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## MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4<sup>TH</sup>, 2022, IN CLIVIGER VILLAGE HALL

Present: I Emo, M Heys, G Smith, C. Briggs, C. Towneley, K Whittle, Borough Coun. S. Cunliffe and one member of the public.

1. Code of conduct (Declaration of Interest). None

2. Apologies for absence

None.

3. Police report

Please see attached. Coun. Briggs raised problems of electric scooters being driven on the estates off Park Road without lights, double parking and neighbourly disputes, both in Thanet Lee. Also, parking on the bends of Burnley Road. The clerk to ask PSCO Hill to investigate.

4. Questions from residents

Mr Jack Launer of Barcroft enquired about activities and organisations available in the village. He highlighted problems with the 589 and 592 bus services which have been causing problems for commuters. The clerk to speak to First Buses.

He also asked if the Ninos sign at the top of Burnley Road could be removed. Coun. Towneley to organise.

5 Minutes of the last meeting and matters arising

These were accepted

(a) School Lane signs

BBC has agreed to replace the missing signs when the next batch of orders goes in.

(b) New sign at Mereclough Memorial Garden

Coun Towneley to sort out the return of the benches from the borough council parks department . She will also price up a directional sign.

(c) Mount Lane playing fields lease

Coun. Towneley has met with LCC legal team and the matter is moving on. Because it is under a Section 77 agreement, it will have to go to the Secretary for State for a final decision. The repairs to the fencing are currently the responsibility of the school and Coun. Towneley said because of the poor drainage on the field, it would not be suitable for professional use. BBC is carrying out an audit of playing fields and the clerk to direct them to the school for up to date information.

(d) Park Road pavilion

Electricity North West has repaired the faulty cable. A new roof and hatch have been installed. Coun Whittle said the contractor had raised concerns that the electricity box is in an unsuitable place. Coun. Towneley to contact Eon to arrange for it to be moved elsewhere. Coun. Emo said some plastering work is needed and the toilet is to be

repaired.

(e) Fencing near the garage

The fencing needs looking at by the banking. Coun. Towneley to contact LCC.

(f) Milestones

The work has been delayed due to an injury sustained by the artist. He is currently working on the renovation of the maiden cross under the direction of Burnley Civic Trust. Work on the milestones will start in early March. An application for match funding for the jubilee milestone will be submitted by the artist later this month. Coun. Emo has obtained a quote for pointing work on the boundary stones and is to seek one other.

(g) Utility work on Burnley Road

The work is ongoing and there are concerns now about the slowness of the traffic light displays at the corner of Red Lees Road and Burnley Road. Coun Emo has spoken to the traffic regulators and said many of the problems were down to people jumping the lights and knocking the system out. Coun. Whittle said there was a trip hazard on Burnley Road following early works. Coun. Towneley to report.

## 6 Allotments

Coun Emo had visited and said the allotments are looking well cared for and a section of fencing has been repaired. Mr Jack Launer asked to be put on the waiting list, along with Mr Simon Gerrety.

### 6 (a) Councillors' reports

Couns Emo , Smith and Whittle had met with the community gardeners and discussed plans, the parish council is now awaiting costs. Coun. Emo had obtained quotes for work which is needed at the memorial garden on the path, wall and shelter. Monies are to be used from the excess Scottish Power Fund and a decision on the quote will be made once final amount available is agreed.

Coun Smith reported a broken 30 mph sign opposite JJ Diner on Burnley Road. Coun Emo to look at. She commented on the state of the New Road and Todmorden Road, both of which are regularly full of mud, due to work being done at a site off the New Road. Coun. Towneley to ask for a full road clean.

Coun. Heys asked for the 30 mph speed limit to be extended from the new Miller Homes development up to Salterforth Lane and also for road safety measures outside the village school. Coun. Towneley to take up with LCC.

Coun. Whittle asked for the steps up to Burnley Road from the estate to be look at for overgrown vegetation. Coun. Towneley to take up with LCC and also to chase the Public Rights Team on progress repairing a kissing gate behind Southward Bottom, reported many months ago.

Coun. Whittle said LCC is to carry out repairs to Park Road with the junction of Mount Lane.

Coun. Emo said two living Christmas trees have been planted at Overtown and Mereclough Memorial Garden.

Coun. Towneley discussed ideas for the jubilee. She is to apply for funding from BBC for a event at Mount Lane playing fields. Also seeking ideas for commemorative souvenirs to give to the village children. Coun. Heys said once ideas are in, a budget must be agreed.

### 6 (b) Borough reports

Coun. Cunliffe gave an update on borough issues include the devolution debate and jubilee tree planting. Also the climate change strategy is to be debated. He said LCC are to replace a defunct lamppost near 235 Burnley Road on February 21<sup>st</sup>.

### 6 (c) County reports

Coun. Towneley gave an update on proposed devolution plans and council tax increases.

### 6 (d) Village hall

Coun. Towneley had met with a renewable energy expert to discuss solar panels for the hall. The management committee are to apply for funding to finance the project and explore the possibility of extra storage space in the roof area. Coun. Towneley had discussed the car park problems with the management committee.

## 7 Finance

In - £200 – Ringstones donation for use of land at Mount Lane for storage.  
£9.47 – Electricity North West Way Leave

£365 x 2 – Rebecca Hay, salary and expenses for January and February  
£38.58 x 2 – Clerk's pension for January and February.  
£60.26 – Eon for Gerry Dawson and RACA park pavilions for January and February.  
£298 – Burnley Borough Council for living Christmas trees.  
£21.28 – HMRC  
£35 – J. Barritt - PAYE.  
£18.15 – British Gas for Gerry Dawson pavilion.  
£3,833 – Ferguson Roofing for RACA park pavilion roof.

The precept was agreed to remain at £10,000.

### 8 Correspondence

Scottish Power had been in discussion regarding the benefit fund and are keen to ensure more community input and publicity. They were happy that the parish council is to put surplus funds towards projects including milestone/heritage renovation, community garden, Christmas and recreational projects. The administration of the fund is to be assessed.

### 9 Planning

HOU/2021/0710 PROPOSAL: Proposed 2 storey and single storey extensions to existing dwelling AT: 230 Red Lees Road, Cliviger – no objections.

HOU/2021/0761 PROPOSAL: Single storey side & rear extension AT: 17 Red Lees Avenue, Cliviger - no objections.

TPO/2021/0777 PROPOSAL: Pruning of 9 Sycamore trees covered by the Burnley (Thanet Lee Wood, Cliviger) Tree Preservation Order 1981 AT: 45 Thanet Lee Close, Cliviger – no objections.

### 10 Date of next meeting

March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022, 7 p.m, Cliviger Village Hall.

