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## MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 5TH, 2022, IN CLIVIGER VILLAGE HALL

Present: Counc I. Emo, M Heys V. Bennett, K Whittle, H. Cameron, C. Towneley and Borough Coun. S. Cunliffe and five members of the public.

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

2. Apologies for absence

Couns Launer, Briggs and Brownbridge.

3. Police report

Please see attached report.

4. Questions from residents.

Updates requested from the last meeting on:

Request for a bin by the school – Coun Emo to contact BBC.

Replacement railings by the school – Coun. Towneley investigating.

Request for a stop sign at the top of Mount Lane – LCC say stop signs are not allowed under Department of Transport guidance, however an order has been raised to refresh the existing Give Way road markings and centre line on the approach along Mount Lane.

Milestones – the artist is recovering from a shoulder operation and will finish the milestones when back to full fitness.

A request was made for a defibrillator at the Holme Chapel end of the village. It was explained that there is one at the top of Mount Lane, outside the school and outside Mount Zion Church.

5. Minutes of the last meeting and matters arising

These were accepted

(a) Bus service problems

Problems of missed services are continuing, but First Bus say this is down to lack of staff and new drivers getting used to the routes.

(b) New sign at Mereclough Memorial Garden

Coun Emo and Towneley are working with a local contractor re a new bench and also looking into a milestone type directional sign.

(c) Mount Lane playing fields lease

County Coun. Towneley said the lease will have to go to the Secretary of State for approval and then if approved, a full consultation of local people will be held to decide future usage. She said a business plan had been made for the viability of the field/pavilion.

(d) Milestones

The school jubilee milestone design and siting has been agreed and the artist will begin work on it asap. The maiden cross is back in Cliviger and due to be put back in situ in the near future.

(e) LCC outstanding items

Coun. Emo has removed overgrown vegetation from the steps coming up to the housing estate on Burnley Road.

LCC has looked at the the kissing gate problem behind Southward Bottom and the gate is not on the definitive map and the route will now be redrawn.

(f) Holme Chapel memorial community garden

The garden group has now submitted a constitution, licence agreement, costings and plan of action. There is disagreement over the suitability of the site and it was agreed that a further meeting be held between the group and councillors to discuss the site and potential other sites. Also to invite input from BBC Parks who currently maintain the site for the parish council. The work to repair stonework and guttering is still earmarked.

## 6 Allotments

The allotment fee will stay the same this year and renewals will go out this month, the council agreed to not renew one unused allotment, meaning two are now vacant and can be filled as soon as possible. Allotment holders are to be asked to only plant fruit bushes and not trees and any established trees are to be pruned back to 5-6ft. The council is looking into establishing a permanent water supply, Coun. Towneley to discuss with United Utilities. Coun. Cameron asked if more allotments could be provided in the village and an area of land owned by the parish council at Richmond Avenue was suggested and will be looked into.

### 6 (a) Councillors' reports

Coun Cameron asked whether the community could form an action group to try and prevent speeding in the village. She was advised to contact the Lancashire Speed Management team who have an ongoing voluntary project to make people more aware. Visual signs have also been put up in the village.

Coun Cameron asked if an event could be held to mark the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of RACA park and whether new equipment could be purchased. It was agreed that a Christmas event would be an option. Also it was agreed to discuss with BBC Parks re the park equipment as it comes under their care and if a suitable project could be agreed on, the parish council could look at providing some funding towards it. Coun. Emo said the pavilion is being opened and cleaned by a local resident. It was suggested a honorarium be given and Coun. Towneley said she would seek legal advice first.

Coun. Heys reported dead trees at Salterforth Lane and on Red Lees Road.

### 6 (b) Borough reports

Coun. Cunliffe gave details of the new solar farm at the wind farm which was passed by BBC and said it was a good opportunity for the village to get benefit funding. The parish council had asked for this to be a condition of planning permission.

### 6 (c) County reports

Coun. Towneley discussed the ongoing repairs to the culvert in Burnley Road and said LCC is working with the appropriate utilities to resolve the problem as quickly as possible. Coun. Cunliffe said residents on the Broad Ing estate had complained of water issues in their gardens.

### 6 (d) Village hall

A successful treasure hunt had been held. The village hall has won funding for solar panels on the roof. The management committee confirmed it does not now require the £3,000 third party contribution, which was allocated from the Scottish Power Fund.

### 6 (e) Scottish Power Benefit Fund

The fund is being administered by the parish council with the applications going to an independent panel for adjudication. The fund is now open until August 20<sup>th</sup> for applications and forms and guidance are available on the parish council website and have been publicized via noticeboards and social media. To maximize the money going back into the community, it was agreed to confirm with Scottish Power that £3,000 of the fund can be used for unconstituted groups to apply for grants up to £250 and also that any surplus money can be sign posted to projects in the village which the community asks for, as currently done in 2021.

## 7 Finance

In - £135– hire of the pavilion for school sporting events.

Payments:

£400– Rebecca Hay, salary and expenses .

£38.58 – Clerk's pension

£67.58 – Waterplus for the Gerry Dawson pavilion.

£48 – Cliviger Village Hall rent.

£53.89 – Eon for Mount Lane and RACA pavilions.

An invoice for £3,997.06 from BBC for the elections to be queried as some items appear to be duplicate of the borough council elections, which are already paid for through council tax.

#### 8 Correspondence

Licencing policy consultation had been circulated.

An application for £300 for a bio diversity grant from LCC had been made.

#### 9 Planning

TPO/022/0417 – application to reduce main leader of tree T1 covered by the Burnley tree preservation order at Hollins Cottage, Red Lees Road – no comments.

HOU/2022/0428 – single storey front extension to existing dwelling at 53 Richmond Avenue – no comments.

Confirmation from LCC that app LCC/2022/0025 – variation of conditions 1, 3, 10, 27 and 29 of planning permission 12/06/0959 to allow landfilling operations to continue to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2029, with final restoration by December 2030 at Deerplay Landfill site, has been agreed..

#### 10 Date of next meeting

September 2nd, Cliviger Village Hall at 7 p.m..

Please note the October meeting will be held on Friday, September 30<sup>th</sup>.

