

Minutes of the Meeting of Bowes Parish Council held at Bowes School Wednesday 10th October 2018

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr Carlisle, Cllr Redfern, Cllr Hughes, Cllr Tipping and Mrs H Overfield.

1. **Apologies:** Cllr Wake
2. **Minutes** of the Meeting held Wednesday 12th September 2018 agreed to be a true record, approved by Cllr Redfern & seconded by Cllr Hughes.
3. **Matters arising** (unless dealt with later in the agenda)
None
4. **Finance & Accounts – See summary below**
 Receipts since last meeting £0.59
 Expenses since last meeting £2,562.00 R Watson £180.00 C Gibson

Summary Bowes Parish Accounts & Balance sheet		As at 28th September 2018	
Budget			
Year to 31st March 2019			
Income	Income	Cumulative Total	
108.00	Allotments 0.00	Bank as at 31st March 2018	£13,269.62
6.00	Bank Interest 4.05	Income y/e 31st March 2018.	£5,196.02
1000.00	Cemetery & Village 135.00	Expenses y/e 31st March 2018	-£3,420.24
	Footpaths 0.00	Total	£15,045.40
	General Income 0.00	Represented by	
100.00	Grants 500.00	Nat West a/c - 21543798	£14,845.40
4047.00	Precept D.C.C. 4070.00	Nat West a/c - 015102553	£200.00
	Playground 0.00	Uncleared movements	£0.00
	Publications 0.00	Total	£15,045.40
300.00	Vat Refund 316.97		
170.00	West Clint Field 170.00		
£731.00	Total Income 5196.02		
Expenses	Expenses		
250.00	Allotments 225.00	Petty Cash	54.72
	Grant Exp 0.00	Total	15100.12
800.00	Cemetery & Village 871.97		
100.00	Footpaths 0.00		
250.00	General Expenses 161.07		
960.00	Grass Cutting 0.00		
650.00	Insurance 530.28		
1700.00	Clerks salary 960.00		
415.00	PAYE 240.00		
600.00	Playground 421.92		
200.00	VAT 10.00		
5925.00	Total Expenses 3420.24		
-194.00	Actual Surplus/Deficiet 1775.78		

New online services for VAT refunds – clerk to register.

Finance approved by Cllr Hughes seconded by Cllr Redfern.

5 Planning

Information received regarding a new sheep house at Valley Farm, Stainmore.

Holme Dyke 2 Railway Cottages Bowes, T1 Ash – fell in conservation area – no observations

The Ancient Unicorn – Formation of 3 dwellings and hotel accommodation with associated landscaping – clerk to reply as follows:-

The tree report (2327207) seems to refer to a tree which is not within the planning application area. Are we to assume that the intention is to remove this tree as well as the tree within the marked area (2327208). Please note that the first tree (2327207) is not shown on the application plan. Both tree reports were more than 5 years old. We were unable to find a proposed site plan amongst the documentation provided.

The archway, which is to be retained as it is listed, seems inadequate for emergency and refuse vehicles as we responded to a previous application.

6. Correspondence

Information letter on Scam Mail approved for the notice board

We have received a reply from Lynn Todhunter, secretary of Bowes Lights, with the following responses: -

- **What is the total amount you need to raise** – for phase 1 we are looking for £7,900.00. This is to include the cost of insurance. additional electrical work at the village hall and the expenditure related to our Bowes Lights Lottery Draw.
- **What have you raised so far** - £4,325.00 with an anticipated £450.00 further fundraising within the village, and an expectation of grants in the region of £3,200.00. However, the grant funding cannot be spent in 2018 until it becomes an actual rather than an expectation. Even without the possible grant money, we will be spending £2,700.00 on lighting this year (with the promised funds this would increase to £5,900.00).
- **What are your arrangements for powering the lights.** – The lights will be strung in sequences, each sequence requiring a single power point. These points will be provided by the village hall, and donor houses though out the street.

The idea is good but the thought of using mains electricity in and across public spaces is a cause for concern amongst the councillors. Would a representative from the Bowes Lights Group be able to make a presentation to the councillors on how this years work is progressing and how they intend to develop this going forward. The council can only commit funding in the current financial year, and you have enough funding already to complete phase 1. Funding for future projects will have to be applied for at the time it will be spent.

7. Cemetery & Village maintenance

Nothing to report

8 Allotments

Raymond has completed the repairs to the walls and will bill Youngs directly.
Clerk to get advert ready for the Teesdale Mercury to be approved at November meeting.
Clerk to send out allotment bills. A Lacey has paid £3.00 towards his allotment.
Nigel Fairburn has had to give his allotment to Mrs Proud as he has now moved out of the village.

9 Play Park

Cllr Redfern is continuing with his inspections and everything is in good working order.

10 Parish Paths

Craig Gibson has cut the grass at Bull banks and it looks good.

11 AOB

Road from Bowes to Barnard Castle is to be closed from 20th to 28th October. Alternate routes are available. The road is to be resurfaced.

Clerk to contact Highways – Could the road sweeper go up to the allotments (DL12 9LW) currently they turn around before this point and the road is a mess with litter, some of which is blown off the A66

Armistice day on 11/11/2018 - Cllr Hughes has booked the village hall for 2pm where the silhouettes will be placed. Mrs Hughes will provide information on the names on the war memorial. Cllr Hughes has invited Forces Veteran's and will organise a collection for "Help the Heroes" on the day. The silhouettes will be in the church for the remembrance service. Presentation mugs will be distributed on the day from the village hall.

Meeting closed at 9.10

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