

## Minutes of the Meeting of Bowes Parish Council held at Bowes School Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2019

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm

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

1. **Apologies:**
2. **Minutes of the Meeting** held Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2019 agreed to be a true record, approved by Cllr Hughes seconded by Cllr Redfern.
3. **Matters arising** (unless dealt with later in the agenda)  
Thrust boring site – Defect notice has been given to the contractor.
4. **Finance & Accounts – See summary below**  
Receipts since last meeting     £2.10 interest  
Expenses since last meeting     £1050.00 A R Toward – annual grass cutting charge

		Summary Bowes Parish Accounts & Balance sheet		As at 31st October 2019	
Budget		Year to 31st March 2019			
		<b>Income</b>		<b>Cumulative Total</b>	
Income		Allotments	170.00	Bank as at 31st March 2019	£9,049.63
108.00		Bank Interest	15.36	Income y/e 31st March 2020	£6,899.69
10.00		Cemetery & Village	583.00	Expenses y/e 31st March 2020	-£3,359.89
200.00		Footpaths	0.00	Total	£12,589.43
0.00		General Income	0.00	Represented by	
0.00		Grants	0.00	Nat West a/c - 21543798	£12,389.43
100.00		Precept D.C.C.	5202.00	Nat West a/c - 015102553	£200.00
5202.00		Playground	0.00	Uncleared movements	
		Publications	0.00	Total	£12,589.43
929.33		Vat Refund	929.33		
170.00		West Clint Field	0.00		
6719.33		<b>Total Income</b>	<b>6899.69</b>		
		<b>Expenses</b>			
Expenses		Allotments	600.00	Petty Cash	164.97
300.00		Grant Exp	0.00	Total	12754.40
2100.00		Cemetery & Village	358.54		
		Footpaths	0.00		
250.00		General Expenses	243.47		
1000.00		Grass Cutting	0.00		
650.00		Insurance	534.18		
1600.00		Clerks salary	1259.30		
400.00		PAYE	314.40		
400.00		Playground	0.00		
200.00		VAT	50.00		
6900.00		<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>3359.89</b>		
		Actual Surplus/Deficiet	3539.80		
-180.67					

Finances approved by Cllr Tipping, seconded by Cllr Hughes.

### 5 Planning

Permission to fell a Sycamore tree at the Ancient Unicorn – Clerk to write to planning –  
We object to the removal of this healthy tree, being in a conservation area and over 20cm in diameter it is naturally protected.

Confirmation from planning that the Barn at Sleightholme farm needs planning permission.  
Bowes Hutchinson School – Erection of a timber classroom building – no objection

### 6. Correspondence

National Tree week will run from 23<sup>rd</sup> November to 1<sup>st</sup> December 2019. There has been a really tight turn around for this grant this year, clerk received an e-mail on 28<sup>th</sup> October but the application has to be in by 15<sup>th</sup> November. A 100% grant can be claimed of a maximum of £150.00. Not claiming this year, remind Cllrs next September to see if they want to apply and to allow time to prepare the grant application.

Next year the government plan to plant 3,000,000 trees in a week.

**7. Cemetery & Village maintenance**

We have received two quotes for cutting the grass in and around Bowes, review February to start March.  
A gardener is also needed.  
Rabbit control has recommenced in the cemetery.

**8 Allotments**

Bills have gone out.

We have received a reply from Youngs, they have spoken to their solicitors and are awaiting their advice.

Clerk to e-mail Steve Ragg to confirm if the services provided via CDCAL include free access to a solicitor.

E-mail Denise – Callum would like to give up some of his allotment would you like to take it on by agreement between yourselves. He will share it with you, on a casual basis.

We have received an e-mail from one of the allotment holders asking for permission to store mixed items until they can dispose of them. Clerk to reply - please make sure you dispose of these items quickly to avoid complaints similar to those you have yourself made in the past.

**9 Play Park**

No issues to report from Cllr Redfern.

DCC has forwarded their inspection report, no issues to report.

**10 Parish Paths**

The 3P's grant has been approved in record time and Cllr White has given permission to Craig Gibson to start the work. All the stiles will be repair along with the grass being cut at Bull Banks moving forward.

**11 AOB**

Write to DCC Countryside Division to get the name of the contractor that put in the springs on the gates between Parsons Lonnen and The Desmesnes as they work really well.

DCC have put up some temporary signs at Startforth – “Please take your litter home, penalty £150.00”. Clerk to contact highways and ask if they can have 1 sign from the underpass along to guide post corner and 1 sign along to Cotherstone off the A 66 slip road.

Meeting closed at 8.55

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