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# BLACKSHAW PARISH COUNCIL

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## Draft Minutes of Blackshaw Parish Council meeting Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2017 at Blackshaw Head Methodist Church,

Present: Councillors Butterworth (in the Chair), Bowen, King, Goodman Davies, Sutcliffe and Neill and two members of the public

1. Apologies for absences previously notified to the Clerk. None
2. Declarations of interest in items on the agenda. Cllr Sutcliffe declared an interest in item 12.2 and Cllr Bowen in 12.3
3. Agreed the minutes of Parish Council meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> February 2017
4. Report on matters arising from the meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> February for information only. Issue of overhanging fence at Woodman has been chased and they said it would go into the rapid response team.
5. Update on Neighbourhood Plan and Calderdale Local Plan including village envelopes and the upcoming meeting with Richard Seaman. CLP is making very slow progress, and N Plan having to wait on this. Some aspects of local plan up for consultation. Cllrs Davies and Butterworth will meet with Richard Seaman on Wednesday. DS questioned whether residents in the bottoms have been kept informed. MD updated that Oakville Rd area residents been quite active in the CLP consultation and Paul Knights came to last meeting. Nursery site there has been filtered out. Smaller developments won't be in local plan, and will be considered 'windfall sites'. Traffic survey indicates that upper valley is at capacity, so very little development planned for this end. Qs for Richard Seaman – 1) history of village envelopes – anomalies/consultation etc 2) How does it gel with NPPF 3) what is purpose of the envelopes 4) how do we change this should we want to? 5) what is difference will it make for villages if they are in or out of the greenbelt vis-a-vis developments.
6. Upcoming visit by Granville Davies of Yorkshire Water – meeting at Chapel at 9am tomorrow to go and look at the possible water retention sites in the parish. Including Kebs, Redmires, Staups and Copley Holme dams, then down Marsh Lane to waterways there. Also down to football pitch at bottom of Ragley, Jumble Hole old lodges etc.
7. Discussed PC involvement in the proposed Neighbourhood Day on 17<sup>th</sup> June. PC can provide transport at the least. However can't discuss this any further as we need the information from the meeting taking place simultaneously. DS pointed out various issues involving more infirm or elderly parishioners which will need to be resolved for an event.
8. Noted the information received on the Calder Relay which passes through the parish. Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May, registration, toilets and refreshments at the Underwood's on Old Shaw Lane.
9. Cllrs King and Davies reported on the Allotment Committee Meeting. Decisions needing to be taken: to consider whether to continue to use the same contractor (agreed), and to up the cuts of the land belonging to the Parish Council to three times a year instead of two (agreed). Two new people have signed contracts. One person on the waiting list. Confusion regarding whether one of new people is in parish or not. Had agreed to write to the plot-holder who wasn't cultivating sufficiently. Allotment inspection in June.
10. **To consider planning related matters: -**
  - 10.1. To receive information on previous planning applications and enforcement notices:
    - 10.1.1. 16/01194/HSE | Amended scheme to 15/00864/HSE (Retrospective) | Warcock Hill Cottage The Long Causeway Blackshaw Head Hebden Bridge Calderdale HX7 7JB - **Permitted**
    - 10.1.2. 17/20003/TPO | Full or partial dismantling of five trees. (Tree Preservation Order) | Lower Field Head Farm New Road Blackshaw Head Hebden Bridge HX7 7HR - **Permitted**
  - 10.2. Update from Enforcement Team – None – Agreed Clerk to write to enforcement team about the caravan on new road at Jack Bridge.
  - 10.3. To consider new planning applications: - NONE
11. **To consider matters relating to highways, bridleways and footpaths**
  - 11.1. Abuse of footpaths in the parish by cycles and trail bikes. This is an issue that has arisen on the googlegroups. Motorcyclists have been ignoring pleas to desist using the bridleways. Issue in Erringden parish has been passed on to PC there. Photo of registration plate would be useful. Agreed

to write to Jan Gibson to clarify what is allowed to use the various paths and raise this as an issue, and request better signage. Could put a section in next newsletter on lawful use of paths. Possibly also look at asking people if they could provide a track suitable for cycling.

11.2. Salt bin at Stoney Lane. The PC supplied it originally, but agreed to leave the situation as it stands.

11.3. Sheep on road – what is procedure for taking people to task about continually loose sheep. Agreed to write to CMBC to start a conversation about this, then could put a plea on googlegroups to find out more information about specific instances and include info provided by CMBC.

**12. To consider the following financial matters:**

12.1. The budget remaining for 16/17 is £2264, bank balances are £8032 and this reconciles with the cashbook.

12.2. Confirmed payment of the grant of £200 to Blackshaw Arts & Crafts Group under S137

12.3. Confirmed payment of the grant of £100 to Blackshaw Gaming Club under S137

12.4. Confirmed payment of the donation to Yorkshire Air Ambulance from the Chairman's Charity – raised at a collection at the Chapel.

12.5. Confirmed payment of the Clerk's monthly salary and expenses but agreed to pay Clerk for the stamps for newsletter in the next month to be included in 17/18 budget.

**13. To consider representative reports and invitations:**

**13.1. Reports from previous events**

Blackshawhead Village Fete meeting 20/3/17. Progressing apace. Need volunteer for raffle and field steward.

South Pennine Branch of the YLCA 8/3/17 – RB attended. Interesting to hear other councils and how they deal with their authorities.

**13.2. Upcoming Events and invitations**

T & PC Liaison Group - 9<sup>th</sup> May, Ripponden

YLCA meeting 14<sup>th</sup> June 7 for 7.30pm, Blackshawhead Chapel. Agreed to host. Usually about 15-20 people. DS to book Chapel and sort out the refreshments.

14. Items for future meeting - to buy some chippings for allotments, broadband.

**Parish Council Meetings:** - March 27<sup>th</sup>, April 24<sup>th</sup>, Annual Parish Meeting and Annual PC meeting 22 May. Agreed to move June's meeting to Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> to accommodate Clerk's commitments.

**Signed Catherine Bann - Clerk to the Parish Council**