

## **Minutes of the meeting of Blackshaw Parish Council held on Monday 27 October 2014 at Blackshaw head Methodist Church**

**Present:** Cllr. Mick Davies (in the Chair), Cllr. Steve Hoyle, Cllr. Dorothy Sutcliffe, Cllr. Pat Beechill, Cllr. Tim Cole, Cllr. Carol King and two members of the public.

**In attendance:** Maggie Boyle (Clerk)

1. **Apologies:** Cllr. Chris Lund.
2. **Declarations of interest – None.**
3. **Minutes of the Parish Council meeting 22 September 2014 –** Agreed as correct record and signed by Chairman.
4. **Matters Arising from PC meeting 22 September 2014 –**
  - 4.1. **Arrows –** Halifax Harriers had written to say the markings were not theirs as they use wooden signs. Cllrs. asked the Clerk to write to CMBC to remove them as they seem to be Calderdale Way signs; to write to Halifax Harriers to let them know that the arrows had been identified.
  - 4.2. **CMBC hosted webpages for the PC –** The Clerk was asked to follow up the email from Sarah Richardson.
  - 4.3. **CCTV for Blackshaw Parish –** Peter Woodhouse, CCTV Co-ordinator for CMBC, will attend the PC meeting of 15/12/14. The Clerk was asked to inform him that they would like to address costs of Public Space and Automatic Number Plate Recognition cameras; the working relationship with other Councils e.g. Lancashire; which other small councils are using them and the experience e.g. effectiveness; siting cameras; who will be responsible for monitoring the cameras, can they be hooked up to a control room?
  - 4.4. **Highways queries –** Issues reported last month had been logged. In future queries from the PC should be directed to the email address reserved for members. This month the Clerk was asked to report that the 30mph sign has disappeared; the Chevrons on the bend below Mytholm Steeps have graffiti.
  - 4.5. **Letter to Mr Greenwood, Head of Colden School –** Mr Greenwood replied that the School supports a safe walking route to school from Blackshaw Head and the idea of a playground. The Clerk was asked to arrange an informal meeting with Cllr. Davies and invite Fiona Gale. In another letter Mr. Greenwood outlined proposals for a new classroom for which the school wanted to purchase D&T equipment and IT facilities. **Cllrs. resolved to donate £200 from the budget under section 137.**
  - 4.6. **White Lines on Badger Lane –** M Thompson, Highways, CMBC has written to say the drawings indicating widths for the white lines had been found and an inspector will visit the site within two weeks and check that they have been painted correctly.
  - 4.7. **Himalayan Balsam –** A reply was received to the query about how to deal with the overgrowth on the steep slopes of the Steeps. Mick Harrop, Safer Cleaner Greener Section CMBC will take a look to see whether using a rolling weed wipe will work in the situation. The Clerk was asked to write back and ask for an update post the inspection by Mick Harrop.
  - 4.8. **Yorkshire Water –** Have been invited to send a representative to the November meeting.
  - 4.9. **Derelict Caravans –** One caravan had been painted. The Clerk was asked to enquire about future progress.
5. **WayaHead meeting 13/10/14 – Report:** Cllr. Davies gave a brief report. The main outcome was that it had been proposed that a petition be started to raise awareness and gather support for the issues on the Steeps and the A646 and the Safe Route to School. Donna Goodman reported the progress she had made working on the Steeps Issues. A facebook page had been set up and had 50 members so far. She was proposing a survey and a leaflet drop and asked whether the parish web space could host a page to which she could upload documents. It was agreed that it would be important to engage with residents of Hebden Royd who are affected by traffic on the Steeps and Church Lane (also the School, Mytholm Meadows, Pennine Housing) and Cllr. Davies agreed to speak with Cllr. Jonathan Timbers. Cllr. Sutcliffe agreed to speak with local residents about the difficulties of Marsh Lane exit. Cllrs. Davies and Hoyle agreed to walk along the route from BSH to Colden Scholl to identify the issues.
6. **Allotments Ctte 29/9/14 –** Cllr. Davies agreed to talk to the neighbour whose fence was in disrepair allowing cats to visit the plots. The Clerk had not had time to purchase the Lease from the Land Registry. Cllrs. agreed that the Clerk could use her debit card. Cllr. Sutcliffe asked that the grass on the land by the road should be cut. The Clerk was asked to contact contractors for an estimate.
7. **Standing Orders -** The Parish Council resolved to amend standing order 68. It shall now read **‘Anyone wishing to record or photograph a meeting should notify the Clerk at least 24 hours prior to the meeting and adhere to the guidance provided by the Council.’** The Clerk will amend the document held on the Parish Council laptop.

## 8. Correspondence: -

8.1. 20mph speed limits – It was agreed to invite someone from the 20mph campaign to speak to the Parish Council, perhaps to a Wayahead meeting in early January if this was not too late for the consultation phase. 20mph signs could be used to address the issues on the Steeps, the speeding in the village and the A646.

8.2. **BEAT Village Cleanup** – This took place on 18/10/14. Cllr. Davies thanked the volunteers for their hard work.

9. **Neighbourhood Plan** – Cllr. Hoyle attended the last meeting. He reported that the age for voting in the referendum had been discussed. He also indicated that BPC should budget an extra £100 a year to be able to contribute to the costs of drawing up the Plan ready for a referendum. It is likely that the anomalous Green Belt boundaries creating village envelopes would be looked at. Cllr. Timbers had asked that the consultation on the NP boundaries be circulated to groups. The Craft Group, Play Group, Neighbourhood Watch Group, BEAT and SHED were suggested. The Clerk would make arrangements.

10. **Fete** – This item was discussed at the last meeting and on the agenda by mistake.

## 11. Planning related matters –

### 11.1. Information on previous applications

11.1.1. **Update from Ann Markwell, Enforcement Team Leader** – Regarding Green Barn Dark Lane – the Enforcement Notice has expired, the Team are working to get a new building which has received planning permission erected so that the unauthorised building can be removed.

11.1.2. 14/00730/HSE | Single storey extension to North East elevation | Green Barn Dark Lane Blackshaw Head Hebden Bridge West Yorkshire HX7 7JR – **Permit. Noted**

11.1.3. 14/00051/FUL | Installation of 1 Tozzi Nord TN535 Wind Turbine with an overall maximum height from base to tip of 21.6m (height to hub 15m) | Land South Of Lower Earnshaw Water Farm The Long Causeway Blackshaw Head Hebden Bridge Calderdale **Refused. Noted**

11.1.4. 14/00809/FUL | The renovation and reinstatement of a derelict dwelling | Copley Holme Cow Side Road Todmorden Calderdale HX7 7LD – **Withdrawn. Noted**

11.1.5. 14/00126/WDF | Construction of 4 No. Wind Turbines of maximum height to blade tip of between 110m and 125m, and associated infrastructure including turbine foundations, transformers, crane hardstanding areas and new onsite access tracks, a new switchgear/control building, underground cabling and a permanent meteorological mast (Re-submission of application 12/01355/WDF) | Land South West Of Gorpley Reservoir Bacup Road Todmorden Calderdale – **Refused. Noted**

11.1.6. 14/00887/HSE | Extensions to existing dwelling to include replacement side extension, porch and two storey rear extension. | Bracewell Hall Barn Bow Lane Blackshaw Head Hebden Bridge Calderdale HX7 7JP – **Withdrawn. Noted**

11.2. **To consider new planning applications** (these can be viewed via Calderdale Council website using the reference number shown): **None.**

## 12. Highways Bridleways and Footpaths –

12.1. **CROWS** – Thanked Councillors for making a contribution to the work and had sent photos electronically. They had also sent a new form for reporting footpath problems.

12.2. **Bridleway collapse at Jumble Hole Mill** – Cllr. Davies reported that the contract for taking down the chimney had been let and the bids were due for the contract for reinstating the Bridleway.

13. **Financial Matters:** .Cllr. Hoyle asked that the Clerk follow up the query about budgeting for the elections in 2015

13.1. The budget left for 2014/15 was £3967.08p, the balance of accounts was £9,204.29p which reconciled to the cash book and it was agreed to transfer £435 from the reserve to the current account.

13.2. The Council noted that the Charlestown Allotments bill had been paid to Yorkshire Water £22.46p since the last meeting.

13.3. It was agreed to pay St James Parish Church for room hire for WayaHead mtg. 13/10/14, £40.

13.4. It was agreed to pay Blackshaw Head Methodist Church for room hire for Clerk interviews, £45.

13.5. It was agreed to reimburse the Clerk for the advert for a new Clerk on HebWeb, £15.

13.6. It was agreed to pay Johnstone Press for the advert for new Clerk in the Hebden Bridge Times and Todmorden News, £145.34.

13.7. The Clerk would present mileage figures to the next meeting.

**13.8.** It was agreed to pay the Clerk's salary.(The Clerk explained that she had written last month's cheque incorrectly and it was agreed to pay the £6 owing to her).

**14. Representative reports and invitations**

**6 October Neighbourhood planning mtg.** – Cllr. Hoyle attended. See item 9 above for report.

**11 October Annual conference of Town and Parish Councils** - Cllr. Hoyle reported that the issues raised included the legacy of Le Tour, the police have a strategy to educate the public, PC Stocks will bring SID to Blackshaw Head village to investigate speeding.

**13 October Heptonstall Exhibitions and Richard Naylor Charities** – Cllr. Beechill attended. She reported that 4 young people from Blackshaw Parish had been awarded exhibitions of £140 and that BPC had not made a contribution this year. It was agreed to continue the practice of previous years and make a contribution under section 137 of £100, the Clerk would prepare a cheque. The Clerk was also asked that an item about the charities be included in the next Parish Newsletter.

**30 October Flood group stall in Hebden Bridge** – Cllr. Hoyle to attend.

**3 November Community Project Board** Cllr. Davies to attend.

**8 November 10am Royal British Legion Coffee morning, St Michael's Mytholmroyd** Cllrs. Beechill and Sutcliffe to attend.

**9 November Remembrance Sunday, wreath laying at the memorial at Blackshaw Methodist Church** – Cllr. Davies to attend with Chairman's chain.

**17 November Neighbourhood Planning mtg** Cllr. Davies to attend.

**19 November YLCA South Pennine Branch mtg**, Cllrs Sutcliffe, King and Hoyle to attend.

**22 November Civic Service Hebden Bridge** Cllr. Davies to attend.

**30<sup>th</sup> November Candle lit service Todmorden.**

**10 December Flood Recovery Board meeting** Cllr Davies to attend.

**Neighbourhood Planning meetings: Monday 12th January 2015, Monday 16th February 2015, Monday 30th March 2015**

**Dates of future meetings:-**

**Parish Council Meetings:** - 24 November, 15 December, 26 January 2015, 23 February, 23 March, 27 April at Blackshaw Head Methodist Church.

**WayAhead meetings** – 16 February 2015, Council Chamber, Hebden Bridge Town Hall .

**Allotment Committee** – 16 March 2015, Council Chamber Hebden Bridge Town Hall.

**Annual Parish Meeting and Annual Parish Council Meeting** – Tbc May 2015 at Hebden Bridge Town Hall.