

A Parish Council Meeting was held in the Village Hall, Downham Road on Monday, 6 December 2021 at 7.30pm.

Present: Mr. P. Whittaker (Chair), Mr. D. Ascroft, Mr. S. Booth, Mrs. L. England, Mr. R. Porter, Mr. G. Scott and Mrs. S. Turner

The meeting was attended by 4 members of the public

1. Apologies were received from Mrs. M. Birch,
2. There were no declarations of interest.
3. **Public Participation:**
Matters brought to the Council's attention included the discontinuation of LCC gritters on Ribblesdale View and the temporary diversion routes put in place during repairs to the Downham Road bridge.
4. Minutes of the previous Parish Council meeting were approved.
5. **Borough Councillor's Report:**
 - a) The Borough Councillor requested the parish council to contact Network Rail to ascertain the time schedule for repairing the Downham Road Bridge as he has been advised that this is not being considered a top priority.
 - b) The Core Strategy, adopted by RVBC in 2014 setting out the planning policy framework for development in the Ribble Valley, is now undergoing a 5 year review.
 - c) The Christmas Tree installation has not yet been completed due to the weather conditions. Younger residents have indicated that they would be pleased to assist with this in the future.
6. **Clerk's Report:**
There were no additions to the written report.
- 7A. **Playground Update:**
ESP received the new playground equipment earlier than anticipated and has worked extremely hard to complete the installation. The swing frame was unsuitable for a basket seat but there will be two new traditional swings.
- 7B. **CCTV:**
Daniel Sutcliffe, RVBC, has visited Chatburn and given advice on suitable equipment for monitoring places of concern.
It was resolved to obtain quotes for the installation of cameras.
- 7C. **Queen's Jubilee:**
There was no update on arrangements for the celebrations but RVBC will give grants of £500 towards financing events.
- 7D. **Playing Field Lease:**
The lease is due for review.
It was resolved to contact LCC to request a review of the renewal of the annual payment.

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- 7E. **HARP:**
There was no update on the HARP project
- 7F. **Bold Venture entrance to Quarry Site:**
A resident has expressed concern about structures built at the entrance to the nature reserve from Bold Venture. Councillors have already noted this problem and it has been reported to Hansons for attention. PC Cath Towler to be advised of the activity in this area.
8. **Representatives Reports:**
RVBC Parish Councils Liaison Meeting: matters discussed included grants available for luncheon groups and the Jubilee Celebrations. The HARP project was on the agenda but there has been no progress towards a planning decision.
9. **Planning Applications & Decisions:**
Applications:
3/2021/1153 - Proposed dwelling with basement accommodation on an in-fill site adjacent to No. 9 Old Road. It was resolved to respond to this application.
Decisions:
There are no planning decisions.
10. **Playing Field & Playground:**
a) The weekly inspection found no faults with the equipment
b) The final piece of adult equipment is awaiting delivery.
11. **Finance & Accounts:**
Payment paid prior to the meeting:
Royal British Legion – wreath - £25.00
Payments:
SLCC – annual subscription - £98.00
K. Sunter - £125.00
S. Sturrock – salary – £686.40
HMRC – PAYE – £202.85
PPS – 69.00
Receipts:
There are no receipts
12. **Items for the next Agenda:**
A. Risk Assessment Review
B. HARP
C. CCTV
D. Playground
E. Queen’s Jubilee
13. It was resolved to hold the next Parish Council Meeting on Monday, 17 January 2022 at 7.30pm

The meeting closed at 8.50pm.