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MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY, APRIL 5TH, 2024, IN CLIVIGER VILLAGE HALL

Present: Counc I. Emo, V. Bennett, C. Towneley, R. Brownbridge, K Whittle, M Heys, J Launer and H. Cameron. Mr T Crook, LCC Road Safety.

1. Code of conduct (Declaration of Interest).

None.

2. Apologies for absence

Couns C Briggs.

3. Road data on A646

Mr Tony Crook, from LCC road safety gave a comprehensive update on speed survey data v annual sat nav data on 3 sections of the road, the 40 mph section south of Holme Chapel, 30 mph section at Walk Mill and the 30 mph section near the national speed limit gateway. Special devices had been fitted to the sections of the road to collate the information. The main outcome detected had been excessive speed rather than above average speed. Mr Crook would report the findings back to the committee and the outcome would probably be education in schools, more slow down signs and possible inclusion of SPIDS. Average speed cameras and speed bumps are only provided when the accident fatality figures back them up. It was agreed the survey had been a good indicator of the concerns residents and the parish council has. Similar concerns on Red Lees Road and Mr Crook was also asked to feedback the problems of vehicles exiting The Calder without adhering to the Give Way signs onto the new slower traffic restrictions on Red Lees Road.

4 Police report

None.

5. Questions from residents.

None.

6 Minutes of the last meeting and matters arising

These were accepted, with the minor alteration on item 7a, Coun Emo reported the tipping on Long Causeway.

(a) Land off Richmond Avenue

Following the recent work, a quote of £150 had been submitted from a resident re removing and re-installing a new concrete post. Coun Towneley to discuss with the resident.

(b). Mount Lane pavilion

No official update. Coun Emo said the borough council had been asked to cut the grass and he had provided some keys to access the pitch. Also they are to mark out the various sporting pitches.

(c) Miller Homes

BBC planning had sent in a plan which show the measurements taken at the front, mid-point and rear of the new house to the timber fence and measurements from the timber fence to the rear, mid-point and front of no. 113 Red Lees Road. These have also compared these to the measurements that scale from the approved plans. There is a deviation of up to 0.9m.

It was agreed that the issue has now been exhausted by the parish council and is between the developer and the owner of 113 to agree over.

The issue of the metal ramp has been discussed at county and borough level and the developers are to submit an application more fitting to the natural surroundings.

(d) Transfer of land at Mereclough

Still progressing.

(e) Bacup Road litter

LCC had spoken to the landfill operator and they have no issues with windblown litter, but say there are problems with litter discarded from cars and this waste is not typical of what is accepted in the landfill. Also the landfill is tipping at the bottom of the site at the moment which is well sheltered and has temporary little screens along, with more permanent taller litter netting. Litter control is a primary requirement of the environmental permit, regulated by the environment agency and they have been copied into the correspondence to monitor.

(f) Tipping on Long Causeway

LCC is investigating.

(g) Collapsed utility cover on Red Lees Road

LCC will investigate and if it is their responsibility, they will repair.

(h) Blocked gullies on Mount Lane

An order to jet the gullies has been raised and if necessary, further repair work will take place.

7. Allotments

Following correspondence re tree boundary work, water supply to the allotment and the rent increase, it was agreed to hold an allotment meeting for allotment holders or their representatives on Sunday, April 21st at RACA park pavilion at 11 a.m. Members of the allotment committee will be on hand to discuss any concerns.

Legal advice re the future use of an allotment following the death of an allotment user had been sought and passed onto a relative.

7 (a) Councillors' reports

Coun Heys said the road at Overtown is still bumpy and hard to pass. Also reported trees which have been trimmed by residents on Red Lees Road.

Coun Bennett reported a broken bench at Overtown and one in a poor state of repair by The Ram. Coun Emo to discuss with Streetscene at BBC.

Coun Whittle had been contacted by the archives group about moving the boards at Mereclough and this had been agreed. Also the issue of restoring The Ram sign. Coun Emo is liaising with the heritage specialist and Burnley Civic Trust.

Coun Emo had sourced a new flag for the war memorial for approx £60 and would arrange it to be displayed. Re the planters, BBC parks are to be contacted about moving the one at the garage to RACA park where the basketball pitch is and all to be restocked.

7 (b) Borough reports

Coun Launer gave details of the borough council's D Day 80th anniversary celebration plans and said there is to be a beacon at the Singing Ringing Tree and also people are to encouraged to send their memories in.

Borough councillors had taken part in a spring clean up of the town and had been disappointed by the amount of litter collected.

Coun Launer also gave details of a screening of Whistle Down the Wind at Towneley Hall lecture theatre on May 11th

7 (c) County reports

Coun Towneley reported on:

The importance of vaccinations for children following more measles outbreaks.

Plasterboard which had been discarded on Burnley Road, had gone.

Problems with bin collection in the village had been resolved.

Concern over lack of rural input into the new town deal board and questioned why only one member is female.

7 (d) Village hall

Coun Emo gave details of work carried out at the village hall. A talk by Katie Grant on the history of the Towneley family will take place on April 20th, tickets priced at £5.

7 (e) Scottish Power Benefit Fund

Coun Towneley had attended Cliviger School's end of funding show and said it could have been developed further to fulfil the criteria re funding. The next round of funding will open mid April and the panel meeting is set for June.

8 Finance

In: £25 – M Hoyle for land rent at Mereclough.
£46,248.36 – Scottish Power Benefit Fund, annual funding.

Out:

£460– Rebecca Hay, salary and expenses
£73.87 – Clerk's pension
£76.32 – EON for Gerry Dawson and RACA.
£45 – J Barritt, PAYE.
£47.88 – HMRC.
£58.75 – I Emo, petrol for strimmer and keys for Mount Lane.
£691.20 – K cut for Mereclough memorial heritage cross projects

9 Correspondence

Information received re preliminary Inquiry – Land Situate at Spring Gardens, Fireman's Helmet, Dyneley Farm, Cliviger, Burnley, Lancashire, BB11 3QX. NGR: E: 386215, N: 429438. Proposed Works: 1 x 0.6m dish, 24.0m height, 318.6 degrees.

Information received re tree felling at Thanet Lee Close and discussions between a resident and Burnley's tree officer re a designated public open space order.

10 Planning

FUL/2024/0099 PROPOSAL: Change of use and conversion of barn to dwelling (Use Class C3) AT: Barn At Causewayside Farm, The Long Causeway, Cliviger – no comment.

11 Date of next meeting

May 10th, Cliviger Village Hall, 7 p.m, preceded by the AGM at 6 p.m.