

Minutes of the Meeting of Bowes Parish Council held at Bowes School Wednesday 11th July 2018

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr Carlisle, Cllr Redfern, Cllr Hughes, Cllr Brown, Cllr White, Cllr Wake and Mrs H Overfield.

1. **Apologies:**

2. **Minutes** of the Meeting held Wednesday 13th June 2018 agreed to be a true record, approved by Cllr Hughes & seconded by Cllr Redfern.

3. **Matters arising** (unless dealt with later in the agenda)
Durham County Council have finally managed to get the grass cut outside the council depot.

4. **Finance & Accounts – See summary below**

Receipts since last meeting £0.66 interest

Expenses since last meeting £530.29 Zurich Insurance £100.00 A R Toward £27.00 CDALC training course on GDPR

Summary Bowes Parish Accounts & Balance sheet				As at 30th June 2018	
Year to 31st March 2019					
Budget					
Income	Income			Cumulative Total	
108.00	Allotments	0.00		Bank as at 31st March 2018	£13,269.62
6.00	Bank Interest	2.09		Income y/e 31st March 2018.	£4,609.06
1000.00	Cemetery & Village	50.00		Expenses y/e 31st March 2018	-£1,474.97
	Footpaths	0.00		Total	£16,403.71
	General Income	0.00		Represented by	
100.00	Grants	0.00		Nat West a/c - 21543798	£16,203.71
4047.00	Precept D.C.C.	4070.00		Nat West a/c - 015102553	£200.00
	Playground	0.00		Uncleared movements	
	Publications	0.00		Total	£16,403.71
300.00	Vat Refund	316.97			
170.00	West Clint Field	170.00			
5731.00	Total Income	4609.06			
Expenses	Expenses				
250.00	Allotments	225.00		Petty Cash	54.72
	Grant Exp	0.00			
800.00	Cemetery & Village	203.98		Total	16458.43
100.00	Footpaths	0.00			
250.00	General Expenses	114.07			
960.00	Grass Cutting	0.00			
650.00	Insurance	0.00			
1700.00	Clerks salary	400.00			
415.00	PAYE	100.00			
600.00	Playground	421.92			
200.00	VAT	10.00			
5925.00	Total Expenses	1474.97			
-194.00	Actual Surplus/Deficit	3134.09			

Finance approved by Cllr Carlisle, seconded by Cllr Redfern.

5. **Planning**

A temporary compound is based at the top of the Clint for the waterboard in connection with the new pipeline.

6. **Correspondence**

Nothing to Report

7. **Cemetery & Village maintenance**

A Parishioner has made a complaint about the grass in the cemetery, which was cut shortly afterwards. The same parishioner then complained about nettles around a specific grave. Clerk has spoken to the gardener who will investigate this for us. Clerk to remind parishioners that it is their own responsibility to maintain their own areas. The Parish Council has arranged to pay for 8 cuts of the grass a year.

It appears that Arthur Aldersons seat is unsafe. Cllr Carlisle will ring his son and ask him how he would like to proceed after he has carried out an inspection.

Clerk has invoiced DCC £500.00 for the seed mix and will purchase it from the recommended supplier. Stuart Priestley has recommended the vegetation be sprayed, then sprayed again and then rotovated in September.

8 Allotments

Finally, some good news. Richard Wilson, Chairman of the Lords in Trust has agreed to pay for the repairs to the wall in full. He has indicated the he is happy for the land at the Clint to be used for grazing. Richard will also send a new lease for us to review. Clerk to let the allotment holders that access may be needed to repair the walls and contact Mr Watson to let him know to start the work after making the necessary arrangements with Mr Foster. Invoice to be sent directly to Youngs.

It has been reported that the new lock has not been put on the gate at the Clint. Clerk to also the Linda to remove the tree now the weather is dry and repair the wall.

9 Play Park

Cllr Redfern has completed his check, no issues to report. We have received the March inspection from DCC, clerk to chase up Junes. Work to start shortly on the wet pour.

10 Parish Paths

Bull banks doesn't need strimming yet.

11 AOB

Write to DCC congratulating them on cleaning up after the travellers at guide post corner and Bowes station. Cllr Hughes will be moving shortly, unfortunately it will be out of the Parish so he will not be able to stay on the council. Councillors presented Cllr Brown with a Pewter mug and their best wishes and thanks.

Meeting closed at 8.38

Section 17 Law & Disorder Act. It was felt the above would have a positive effect.