

Minutes of the Meeting of Bowes Parish Council held at Bowes School Wednesday 9th October 2019

The meeting commenced at 7.00pm

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

1. **Apologies:** Mrs Wake

2. **Minutes of the Meeting** held Wednesday 11th September 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 – DCC have reported the issue and requested their Network Control Officer pay a visit to assess remedial works. Cllr Tipping has said no progress has been made, it doesn't look so bad at the minute as the grass has grown over the uneven surface. Clerk to chase.

Advisory road markings to help with the congestion been completed. Some residents are still parking on them. We will monitor the situation.

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

Receipts since last meeting £2.19 interest

Expenses since last meeting £

Summary Bowes Parish Accounts & Balance sheet				As at 30th September 2019	
Year to 31st March 2019					
Budget					
Income	Income			Cumulative Total	
108.00	Allotments	170.00		Bank as at 31st March 2019	£9,049.63
10.00	Bank Interest	11.07		Income y/e 31st March 2020	£6,895.40
200.00	Cemetery & Village	583.00		Expenses y/e 31st March 2020	-£3,359.89
0.00	Footpaths	0.00		Total	£12,585.14
0.00	General Income	0.00		Represented by	
100.00	Grants	0.00		Nat West a/c - 21543798	£12,385.14
5202.00	Precept D.C.C.	5202.00		Nat West a/c - 015102553	£200.00
	Playground	0.00		Uncleared movements	
	Publications	0.00		Total	£12,585.14
929.33	Vat Refund	929.33			
170.00	West Clint Field	0.00			
6719.33	Total Income	6895.40			
Expenses	Expenses				
300.00	Allotments	600.00		Petty Cash	164.97
	Grant Exp	0.00		Total	12750.11
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	Total Expenses	3359.89			
-180.67	Actual Surplus/Deficit	3535.51			

Finances approved by Cllr Tipping, seconded by Cllr Redfern.

Decrease in the Parish Councils tax base of £3.00

5. **Planning**

Hogg House Farm – single storey front extension – approved.

Sleight Holme Barn – the planning officer has visited the property and has confirmed that they are looking into the history of this building and what works are taking place. We will be updated when they have determined the facts.

Commons registration – applications for the amendment of the register for entry no 233.

Havelock House -resubmission for first floor rear extension, bay windows to the front and replacement garage – approved.

6. **Correspondence**

Information received regarding local stroke units – approved for the notice board.

Clerk has received correspondence from Richard Fletcher offering to put “walking tours” onto the website.

Clerk to reply and ask if it is free to the parish council.

7. Cemetery & Village maintenance

The wall has been completed and although the rabbits are prevalent on the bank they are not causing any safety issues

Cllr Tipping is meeting with another firm regarding the tree survey.

8 Allotments

We have received a reply from Charles Raine, he has been forwarded the e-mails we sent to Richard Wilson who raised the matter at a recent Trustees meeting. The Lords in Trust do not consider the agreement we have entered into, or any part of it, to be invalid and they do not agree to the suggested rent reduction. They have asked that we continue to pay the rent agreed based on the recent agreement. It was also noted on a recent visit that the Client Field is not let by the Parish Council and the allotments are in a dilapidated state. If the land is not required than it should be surrendered back to them.

We would like to know the reasons why you disagree with the principles in the Grayston Webster award that your chairman agreed was a legal document and that also establishes your own rights and your existence.

The Clint **West** field is let for 3 years and any the one unkempt allotments will go to the next people on the list if the occupier does not cultivate it properly.

Clerk to contact Stephen Ragg and ask what legal support/advice we get as part of CDALC.

Bills to go out to the end of November.

9 Play Park

No issues to report from Cllr Redfern.

10 Parish Paths

Cllr White is continuing to gather information to complete the grant application.

11 AOB

Bowes Show was well attended and enjoyed by all.

Meeting closed at 8.45

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