

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

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm

**Present:** Cllr Carlisle, Cllr White, Cllr Brown, Cllr Wake, and Mrs H Overfield

1. **Apologies** None
2. **Minutes** of the Meeting held Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2015 agreed to be a true record, approved by Cllr Wake seconded by Cllr Brown.
3. **Matters arising** (unless dealt with later in the agenda)  
The wall has been repaired near the play park.  
Lights are working at Guide Post Corner.
4. **Finance & Accounts – See summary below**  
Receipts since last meeting £15.00 Allotment Holders £373.50 Brownless & Sons  
£73.50 Blenkiron  
Expenses since last meeting None

BUDGET		Summary Bowes Parish Accounts & Balance sheet		As at 29th December 2015	
Year to 31st March 2016					
<b>Income</b>	<b>Income</b>	<b>Cumulative Total</b>			
57	Allotments 72.00	Bank as at 31st March 2015 £12,414.16			
6	Bank Interest 5.15	Income y/e 31st March 2016 £5,760.15			
200	Cemetery 987.50	Expenses y/e 31st March 2016 -£4,081.40			
500	Footpaths 0.00	Total £14,092.91			
	General Income 508.50	Represented by			
	Grants 0.00	Nat West a/c - 21543798 £13,430.91			
4017	Precept D.C.C. 4017.00	Nat West a/c - 015102553 £200.00			
	Playground 0.00	Uncleared movements £462.00			
	Publications 0.00	Total £14,092.91			
508.5	Vat Refund 0.00	Petty Cash 99.48			
170	West Clint Field 170.00	Total 14192.39			
5458.5	<b>Total Income 5760.15</b>				
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>Expenses</b>				
1095.00	Allotments 1102.00				
455.00	Cemetery 356.95				
500.00	Footpaths 0.00				
100.00	General Expense 568.62				
1750.00	Grass Cutting 0.00				
628.00	Insurance 633.91				
1400.00	Clerks salary 1206.12				
349.60	PAYE 213.80				
	Bus stop/shelter 0.00				
	Playground 0.00				
350.00	VAT 0.00				
6627.60	<b>Total Expenses 4081.40</b>				
-1169.10	Used from reserves				

The precept payment has been amended to make sure the parisheners are paying the same amount as last year. Due to the change in the tax base this means an overall increase to the precept of £53.00 leaving the total Precept as £4070.00.

The accounts were approved to be a true record by Cllr Carlisle, seconded by Cllr Brown

5. **Planning**  
Nothing to report
6. **Correspondence**  
Nothing of note

7. **Cemetery & Village maintenance**  
Three tenders were sought for the grass cutting for Bowes Parish Council and the Village Hall. The contractor that submitted the most competitive price was given the contract after their liability insurance was checked. It was decided to place the order for our grass cutting and to see how the finances stood at the village hall before an order was given to cover their work.  
Thanks to Callum for continuing to control the rabbit situation in the cemetery
  
- 8 **Allotments**  
Clerk to chase up any outstanding rental agreements and monies due.  
N Fairburn is the only allotment holder who has not paid. Clerk to write and give him 28 days notice. One or two agreements still to come in, Clerk to post them out.
  
- 9 **Play Park**  
Play park looks well. Does anyone know of anybody who would like to put up a memorial seat?
  
- 10 **Parish Paths**  
Emma Aston-Wicket has been in contact with Cllr White regarding Bull Banks. The Heart of Teesdale are trying to raise the funding to complete the project, it is thought that stiles have been fitted to both ends of the path.  
Can councillors have a look around to see if there is any work that needs doing for next years grant, which will need to be completed shortly.
  
- 11 **AOB**  
Clerk to contact Highways department. Western drain down the cutting to Gilmonby from Bowes is blocked and has been for 3-4 years. Water is running down the road and is wearing away the surface especially near the bottom bend.

Meeting closed at 8.30

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