

Hebden Parish Council
Minutes of the meeting held Wednesday 30th November 2016

Present: Cllrs, Joy, Coney, Longthorne, Wilson

Apologies: Cllr Hodge

Minutes: The Minutes of the meeting held 19th October 2016, which had been previously circulated, were taken as read and approved.

Matters arising:

Tree matters: The Clerk had heard from Ms N Dinsdale of YDNP who said there wasn't enough proof to prosecute for the tree cutting by Mr Ives. The Clerk was asked to contact her and say that at least a strongly worded letter should be sent to him. The horsechestnut donated by Mrs Hargraves has been planted using the old metal guard. Mr Ferguson has an oak tree he'd like to donate. The Clerk will write and thank him and it will be decided at the next meeting where to plant it. YDNP has given permission to fell a split rowan at the Bungalow. A large fir tree has fallen from the beck towards the ghyll road taking a branch off the roadside tree. Cllr Hodge will be asked to give his opinion when he returns from holiday.

Water troughs up the hill: Cllr Hodge met with the YW and they found the stop cock in High Bank Side and turned the water off. On 28/11/16 Cllr Hodge turned the water back on and will check the ball cocks when he's back.

Gate in wall in playground to cafe:

Land by Toilet: Mr Montfort apologised for his absence but his father has died recently. Both these matters are therefore on hold. An update on the toilet work will be given at the next meeting.

Christine's seat: It is hoped this will be delivered on Friday. The Clerk will give the driver the phone number of Cllr Coney who will be there to give directions and sign the delivery note.

CDC form to sign for lease of toilet: Cllr Joy as Chairman and S Ely as Clerk signed the Deed Surrender to be returned to CDC with a copy kept for HPC records.

Grass cutting 2016/17: There had been a confusing letter from CDC about payment to HPC which was then withdrawn. The Clerk said she'd like to bring up at the Annual Meeting of the Residents that the strip of grass now being cut by Stuart be planted up with wild flowers.

YW and customised sewage for Hebden: Cllr Hodge had brought this to the attention of the Cllrs where a company WPL installed a sewage system. It was felt this would be an expense that wasn't needed.

Highways: Further to the letter sent after the last meeting about the 2 potholes up the bank an email had been received saying they had been inspected and the surveyor arranged for them to be repaired.

Planning YDNP: No 1 Brook Street The Cllrs approved again this 2 storey extension and supported it as a family home and agreed to the 2 parking spaces. A letter had been received from the future owner so the Clerk will reply giving their recommendations. The Cllrs gave no comment to the change from a window to a door at Scar Top, a listed building.

Accounts

Bank statement c/a@17/10/16 C/A	£206.23
Bank statement s/a@ 17/10/16 D/A	£3712.21
SBS bond	£5000.00 to be cashed

Monies received		
Powergen	wayleave	£86.84
BT	wayleave	£3.00
Payments for approval		
Stuart Naylor-	grass cutting x2	£39.00

Precept figures and discussion: The Cllrs were given the figures and notes from the Clerk and there was considerable discussion about the financial needs for the coming year. There was concern about extra costs in the electricity supply work though hopefully this has been covered by the SBS Bond. There was also a worry about the cost of tree felling after the large fir tree that came down in the gales last week. In the end they decided to ask for a precept of £1500 just for the coming year. Cllr Joy and the Clerk signed the CDC form.

Land letting: The tenancy agreements finish this year. The Clerk will put up a notice saying that the fields are to be let again on a 3 year agreement and that bids are to be received by the Clerk before the Monday 23rd January 2017. Then the highest bidders will be told and the new agreements start the 1st February. The Clerk will write to the existing tenants. Any resident wanting to know the previous bid price can apply to the Clerk.

Any other business:

There will be no beacon request to CDC as there is no suitable place for one. Mr & Mrs Galloway from Moor View have moved to Kettlewell leaving a car, caravanette and a motor bike parked opposite the PO. They have removed the bags of rubbish so it is hoped they remove their vehicles but at the present no action can be taken by the Council.

Cllr Coney wanted the bridleway sign put back up by the new gate. The Clerk will call in the office of Mr Longthorne and ask for this to be done.

Date of next meeting

This will be in the Ibbotson Institute on **Wednesday 11th January 2017 at 7.30pm**