

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 8th January 2019

Present

Councillor P. Brown	Councillor S. Jones
Councillor K. Cook	Councillor R. Mulvany
Councillor L. Gettings	Councillor C. Nixon
Councillor G. Haigh	Councillor L. Rawson
Councillor C. Johnson	

127.0 Apologies for Absence

127.1 Apologies were received from Councillors Bailey, Knight, Kimberley and Taylor.

128.0 Anti-Social Behaviour/Policing Issues/Speeding Issues

128.1 The Police were unable to attend due to the Meeting having to be relocated and held at St Peter's Church.

128.2 Councillor Jones read out the Crime Report for December, stating that there had been 4 residential burglaries, 2 commercial burglaries, and 1 theft from a motor vehicle. He advised that there had been no thefts of vehicles since the last meeting.

129.0 Declaration of Interest

129.1 There were no declarations of interest.

130.0 Chair's Remarks

130.1 Councillor Jones wished everyone a Happy New Year.

131.0 Minutes of the Meeting held on 6th November 2018

131.1 The Minutes were agreed as a true and accurate record.

131.2 Matters Arising

Item 118.12 All Councillors confirmed that they were happy with the new Little Library designs, and also the proposed locations on Street Lane and Scott Green. Councillor Nixon to arrange a delivery date.

Item 122.1 Councillor Jones confirmed that Councillor Kimberley had obtained information regarding the implementation of a temporary road closure for Town Street on Light-Up Night.

132.0 Correspondence

132.1 The Clerk listed the correspondence for December.

132.2 A letter from The Hollybush Conservation Centre offering their services, and advising that were grants available for community conservation projects.

132.3 An email from Councillor Cook regarding the Cub's plastic straw project.

132.4 An email from Mr Paul Sidney with concerns about dangerous parking and manoeuvres at Birchfield Primary School, and a response from Mandeep Flora, LCC Traffic Engineering Section.

132.5 An email from Councillor Hutchison advising the Parish Council that he had been out with the Police on one of their Speed Monitoring exercises. Councillor Gettings suggested that it would be advantageous for a member of Gildersome Parish Council to be involved with this. **The Clerk to contact Councillor Hutchison.**

132.6 Details of Gildersome Parish Council Precept for 2019/20. This to be discussed, and the Precept decided upon in Item 138.0.

132.7 An email from David Raynor, of the Scope Charity, seeking new locations for their Textile Recycling Banks.

132.8 An update from Sarn Warbis regarding the maintenance work being carried out at the Meeting Hall.

132.9 Mark Dolman, Service Manager for Cleaner Leeds Team South, sent two emails. One gave a breakdown of the PCN's issued per area. The second was a draft copy of arrangements for the provision of an Enforcement Officer. Councillor Gettings reported on a recent Enforcement Meeting.

133.0 Upkeep of the Playground

133.1 Councillor Jones stated the promised jet washing had still not been carried out, and that **Councillor Finnigan would continue to pursue the matter.**

133.2 Councillor Brown put forward an idea to brighten up the playground by adding coloured metal decorations to the fencing at the road side. These would include butterflies, bees and ladybirds. This idea was proposed and unanimously agreed upon. **Councillor Brown to source the decorations, with a budget of up to £300.**

134.0 Planter Sub-Group

134.1 Councillor Brown suggested the planting of Christmas trees on various grassed areas in the village. These could then be decorated with plastic baubles at Christmas. This proposal was agreed by all. **Councillor Brown to make enquires regarding the cost.**

135.0 Meeting Hall

135.1 Councillor Jones stated that Sarn Warbis had advised that recent maintenance work had been undertaken for health and safety reasons, though he could not understand the logic of the present work in view of the Parish Council's proposals for future management. All members concurred with this view.

135.2 Councillor Jones reported that, due to an urgent request from Leeds City Council, a Business Plan had been prepared to support our Letter of Intent. **Sarn Warbis had confirmed that the Plan had been passed onto Assett Management, and he would get back to us shortly.**

136.0 Action Plan

136.1 Past and Future Events

The Clerk stated that Community Lettings required confirmation of hire dates for 2019.

The following dates were set:

Easter Egg Hunt – April 21st

Scarecrow Festival – a Sunday in June to be confirmed.

Light-Up Night – 15th or 22nd November

Councillor Haigh advised that he had looked into the purchase of new tables, but as 11 would be required the cost would be in the region of £600. It was decided to give the matter further consideration, especially as storage might be a problem.

It was stated that the owners of the Pizza Shop had expressed an interest in making a donation, in view of the extra trade Parish Council events generated.

Councillor Gettings put forward an idea that might be considered for the future, and maybe incorporated into Light-Up Night. This involved a Light-Up Gardens Competition. Councillor Cook also suggested a Pumpkin Competition.

136.2 Footpaths

There was nothing to report.

136.3 Landscape Project

Councillor Cook advised that there was nothing to report.

137.0 Planning

137.1 Councillor Cook stated that there had been no planning decisions in December.

137.2 Councillors queried various aspects of the design, and lack of progress with construction work at the Paddock, but it was confirmed that the properties had been advertised.

138.0 Finance/Budget Review

138.1 The Clerk advised that the balance on the Parish Council's **Current Account** currently stands at: **£16,111,06**

138.2 Cheques sent out this month are as follow:

Eglen Engravers/Plaque	30.00
P.May/December Salary	234.56
Zurich Municipal/Insurance	<u>566.90</u>
	831.46

138.3 Payments made via Bankline:

HMRC	58.80
Bankline Fee	<u>0.40</u>
TOTAL	890.66

138.4 Payments Received:

LCC/Outer South Community Grant	500.00
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138.5 The balance on the Parish Council's **Reserve Account** currently stands at : £19,347.05

138.6 Councillor Jones proposed that the Parish Precept for 2019/20 be set at £23,404. This a rate of £12.56 per annum on a Band D property. This was approved by all Members of the Parish Council.

139.0 Applications for Grants

139.1 There were no applications for grants.

140.0 Date of Next Meeting

140.1 The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 5th January 2019 at 7.00pm in the Meeting Hall.

