

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

*The meeting commenced at 7.30pm*

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

1. **Apologies:** - Cllr Wake, Cllr White & Cllr Tipping.

2. **Minutes of the Meeting** held Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February 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)

Ivy Hall farm proposed development - Cllr Tipping contacted planning and they confirmed that landowners are permitted under The Town and Country Planning orders and control of development act to create a small camping site of up to 5 caravans or motorhomes and a maximum of 10 tents without the need for planning permission. The proposed site falls within the scope for the exemption, therefore it is outside of the control of the Local Planning Authority.

Reply from English Heritage – The regional team are hoping to renew the signage at Bowes but due to budget this is not planned for another year or so. We would look to include a note on the panel to discourage fouling. In the meantime, they are investigating whether a standalone sign, possibly mounted onto the gate would be acceptable.

Reply from school ref competition – They are keen to participate and have offered to invite the Mercury in to help the cause too.

Reply from DCC ref extension of 30mph zone – Extension/amendment of a 30mph speed limit needs to meet DfT guidelines and requires a legal order to make it effective and enforceable by the police. This will bring with it a significant cost to process and implement. If the issue is an ASB issue then it is not something we could simply resolve by moving signs.

Sale of shed – A parishioner has shown interest and will be making an offer shortly.

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

Receipts since last meeting £ 1.37 interest

Expenses since last meeting £ 424.00 wages H.Overfield £106.00 HMRC £212.40 Office Furniture (new notice board)

		Summary Bowes Parish Accounts & Balance sheet		As at 31st January 2019	
Budget		Year to 31st March 2019			
<b>Income</b>		<b>Income</b>		<b>Cumulative Total</b>	
108.00		Allotments	84.00	Bank as at 31st March 2018	£13,269.62
6.00		Bank Interest	11.00	Income y/e 31st March 2018.	£5,643.47
1000.00		Cemetery & Village	161.50	Expenses y/e 31st March 2018	-£9,607.24
100.00		Footpaths	0.00	Total	£9,305.85
4047.00		General Income	330.00		
300.00		Grants	500.00	Represented by	
170.00		Precept D.C.C.	4070.00	Nat West a/c - 21543798	£9,040.85
<b>5731.00</b>		Playground	0.00	Nat West a/c - 015102553	£200.00
		Publications	0.00	Uncleared movements	£65.00
		Vat Refund	316.97	Total	£9,305.85
		West Clint Field	170.00		
		<b>Total Income</b>	<b>5643.47</b>		
<b>Expenses</b>					
250.00		<b>Expenses</b>		Petty Cash	64.97
800.00		Allotments	330.00		
100.00		Grant Exp	0.00	Total	9370.82
250.00		Cemetery & Village	3156.97		
960.00		Footpaths	0.00		
650.00		General Expenses	1656.07		
1700.00		Grass Cutting	960.00		
415.00		Insurance	530.28		
600.00		Clerks salary	1416.00		
200.00		PAYE	354.00		
<b>5925.00</b>		Playground	421.92		
		VAT	782.00		
		<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>9607.24</b>		
		<b>Actual Surplus/Deficit</b>	<b>-3963.77</b>		

Finances approved by Cllr Redfern, seconded by Cllr Hughes.

**5 Planning**  
The Barn, High Broats Farm – creation of new vehicle access – clerk to make a note on planning portal that the work has already been completed.

**6 Correspondence**  
Cllr Wake has offered to organise litter picking in and around Bowes and has asked for some equipment. Agreed to provide 8 litter pickers, 4 bin bag hoops, gloves and Hi-Viz jackets. Approved by Cllr Carlisle, seconded by Cllr Hughes.  
We have been approached by Kirsty Stevens from Amey.co.uk regarding two historic marker stones on the Durham/Cumbria border. They asked if we had any objections if they were moved to a better position when they were doing some work to improve the area. No objections were made. They are also erecting some interpretation boards covering local points of interest. Cllr Hughes has sent them some information, would any of the other councillors like to add anything?

**7 Cemetery & Village maintenance**

Nothing to report

**8 Allotments**

Youngs have written to us stating that the Heads of Agreement will be drawn up shortly. It was decided to look at the allotment agreement and pricing structure when we had received the prices from Youngs. We can not change the agreement until November so it gives us time to think about the best way to proceed.

**9 Play Park**

Cllr Redfern has completed his monthly inspection – no issues to report.

**10 Parish Paths**

Nothing to report

**11 AOB**

Meeting closed at 9.15

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