

**Minutes of the Meeting of Bowes Parish Council
held at Bowes School Wednesday 13th July 2016**

The meeting commenced at 7.15pm

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

1. **Apologies** Cllr Brown

2. **Minutes** of the Meeting held Wednesday 15th June 2016 agreed to be a true record, approved by Cllr Wake, seconded by Cllr Redfern.

3. **Matters arising** (unless dealt with later in the agenda)
English Heritage replied thanking us for the information regarding the castle wall, which appears to have been repaired.

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

Receipts since last meeting £708.00 3Ps £0.65 Interest

Expenses since last meeting £50.00 Toby Leetham £120.00 Butler & Gee (2 years accountancy fees)
£128.40 Tower Ming (Celebratory Coins) £259.60 C Gibson

Budget		Summary Bowes Parish Accounts & Balance sheet		As at 30th June 2016	
		Year to 31st March 2017			
Income	Income			Cumulative Total	
108.00	Allotments		0.00	Bank as at 31st March 2016	£10,766.73
6.00	Bank Interest		1.86	Income y/e 31st March 2017	£5,670.23
600.00	Cemetery		831.50	Expenses y/e 31st March 2017	£-1,196.90
	Footpaths		0.00	Total	£15,240.06
	General Income		0.00	Represented by	
708.00	Grants		0.00	Nat West a/c - 21543798	£15,338.46
4070.00	Precept D.C.C.		4070.00	Nat West a/c - 015102553	£200.00
	Playground		0.00	Uncleared movements	£-298.40
	Publications		0.00	Total	£15,240.06
596.87	Vat Refund		596.87	Petty Cash	104.36
170.00	West Clint Field		170.00	Total	15344.42
6258.87	Total Income		5670.23		
Expenses	Expenses				
250.00	Allotments		0.00		
1000.00	Cemetery		342.90		
300.00	Footpaths		0.00		
250.00	General Expense		329.10		
960.00	Grass Cutting		0.00		
650.00	Insurance		0.00		
1660.00	Clerks salary		386.90		
415.00	PAYE		96.60		
	Playground		0.00		
200.00	VAT		41.40		
5685.00	Total Expenses		1196.90		

Finance approved by Cllr Carlisle, seconded by Cllr White.

Budget versus Actual spend/Income were discussed.

Zurich have quoted us for our insurance, we will save £238.40 if we sign up for the 5 year plan. Clerk to contact Zurich to accept the quotation for the 5 years, £511.00 per year, proposed by Cllr Wake, seconded by Cllr Redfern. The fidelity insurance was quoted at £25.00 per year, we will bear this in mind if we are ever asked again by BDO.

5. **Planning**

Registration amendments to Bowes Moor – no observations

Kearton Farms – Kilmond Wood Quarry Boldron – Extension to mine 5 million tonnes of Carboniferous limestone and the importation of 192,000 cubic meters of inert materials – Cllr Carlisle will look into this application.

Erection of 14 dwellings at the former Department of Transport storage Depot – the new plans seem to be in line with our suggestions, and look much better.

6. **Correspondence**

Nothing of note

7. **Cemetery & Village maintenance**
The grass has been cut in the cemetery. The new gates on the castle wall look good and work on the ramp has started.
- 8 **Allotments**
Mr P White can't take on the allotment at this present time, but would like to be kept on the waiting list. Clerk to offer it to the next person on the list.
- 9 **Play Park**
Clerk to check the date of our next inspection.
The panel has been left open again, Clerk to contact grass contractor to see if he needs it, if not we could make it a permanent fixture like the other panels. We still do not know who is removing it, and for what purpose
Clerk to contact Highways department as the wall at 10 the Annums has fallen onto the public footpath again.
- 10 **Parish Paths**
Heart of Teesdale have offered to pay 50% of the cost of strimming bull banks later in the year.
Clerk to contact Emma Ashton-Wicket requesting £108.00 as a 50% contribution towards C Gibsons strimming bill..
- 11 **AOB**
Clerk to put the parish walks onto the website.
Hard copies of these walks to be donated to Barnard Castle Tourist information centre and Witham Hall.

Meeting closed at 8.50

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