NEWTON-IN-BOWLAND PARISH COUNCIL

MEETING 30TH NOVEMBER 2017

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NEWTON-IN-BOWLAND PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on 30th November 2017 at 7.30pm in Newton Village Hall

PRESENT:- Cllr B Dixon (Chairman), Cllr M Beattie, Cllr J Bennett Cllr R Elms (RVBC)
Mrs S Pnder (Clerk)
Also Present Mrs D Parker (Resident)

APOLOGIES:- Cllr R Whitaker and Cllr R Thornber

808. MINUTES

Minutes of the previous meeting were circulated, read and approved.

MATTERS ARISING

705. RURAL BROADBAND

Following the visit to Melling and the joint pc meeting it was decided to hold a public meeting to see if there is enough interest to push the scheme forward. This has been arranged for Wednesday 21st February 2018 at 7.30pm in Newton Village Hall. David Ryall from B4RN will attend and he will forward flyers to us to be circulated to every property, within Newton, Slaidburn and Dunsop Bridge. Clerk to contact both parish clerks to see if their parish councils would be prepared to contribute towards the hire of the hall. Cllr Elms agreed to distribute the flyers to residents within Slaidburn parish.

792. VILLAGE CLEAN UP

Councillors decided to place the village clean up on the agenda for the next parish council meeting

804g SPID

The SpiD from Waddington has been allocated to Clitheroe Town Council. Clerk to look into prices

806a TREE IN TULIP TRIANGLE

Clerk has contacted Mike Fisher on 3 occasions to ask him to look at the tree. He has not replied. David Hewitt at RVBc to be asked if he can take a look.

806b CHRISTMAS TREE

Cllr Elms advised that Slaidburn have received a tree from UU. Clerk to contact Liz Scott to see who provided it. Cllr Thornber has contacted Harry Backhouse re a tree and if we are unable to source one form UU it was decided to buy one from him paying up to a maximum of £110.

809. FINANCE

Community A/c £530.00

Business Premium A/c £4710.27

LENGTHSMAN

Community A/c £905.57

Business Saver A/c £1200.22 (£140 our share)

810. ACCOUNTS

EXPENDITURE

Newton Village Hall £15.00 – joint pc meeting payment made £15.00 - tonights meeting – payment made

Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal £17.00 – payment made
Steven Speak 2 payments totalling £687 – payment made
SJ Pinder £100.00 salary – payment made
The Villager £30 donation – payment made

INCOME

No income

811. PRECEPT

£2500 to be claimed

812. PLANNING

SMELTHWAITES FARM 3/2017/1044 and 3/2017/1045

Retention of unauthorised alterations including rebuilding of the east storage/hay loft extension to provide heated storage and an upper floor bedroom, internal remodelling of the cart shed to form entrance hall and circulation space in the farmhouse linking the living spaces to the rebuilt west extension at both levels; rebuilding rear scullery to form main kitchen and replacement of garage and privy with larger single garage. Any comments

Adrian Dowd at RVBC has confirmed that an enforcement officer has visited the property after complaints were received about works to the listed building. No previous planning consent had been sought. They are still awaiting evidence that some of the works were necessary due to the bad state of the walls but this has not been forthcoming

Councillors asked that RVBC be advised that the Parish Council were unhappy that works had begun without consent being obtained and felt that the property should be put back to its original state and planning be sought In the correct manner

813. LENGTHSMAN

As there is only a small amount of money left for this scheme the Lengthsman be asked to clean the gulleys around the parish until he has used up all monies available.

814. PARISH COUNCIL LIAISON MEETING

Cllr Dixon to attend the next meeting on Thursday 25th January 2018

815. WAR MEMORIAL

Mrs Parker was invited to speak about her wish to see a war memorial in the village. She expressed a wish that there should be a visible memorial within the village, along with a site for wreaths to be laid, at the moment there is a plaque situated within the village hall. Councillors agreed and the clerk was asked to contact Mel Diack at RVBC to seek guidance. Clerk also to look into any possible grants. It was suggested that if this was to go ahead a possible site would be on the green opposite the Old School. Mrs Parker has spoken to Tosside Parish Council who advised that care should be taken when choosing a stone ensuring that it is of good quality, possible contacts for this would be Fairhursts at Settle and Thos Rock in Clitheroe.

816. HIGHWAYS

a. Cllr Elms suggested that a letter should be sent from each clerk in the joint Parish Council to LCC regarding the excess water on the roads. Clerk to liaise

b. WATER AT ABOVE HYDES FARM

Cllr Dixon again expressed concern at the water coming up in the middle of the Slaidburn Road, above Hydes Farm. This has already been reported to LCC – clerk to contact again.

c. IRON GRATES AT BOWLAND HOUSE

Cllr Beattie expressed concern at the broken tarmac around 2 grates, stating it would be dangerous for cyclists. Clerk to advise LCC

d. NEWTON BRIDGE

A car has hit Newton Bridge and the wall has moved away from the tarmac leaving a gap a few inches wide. Clerk has already reported this but asked to do so again.

e. SLOW SIGNS

Cllr Dixon asked that the clerk contact Cllr Smith regarding his previous request to have SLOW painted on Slaidburn Road near the turning onto the car park.

f. VERGE CUTTINGS ABOVE THE POLICE HOUSE

There are some grass cuttings left on the roadside on Slaidburn Road above the Police House. Clerk to contact Geoff Morries regarding this as it was felt they would smother any wild flowers below.

817. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

a BENCHES

Cllr Beattie advised that one of the benches near the notice board was not in a good condition. Clerk to get some prices re new benches.

b NOTICE BOARD

The notice board is in need of repair. At times the current board is not big enough and it was decided that the clerk should look at prices for a new board similar to the one outside the village hall, this would then be placed in the bus shelter.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date for the next meeting will be Wednesday 14th February at 7.30pm in Newton-in-Bowland Village Hall.

Meeting closed 8.45pm