

Minutes of Hebden Parish Annual Council Meeting Wednesday 10th July 2019

Present: Cllrs, Joy, Longthorne, Coney, Hodge, Wilson

Apologies : None

Cllr Joy introduced Ms Emily Shepherd to speak on Affordable Housing in Hebden. A land owner had put forward a field for development to the west of Brayshaw Lane and outside the protected Green Space, as an "Exception site". The plans had a "green light" from the YDNP. The housing would be to rent or shared ownership up to a maximum of 80%.with the Housing Association. Those applying would have to have lived in Hebden 3 years, work locally or have close family in the Parish. A survey would be sent to the Hebden residents to assess the need for such housing. Ms Shepherd will send HPC a copy of the survey. Cllrs were told of such a build in Kettlewell. Ms Shepherd then left the meeting.

Minutes: The Minutes of the meeting held 29th May 2019, which had been previously circulated, were taken as read and approved.

Matters Arising

Obstruction by cars to gate of Playground and also the Notice board.:Cllr Hodge had sent the Cllrs a photo of a white line in Linton with the notice Keep Access Clear at all Times. It was decided that Highways be asked to paint a single white line outside the playground entrance and in front of the notice board by the Institute. Cllr Hodge will check out the costs of getting 2 signs printed.

Ash tree survey: The Clerk had walked along paths and roads where HPC owned land and where ash trees may become a problem as they die. She had identified 4 that might cause a future hazard so they will be monitored.

Bench up the ghyll – Mr Tarr: Cllr Joy had met Major Tarr and he agreed to pay for the new wooden slats on the seat in the ghyll by the trees planted in memory of his wife. Cllr Hodge had replaced one slat and will go ahead with the others. The wood came from Merritt & Fryers and he will get an invoice so he can be reimbursed by Mr Tarr.

Grass cutting by bench : Mr Ian Simpson had cleared the grass by the seats. The Clerk will write to thank him.

Ben White had cut the grass between the footpath and Fred Singleton's seat and will send his invoice so it can be forwarded to YDMT. This will use up the last of the grant.

Two holly guards have been replaced.

Monies received

rpa Stewardship 2018 finally paid	£416.91
HMRC VAT repayment	£689.93

Payments for approval

ICO annual fee	£40.00
Internal audit from Mrs Isaac	£60.00
NYCC for 2018/19 street lights reduced from £380.92 to £184.95+ VAT36.99	£221.94

This account always needs checking!

The Clerk gave out Annual Electricity expenses from 2010 to show savings from work undertaken on new LED lights on new poles from a maximum of £643 in 2014 to the present figure of £221. Note there is still an outstanding account due from NYCC for new poles fitted last year.

Charity Commission Return figures :The Clerk handed the Cllrs the spreadsheet giving this years Return figures. At first glance it looked as if there was an error in the shared expenses as the Admin figure was high. However the Clerk has checked it with the Cash Book and will send out the Cllrs the copy of the expenses last year that confirm the figures. It can be agreed at next month's meeting.

Any Other Matters

Cllr Joy asked if Mr Mellor from Area 5 Highways had been in touch about the double yellow lines in the main street as requested, to keep the road open to wide vehicles. The Clerk had sent him 3 photos showing the problem when cars parked on both sides of the road. He had not replied.

Cllr Wilson said that there was a gap in the wall above Thors Ghyll in a bottom part of Low Bank Side. The Clerk will write to Mrs Bullough.

The wooden safety fence on the right of the ghyll road has a middle section where the wood has rotted. The Clerk will write to Highways.

Mr Fretwell had asked about having a triangle of land by the telephone box mowed. It was not considered a parish responsibility.

The Clarendon pub sign in the ghyll was not actually bolted to the wall so no action was now to be taken.

Cllr Hodge handed over 2 signs off old seats by the bridge for Mr & Mrs Wall and Billy Barwick and they were placed in the Archives.

**Date of next meeting
21st August in the Ibbotson Institute**

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