
BLACKSHAW PARISH COUNCIL

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Draft Minutes of Blackshaw Parish Council meeting on Monday 25th February 2019 at Blackshaw Head Methodist Church

Present: Cllr Bowen (Chair), Cllrs Moss, Lacey, Goodman, King, Sutcliffe and Butterworth and four 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 14.4
3. Confirmed the minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 28th January 2019 with amended item 4 to read "£30 per sign".
4. Information on matters arising from the meetings on 28th January. Cllr Goodman's notes on signage were passed to Mary Farrar – no response as yet.
5. Neighbourhood Plan – Clerk to send a link to final version, and Councillors to read and highlight sections they feel ought to be highlighted to residents. Plan for our consultation is to send document with newsletter which includes all our parish specific policies, highlights of other sections, and details of how to give feedback on overall Neighbourhood Plan. Noted that no date for consultation yet, but newsletter must be sent in mid March as the election deadline for nominations is 3rd April.
6. Parish Newsletter – Agreed to include items on grants awarded, highways and bridleways/dogs and livestock, CROWS work, Hebble Hole bridge, Great Get-Together, Community Award, xmas parcels, Richard Naylor charities, allotments, new play equipment, supporting vulnerable people group. Gardening group could also be included.
7. Community Award for 2019 – agreed a maximum budget of £25.
8. Details for the local elections in May – Councillor King has sent round scans of letter from CMBC with details of how to stand for the Council. All need to encourage others to stand.
9. Update on broadband provision and current situation. Not one of the possible 50 alternative suppliers were interested in supplying broadband to the village. However BT then said that everyone supplied from Jack Bridge cabinet would get fibre to the property. There is no date on this. Those supplied from cabinet at the Coop are different. Roger became a champion for the area and supplied 80 names wanting fibre connected but they replied that it would cost £3600 each! So now the mobile dongle is the best option in that area. Member of public noted that problems with his internet solved by replacing an old bit of wire at the pole, so maybe that for others it is old physical infrastructure that needs investigation.
10. Parish council input into the Community Get-together – discussed various options. Agreed to propose the two options to the vulnerable people committee and others and see which gains favour: 1) have afternoon tea at Chapel on Sunday 23rd at 4pm, or 2) arrange for older/vulnerable people to attend school for duck race. Member of the public raised the question about insurance as the Parish Council supported the community picnic last time. Agreed that it was probably possible under our insurance rules provided that the event was under the auspices of the Council. However this was a different event and more information needed. This to be postponed to the next meeting.
11. Discussed the lack of banking facilities in the area and any steps that could be taken by councils. Apparently Nationwide are open to opening community facilities. This will be raised at the Ward Forum to see if there was any appetite among other councils to move forward with this idea. Councillor Butterworth to attend Ward Forum and raise this.
12. **To consider planning related matters: -**
 - 12.1. To receive information on previous planning applications:
 - 12.1.1. 18/01318/FUL | Permanent Equestrian Workers' Dwelling | Blackshaw Royd Farm Marsh Lane Blackshaw Head HX7 7JU **Permitted** – Clerk reported that YLCA advised that a PC cannot take another Council to the ombudsman, only an individual. Member of public asked for clarity about whether this could be a group of people or a councillor, but Clerk was not sure. YLCA advised contacting their planning advisor regarding the issue, and Clerk has done so and is awaiting a response. Cllr Butterworth pointed out that nub of issue is Land Around Todmorden being treated differently than Green Belt. Agreed to write a letter regarding the distinction to CMBC.
 - 12.2. Update on Enforcement and other planning issues.

12.2.1. Update from Roy Rizvi. None but there has been an enforcement notice posted at the land by Whiteley Arches

12.2.2. Trees cut on Long Causeway – update – it seems clear from investigations of the map of TPOs, that the builders have cut trees that they shouldn't have, unless they've been given permission that we are unaware of. Councillor Bowen to send details to Clerk who will report this as a planning breach. Cllr Butterworth wanted to know why the change in approach? Originally planning refused due to trees, and now permission possibly given to remove them.

12.3. To consider new planning applications:

12.3.1. 19/00006/FUL | Reconstruction and extension of existing outbuilding and conversion into self-contained living accommodation | Lower Moss Hall Farm The Long Causeway Blackshaw Head Hebden Bridge Calderdale HX7 7JB Agreed with 6 in favour and one abstention

12.3.2. 19/00007/LBC | Reconstruction and extension of existing outbuilding and conversion into self-contained living accommodation (Listed Building Consent) | Lower Moss Hall Farm The Long Causeway Blackshaw Head Hebden Bridge Calderdale HX7 7JB Agreed no objection but to raise the issue of the well in close proximity and say that this water source must be protected.

13. To consider matters relating to highways, bridleways and footpaths

13.1. The celebration for the completion of Hebble Hole Bridge – Cllr Bowen has requested the presence of the Junior Band but no confirmation. Hill Millies Morris are happy to come providing we can give donation to their dancing fund. Agreed to book Hill Millies at a budget of £65. If the band will come for around the same amount then we book the band as well. Date confirmed with Heptonstall – Palm Sunday, 14th April 1pm start.

13.2. Update on the situation at the junction of Davey Lane and Long Causeway – the mirror is up, agreed to send letter of thanks to the contractors. Clerk to write and Cllr Butterworth to deliver.

13.3. Update on the repair of steps opposite Four Winds – agreed CROWS have done an excellent job, Clerk to thank.

14. To consider the following financial matters:

14.1. The budget remaining for 2018/9 is £3664 and bank balances stand at £8365

14.2. Agreed an application for a grant of £150 for the Community Get Together under S 137

14.3. Confirmed payment of the grant to CROWS for £100 under S 137

14.4. Confirmed payment of our room rental to Blackshaw Methodists Cllr Sutcliffe did not vote as she has an interest in this item.

14.5. Considered paying the Clerk for additional work undertaken earlier in the year for the GDPR. Agreed Clerk to invoice with hours detailed.

14.6. Clerk's monthly salary did not need to be paid this month as the missing cheque issue from previous meeting was resolved via a direct bank transfer between the natwest and coop.

15. To consider representative reports and invitations

15.1. Previous Events

Town & Parish Council Liaison - 5 February 2019 - 6.30pm at Hebden Bridge Town Hall. Land Around Todmorden was mentioned again.

Community Get Together Meeting – covered earlier

Older People's Welfare Committee AGM – Cllr Sutcliffe attended. Fairly active with plenty of younger members at the moment.

15.2. Upcoming Events

Ward Forum Tuesday 5th March, Hope Baptist Church 6.15 for 6.45

South Pennine Branch YLCA - Wednesday, 13 March 7.30pm now at Baildon.

Items for next meeting Grant for Colden School, YLCA White Rose update mentioned funding to tackle loneliness among older people – Clerk to forward. Community get together insurance.

Parish Council Meetings: - 25th March, 15 April,

Annual Meeting: 13th May

Allotment Committee Meeting - 13 March 2019

Signed Catherine Bann Clerk to the Parish Council