

CHATBURN PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of the Parish Council Meeting was held in the Village Hall on Monday, 20 June 2022 at 7.30pm.

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

Two members of the public attended the meeting.

1. There were no apologies for absence
2. There was a declaration of interest in Item 7C on the agenda.
3. **Public Participation:**
Matters raised by the public included sinking sewer covers on Crowtrees Brow, the Sawley Road grass verge and HGV drivers ignoring the weight restriction over Downham Road bridge.
4. Minutes of the previous Parish Council meeting were approved.
5. **Borough Councillor's Report:**
 - a) Chatburn Librarian has appreciated the input from the parish council concerning use of the library which is now being supported and well used.
 - b) Work to reinstate the road outside the new development on Ribblesdale View has been completed.
 - c) RVBC has been made aware that there are problems with the playground litter bins. The internal sacks are not being opened fully allowing rubbish to accumulate near the top which is being removed by birds. Councillors were advised to monitor the bins to ensure that they are being emptied regularly.
 - d) County Councillor, Ged Mirfin, is arranging for a meeting to be held for all parishes affected by HARP.
6. **Clerk's Report:**
There were no additional items to report.
- 7A. **Peak & Northern Footpaths Society:**
It was resolved not to subscribe to the society.
- 7B. **Gully Cleaning:**
It was resolved to employ a company to start cleaning gullies in the autumn on a trial basis. Residents will be notified and requested to move vehicles when work will be carried out
- 7C. **Review of pitch hire fees:**
Due to rising costs, it was resolved to notify the Cricket and Football Clubs that an increase in hire charges is under review for the next season.
- 7D. **Tarmac Contract:**
Tarmac to be reminded of their Deed of Covenant obligations reference the land adjacent to Chatburn Brook and request immediate action for the area to be cleaned up.
- 7E. **Playground opening:**
A copy of the drone video has been sent to the LEF for use as promotional material for grant applications.
- 7F. **RVBC Local Plan:**
Parish Councils were requested to respond to the RVBC Local Plan.
It was resolved that councillors make individual responses to be collated and returned to RVBC before the closing date and to invite Colin Hirst, RVBC to attend the next council meeting to address issues raised by councillors.

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7G. **Parish Council Vacancy:**

RVBC to be informed of the vacancy which will be advertised on the parish council notice board and the website.

10. **Representative Reports:**

A member gave a report about the recent Online course for new Clerks and Councillors.

11. **Planning Applications & Decisions:**

Applications:

3/2022/0500. Technical Details Consent for residential development of up to 9 dwellings following permission in Principle application 3/2018/0582 and appeal APP/T2350/W/19/3223816.

Observations made

3/2022/0465. Proposed first floor change of use to three self-contained flats, access via external staircase. Ground floor conversion of store buildings 1 and 2 into a kitchen. Post Office 1-3 Bridge Road

Observations made

Decisions:

There are no planning decisions

12. **Playing Field:**

a) The weekly inspection reported that two of the roundabout seats require replacing and that the springy toy should be removed. No decision has been made about replacing the train and further estimates for a new one to be requested.

b) Dog fouling continues to be a problem on the playing field and the parish council will make enquiries about early purchase of a CCTV camera.

c) The police to be informed that there has been drug abuse on the new play equipment.

d) Replacement signs are required for the gates.

13. **Finance & Accounts:**

Payments made prior to the meeting:

Office Depot – printer - £89.39

LALC – Training - £35.00

Payments:

R. Johnson – gate repair - £120.00

D. Roberts – weed killing - £340.00

Waterplus - £74.43

K. Sunter - £125.00

S. Sturrock – salary - £700.13

PPS – £97.98

HMRC – £206.28

Receipts:

Allotment rents - £370.00

14. **Items for the next Agenda:**

A. Playing Field CCTV Camera

B. Playground Train

C. Grass Cutting Contract

13. It was resolved to hold the next Parish Council Meeting on Monday 18 July 2022 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall, Downham Road.

The meeting closed at 9.30pm.

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