mr Bell from NYCC to discuss this.

Retaining wall in Brook Street: The wall above the beck beyond the end of Brook Street has collapsed in one place. Cllr Hargreaves has asked Stuart Naylor to look at it and send a quote.

Allen Garth & horses; Laura puts her horse on this land rented by the McGowans and wondered if there was a ruling about a second horse. Cllr Stockdale said he thought not but no horses were permitted on the month of December. Cllr Coney will speak to Laura about this.

Defibrillator update: Martyn will come to speak to residents and explain how it works and see if he can enlist some locals as first aiders. At the present he’s too busy at the Cafe but suggests we fix a date later in the season and Cllr Hodge can email residents and the Clerk put up a notice.

Correspondence: There was none.

Accounts

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| Bank statement c/a@ 28/09/15 C/A | £ 221.11 |
| Bank statement s/a@ 28/09/15 D/A | £3210.27 |
| SBS bond | £5000.00 |

Monies received

Payments for approval

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| Stuart Naylor grass cutting 6 th 20 th & 31 st Aug | £45.00 |
| SLCC annual subs | £48.00 |
| S. Ely ½ yr sal & expenses | £359.13 |
| Mr J Gardner for internal audit | £50.00 |

Year end accounts signed off by PKF. No charge. The Cllrs thanked Mr Gardner for his good work as Internal Auditor resulting in no queries being raised and thus no charge for the signing off of the year’s accounts. The Clerk is to pass on these thanks.

Any other Business: Cllr Joy wasn’t sure about the winter bus timetable but this is to stay the same as at present and no changes will occur till next April. Cllr Hodge had sent round

forms so the Hub might assess the need for the minibus but the Clerk had only received 2 replies and taken them to the Hub. A concern is for the lack of driver volunteers. It is hoped something will be put in place before Hebden loses its buses.

Cllr Stockdale asked about the previous concern about the overhanging branches and danger to cars parked beneath. The Clerk has had no reply to the letter sent last month so will write again. It was noted that it will soon be time to replace with saplings the chestnuts felled last year on the bank.

Cllr Coney & Cllr Hodge had checked the playground equipment and found a severely corroded support bar to the middle swing. Stuart Naylor is to be asked to look at this as an urgent matter and repair asap. The Rospa inspection is due shortly.

The Clerk had received back from NYCC Highways that after inspection they saw no problem with vegetation and drainage on the main road bridge.

Cllr Hargreaves had been requested to get the Parish Council to do something about the parking problem for residents in the village. This has been raised before but it was decided that the Clerk would write to Highways to ask for a designated residents parking space along the main street from outside Bank View Cottage to the telephone box.

Cllr Joy explained why he hadn't attended the meeting with Cllr Rooze from Grassington and felt that we should be approached as a council and not an individual.

Date of next meeting:

It was agreed to hold this meeting on **Wednesday 4th November 2015** in the Ibbotson Institute at 7.30pm.