

CHATBURN PARISH COUNCIL

A Parish Council Meeting was held in the Village Hall on Monday, 11 April 2022 at 8.00pm..

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

1. Apologies for absence were received from Mr. R. Porter
2. There were no declarations of interest.
3. Minutes of the previous Parish Council meeting were approved.
4. Borough Councillor's Report:
 - a) The Borough Councillor reported that the number of people using Chatburn library was low compared to other villages and needs a boost to ensure that it remains open.
 - b) Enquiries have been made to employ a gully cleaner for Chatburn following discussions with other parishes using this service.
 - c) The Borough Councillor is in contact with both County and Borough Councils in an attempt to resolve the condition of the road at the Ribblesdale View/Sawley Road junction which is in a dangerous condition following the development of the new housing development.
5. Clerk's Report:
There were no additions to the written report.
- 6A. HARP:
The meeting with HARP representatives had been helpful. Three parish councillors attended to question the proposed route for nine months through the village. Details are in the Chairman's report on the website.
- 6B. Nature Reserve:
This item will be discussed at the next Hanson's Cement meeting which will be attended by the parish council's representative.
- 6C. Queen's Jubilee/Village Tidy-up:
Plans are in place for celebrating the event. Newlands Nursery has agreed to place a flower crown arrangement in the centre of the village and events are being planned for activities on the playing field. It was resolved to send a leaflet to all residents requesting them to tidy up the front of their property.
- 6D. Church Newsletter:
It was confirmed that this will be discussed at a meeting on 21 April when a decision about the future format of the publication will be decided.
- 6E. Council Emergency Contact List:
Despite extensive enquiries the council has been unable find anyone prepared to carry out urgent repairs to the play equipment.
- 6F. Junction Downham Road/Robinson Street:
The wall of the house on the junction is constantly being knocked down. LCC are unable to offer assistance apart from painting a white line around the corner. The resident has been advised to contact Citizen's Advice to discuss what can taken to resolve the problem.
- 6G. Playground Official Opening:
Arrangements are being made with ESP for a formal handover of the new playground equipment in the first week of May. Chatburn school to be included in the event and ESL will provide drone coverage for publicity. Representatives from Lancashire Environmental Fund to be invited to attend.

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7. Representatives Reports:

The RVBC Parish Council's Liaison Meeting was cancelled.

8. Planning Applications & Decisions:

3/2022/0242. Proposed change of use of the first floor from business premises to living accommodation 15 Bridge Road. No observations

Decisions

3/2020/0911. Proposed two-storey extension to rear at Shackletons. Approved

9. Playing Field:

a) A request to hold a Veteran's Football match on Friday, 3 June was received from the Football Club. It was resolved to grant permission for this provided that the club follows the same criteria as for a normal league game. To prevent damage to the ground the match must be cancelled if weather conditions are unsuitable.

b) Due to the final work on the playground equipment there was no inspection report.

c) The train will be inspected by a joiner to ascertain what repairs are required.

10. Statement of Accounts & Annual Governance Statement 2021/2022:

The statement of accounts & annual governance statement was approved by the parish council.

11. Finance & Accounts:

Payments:

Ribble Valley Borough Council – dog & litter bin collection - £1,227.21

Waterplus – changing rooms - £148.02

Lancs. Association of Local Councils – annual subscription - £211.40

G. Hodbod – website - £50.00

G. Lambert - £75.00 – internal audit

Receipts:

Ribble Valley Borough Council – annual precept - £11372.00

Chatburn Cricket Club – use of pitch - £50.00

12. Items for the next Agenda:

A. Nature Reserve

B. Church Newsletter

C. Ribblesdale View Road

D. Review of pitch hire fees

13. It was resolved to hold the next Parish Council Meeting on Monday, 9 May 2022 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall, Downham Road.

The meeting closed at 9.20pm.