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MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3RD, 2023, IN CLIVIGER VILLAGE HALL

Present: Couns I. Emo, M Heys K Whittle, R Brownbridge, C. Towneley , C. Briggs, PSCO Hill and one member of the public.

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

2. Apologies for absence

Coun Bennett, Cameron, Launer and borough Coun. S Cunliffe.

3. Police report

Please see attached report. PSCO Hill said there had been a break in at a house in Red Lees Road on Thursday night and two cars stolen. Coun Towneley reported poachers and there were also reports of a man in a white transit van calling at vulnerable people's houses and offering to do tree cutting work.

A letter had been received from Briercliffe Parish Council offering the police landrover for sale to the parish council and also Worsthorne. It had been confirmed by United Utilities that the landrover had been gifted to the community in the care of Briercliffe. United Utilities may be able to offer a decommissioned vehicle at cost price. A break down of figures to follow. Scottish Power has confirmed the money will not be available for the vehicle via the fund. Coun Towneley is to approach the police commissioner re possible funding.

4. Questions from residents.

The community garden at Richmond Avenue was discussed. Coun Towneley has arranged with the parks department to clear the land of vegetation. The field has open field drainage. The memorial garden is to have the shelter roof fixed and the wall renovated using the Scottish Power surplus.

A request for a book shelter for children's books to be placed at the RACA park was received. Coun Towneley is to liaise and possibly use funding from the member's grant to fund one.

5. Minutes of the last meeting and matters arising

These were accepted.

(a) Holme Chapel memorial garden

Mr Roger Baldwin is looking at registering the land. A notice of transfer for 16 Mereclough was received. Coun Emo to organise the stoning up of the gate entrance to the memorial garden.

(b) Milestones

Work on the jubilee milestone along with finishing off boundary stones is to begin, stone has been sourced. The medieval crosses project has been researched by Burnley Civic Society and the clerk is to arrange a meeting with LCC re siting.

(c) Directional sign at Mereclough Memorial Garden

Coun Emo and Towneley are working with a local contractor re a new bench. The milestone artist has sourced a

large stone for the directional piece.

(d) Mount Lane playing fields lease

Coun Towneley to forward the lease once completed, to the parish councillors, to consider.

(e) Candent re instatement of grass verges

BBC to replace the Sunnyfield Avenue sign and Coun Towneley to contact Candent re the grass verge damage.

(f) Bulbs in the village

Coun Emo has planted bulbs around the village including Cliviger spelt out in bulbs on banking between Sunnyfield and The Lees.

6 Allotments

Coun Towneley is awaiting a quote for digging the area up for the water pipe. Complaints that an allotment user is taking a short cut through the properties on Coproyd Terrace. Coun Whittle to follow up.

6 (a) Councillors' reports

Coun Towneley said the sun dial in the memorial garden has been damaged and suggested a wooden stick be used for the indicator instead, this was agreed.

Coun Whittle asked re King's Coronation celebrations. It was agreed to hold a bonfire on May 6th at Mount Lane playing fields and provide pies, with people bringing their own cakes and soft drinks, budget of £500 set.

Coun Heys asked for a grate to be looked at on the corner of Greycliffe Lane and Red Lees Road. Coun Emo reported a bumped sign at Long Causeway. Coun Towneley to action.

Coun Emo said the new planters are to be sited near Honeyholme Lane and Holme Chapel memorial garden.

Coun. Brownbridge reported problems of water on the road near to Windy Bridge.

Coun Briggs raised concerns of no gritting during the cold snap and re filling of grit boxes on the estates off Park Road. She will report any further concerns to the clerk to action.

6 (b) Borough reports

Coun. Towneley gave details of the Love Your Streets app for reporting highway issues, the Go Slow project, school Osted and council tax levies.

6 (c) County reports

As above.

6 (d) Village hall

Awaiting WiFi to enable the solar panels to work.

6 (e) Scottish Power Benefit Fund

Mr Graham Knott had volunteered to be on the funding panel as village representative. A request for extra funding from Mount Zion Church for lighting was rejected. An invitation to watch the Go Green performance at St John's was received, Couns Emo and Whittle to attend.

7 Finance

In £9.47 – Wayleave.

£100 – notice of transfer acknowledgment.

Payments:

Out:

January:

£415– Rebecca Hay, salary and expenses .

£38.58 – Clerk's pension

£1,473 – Basically Cheer and Fitness, fourth payment from Scottish Power
£1,000 – Scottish Power admin.
£120 – LPPA pension admin.
£100 – Royal Mail, postage.
£30.40 – British Gas for Gerry Dawson pavilion.
£52.58 – Eon for Gerry Dawson and Park Road pavilions.
£31.35 – HMRC
£45 – J. Barritt, PAYE.

February:

£415– Rebecca Hay, salary and expenses .
£38.58 – Clerk's pension
£1,473 – Basically Cheer and Fitness, fifth payment from Scottish Power
£24.88 – Eon, Gerry Dawson pavilion.
£72 – Cliviger Village Hall, rent.
£51.58 – Eon for Park Road and Gerry Dawson pavilions

It was agreed to keep the precept at £10,000. An admin grant of £187 was given by BBC.

8 Correspondence

SPID policy passed to Coun. Emo. BBC's code of conduct and audit and standards committee vacancy information circulated.

9 Planning

APPLICATION: CEA/2023/0017 PROPOSAL: Proposed improvement works to building and property. AT: Building At Mount Pleasant, Mount Lane, Cliviger - object on the grounds that this application is not in the Local Plan for development, is in on a tight bend on a very busy highway and there is no room to create a safe access. The site itself is small with no room to expand and its proximity to the highway means there is no leeway to expand. It simply is not suitable for development and any improvements may lead to applications to convert.

APPLICATION: FUL/2022/0710 PROPOSAL: Conversion, changes to roof and extension of existing stable block to provide a detached 4-bedroomed dwelling, including removal of existing link building between the stable block and the adjacent garage. AT: Merrills Head Barn The Long Causeway, Cliviger - no comments.

APPLICATION: TPO/2022/0696 PROPOSAL: Removal of 3 no. sycamore trees covered by the Burnley (Brun Valley, Cliviger) Tree Preservation Order 1974. AT: 202 Red Lees Road, Cliviger – no objections.

10 Date of next meeting

March 3rd, Cliviger Village Hall, 7 p.m..