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MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY, MARCH 4TH, 2022, IN CLIVIGER VILLAGE HALL

Present: I Emo, M Heys, G Smith, C. Briggs, K Whittle, Borough Coun. S. Cunliffe, PSCO M Hill and two members of the public.

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

2. Apologies for absence

Coun. Towneley.

3. Police report

Please see attached. Residents raised concerns over speeding and poor parking through the village, particularly near to the school. PSCO Hill said he has targeted areas and appealed for people to be more considerate, but he will step up efforts. It was agreed to write to LCC to ask for traffic calming measures near the school. Coun. Briggs said double parking around Thanet Lee Close continues and is a danger to children playing in the area as it blocks views and also due to speeding. An abandoned car and stolen hub caps were reported and PSCO Hill said he would monitor jumping of the lights at the Bacup Road/ Todmorden Road junction. Details of a new community roadwatch scheme where villagers will be encouraged to help "police" speeding are available from the clerk for interested people. Coun Cunliffe raised fly tipping problems and the action needed to prevent.

4. Questions from residents

Dealt with as above.

5. Minutes of the last meeting and matters arising

These were accepted

(a) Bus service problems

First Buses said there has been a big change in personnel and drivers have now been spoken to and asked to adhere to the routes. Residents can get up to date journey details, all cancellations go through the relevant systems to appear on the real-time at bus stops and on the Metro website <https://www.wymetro.com/> Simply go on the home page, scroll down to 'Buses' and enter the route number, direction and then stop – in this case the nearest is Portsmouth. The introduction of real time systems is the responsibility of LCC.

(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

Following concern from local residents, it was agreed to send a letter to the school, which is responsible for the fencing upkeep, to ask for it to be repaired. An update on the lease will be provided by Coun. Towneley.

(d) Park Road pavilion

Coun Emo is to organise plastering and fascia work. Coun. Towneley liaising with EON over the moving of the electricity box.

(e) Fencing near the garage

The fencing is now falling down. LCC say it is the landowner's responsibility. Coun. Smith said it may in fact belong to LCC. The clerk to contact Worsthorne Estates to establish ownership and repairs.

(f) Milestones

The artist has organised two workshops in April and May to work on the school jubilee milestone project and work on the established milestones will start shortly.

(g) Scottish Power

See the attached spending plans for the surplus money. This was agreed by the council and once confirmed by Scottish Power, the projects will start. Councillors have been invited to attend an Woven Through Time exhibition on Wednesday at the village school to showcase the Scottish Power funded project.

(h) LCC outstanding items

At the February meeting, Coun Towneley agreed to approach LCC re the following. Updates to follow next meeting.

Mud on Bacup and Todmorden Roads, which appears to be coming from an address on the New Road. Clear up of road and investigation of cause.

Extension of 30 mph zone at the new Miller Homes development to Salterforth Lane.

Overgrown vegetation to be removed from steps coming up from the housing estate up to Burnley Road.

Update on work to repair a kissing gate behind Southward Bottom.

Trip hazard on Burnley Road following utility works.

Removal of Nino signs from the Bacup Road/Todmorden Road junction.

6 Allotments

Coun Whittle to visit the allotments before the next meeting.

6 (a) Councillors' reports

Coun Heys asked for an update from Miller Homes re the planting of bulbs on the verge which was narrowed to make way for the new junction. Coun Emo asked if the installation of the verge could also be looked at. The clerk to write.

Coun Emo asked for confirmation re the extra grass cutting by BBC from Salterforth Lane to the bottom of Red Lees Road and this was agreed.

Coun. Whittle gave an update on the jubilee celebrations. Coun. Towneley seeking funding from BBC's jubilee fund.

6 (b) Borough reports

Coun Emo gave an update on the increase in council tax.

6 (c) County reports

None.

6 (d) Village hall

The management committee is preparing the application for funding for the renewable energy project. The council confirmed it will be the third party contributor.

7 Finance

In - £1,717.41 – Water plus refunding of over payment.

£6,110 – BBC for wildflower project.

£385 – Rebecca Hay, salary and expenses .

£38.58 – Clerk's pension.

£560 – annual website renewal and content.
£27.37 – Eon for Gerry Dawson and RACA park pavilions

8 Correspondence

Dealt with in the meeting.

9 Planning

An appeal has been made following BBC's refusal of planning permission for land off Barcroft Green, Walk Mill, stage one permission in principle.

10 Date of next meeting

April 1st, 2022, 7 p.m, Cliviger Village Hall.

