

TRAWDEN FOREST PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday the 1st April 2019

Meeting started 7.00pm

Present

Chairperson Barry Hodgson

Vice Chairperson Paul Reyner

Clerk Adele Waddington

Cllr David Barritt

Cllr Beverley Robinson

Cllr Ruth Crompton

Cllr David Storey

Cllr Clare Storey

Cllr John Dransfield

Apologies : Cllr Margaret Foxley

Also present: Adrian Lord

Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of 4th March 2019 were approved. Proposed by Cllr Reyner, seconded by Cllr Barritt

Declaration of Interest

Parish Council were reminded of the requirement of the member Code of Conduct concerning the declaration of interests.

Wycoler Repairs

No update available

Trough at Gladstone Terrace

This issue is still on the investigations list.

Residents Issues

Adrian Lord attended the meeting to update the Councillors of his plans with Catlows Field. He has been in contact with Pendle Council who were receptive to his idea, but there may be an issue with the change of use. He plans on using the pavilion as his facilities from April to the end of September, and is prepared to pay 50% of the costs for the building during this time. Adrian has a meeting with Neil Watson on site to talk through his ideas for the site. Adrian wants to bring tourists, and therefore money to the area. Cllr Robinson advised that there is a policy in the Neighbourhood Plan where tourism is hoped to be promoted. Adrian will keep the Councillor updated on any progress.

Matters Arising

Parish Council Vacancies/Elections

Cllr Dransfield advised that he will not be re-standing to be a Parish Councillor at the upcoming elections. He has been serving as a Councillor for many years and will be missed. Cllr Hodgson thanked him for his service and for the huge contribution he made to the Neighbourhood Plan. John will be missed at the meetings. Adele has received an email from Craig McBeth showing interest in standing for the Parish Council, but did not attend the meeting again. We are unsure whether Craig has completed his nomination papers and sent them into Pendle Council as yet.

Lengthsman/NWIB

The Poetry Garden Plaques have been removed and sent away for rejuvenating. They have gone to Mercer Print at a cost of £120 for the whole job of 4 plaques.

Andrew has cleaned the gully on Colne Road, near to Old Joseph's Barn, but more debris has come down the gully. The Councillors asked that this be cleaned again and an invoice sent to Lancashire County Council for his hours to try and reclaim the money at it is on a highway.

With reference to the raised planter on Boulsworth Drive, Cllr Robinson has received costs and drawings from Ecoarts for something that is very different to the Friendly Bench originally seen. This is £1500. Adele has met with Shuttleworth Joinery to ask them to cost up something similar to the Friendly Bench and this has come in at a cost of £2550. Cllr Barritt suggested that both of the pictures are shown to the residents on Boulsworth Drive for them to decide which one they would prefer. In the meantime, Adele to put the funding bid in and any monies unspent will be returned to the Borough Councillors upon completion of the project.

Cllr Robinson has uploaded some photos of the Willow Weaving project onto their webpage.

Cllr Robinson asked that Andrew weedkill the small footpath in front of Gladstone Terrace. Adele to arrange.

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Colne and District Committee meeting

Cllr Dransfield didn't attend the last meeting as the representative for Superfast Broadband wasn't attending the meeting. He's due to attend this week, so Cllr Dransfield will go too.

The appeal for 3 properties opposite Rye Croft has been dismissed by the Secretary of State.

Cowfield Farm – Agricultural Report being reviews.

Scar Top Mill, Park Cottages, track at Back Lane – no progress

Issues at Far Wanless – this is being reviewed by planning

A new enforcement at Parrock Farm, Winewall has been added. There is a raised parking area but there is a dispute as to when this happened.

The retrospective building at Hall Meadows has been rejected. There has been an access road created to this building very recently. Cllr Dransfield will inform the Committee at the meeting about this.

Concerns were raised regarding the slow progress on the Goat House on Rock Lane. Adele to ask Pendle Council if it is pertinent that it be included in the 'problem sites' as it looks unsightly.

Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr Dransfield offered to continue his work on the Local List even after he stands down, and the Councillors are very pleased that he will do this.

Cllr Dransfield, with support from Cllr Hodgson and Adele Waddington are participating in a Neighbourhood Plan event on 15th April, where 18 town and Parish Councils have been invited to attend to show the pros and cons of writing a Plan.

Allotments/Garages

Adele Waddington has received an email regarding a garage that went up for sale without the waiting list being consulted. This issue has now been resolved with the tenant.

Adele has also received a letter asking when garage plot 12 will be erected. Adele has received an email from the tenant advising that, now the better weather is here, they are actively seeking the best garage to erect.

Adele to reply and ask for firm plans of when they expect a replacement garage to be completed.

The allotments all seem to be running well. Cllrs D & C Storey are doing a fantastic job.

Recreation Ground/Ball Grove

Following the last meeting, Adele has been in contact with Philip Mousdale to ask how the boundary issues at Ball Grove can be rectified if the Parish Council takes over ownership next year. Adele is waiting for a reply.

Christmas Decorations – Cotton Tree

The Councillors had a site visit and have agreed where a planted Christmas Tree could be placed. It is to be on the smaller side of the old Post Office about 3m from the damson tree. Adele to get a cost for a 10'-12' tree, battery box and set of lights.

Tree Survey

This has been completed and Cllr D Storey spoke to the person carrying the survey out. He didn't seem too concerned about what he had seen, and a full report will follow very soon.

Parish Matters

Adele has received an email from a concerned resident about parking on the church corner with both staff and visitors to the nursery. It appears to be causing issues with cars being left in awkward places and therefore disrupting the flow of traffic. Staff are also parking on Colne Road, and it is making it difficult for cars to pass on the bridge as the road narrows there. There have been several reports of 'near misses' at busy times on Colne Road.

Adele has also received an email regarding parking on double yellow lines around the bus terminus area, and parking in the terminus which is making it difficult for the bus to turn around.

Whilst talking about parking, Councillors raised concerns about the parking in general around the village.

People are parking frequently on double yellow lines on Colne Road and Church Street. These lines were put down to make passing other vehicles easier. Adele to raise all the concerns with the Community Safety Partnership group.

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Cllr Barritt has noticed that there is a drain to the rear of 12 Weavers Court, which if it is not kept clear, causes issues further down the water chain. Adele to write to the owner to ask that it is kept clear to avoid any flooding issues.

Cllr Robinson has received a request for a rubbish bin near to Harambee Surgery. Adele to request this. Adele has received a request for a dog bin to be put back near to the bad bend at the top of Burnley Road. It was removed as the person emptying the bin fell and injured himself. The residents of the properties are getting frustrated with people putting their waste in their private bins, or leaving it in the grass or hung on trees. Adele is following this up with the help of Cllr M Foxley.

The swim passes have been distributed at school for this financial year. Adele to ask that something is included in the next newsletter to ensure they are utilised.

Cllr Hodgson asked about wheelie bins. He is aware that some have been removed from unadopted back streets as they were outside the property boundary. Adele to ask for clarification as there is area of the Parish where it is not possible for bins to be inside the property curtilage.

Planning Applications

Advice received that the retrospective planning application for the shed at Hall Meadows has been refused.

Advice received that the planning appeal for the 3 houses adjacent to Rye Croft has been dismissed
APPLICATION: 19/0124/HHO - PROPOSAL: Full: Erection of a single storey side extension. AT: The Old Barn 3 Alderhurst End Farm Hollin Hall FOR: Mrs Janet Amir. The Councillors have no objections for this proposal.

APPLICATION: 19/0083/HHO - PROPOSAL: Full: Change of use of agricultural land to domestic garden and erection of a detached garage with office accommodation above. AT: Thornlea Lane House Lane Trawden FOR: Mr & Mrs Nick Waring. The councillors are concerned about the size, positioning and that it is outside the settlement boundary.

Correspondence

Enquiry from Janet Quiney regarding bus terminus and parking. Adele to raise the issues with the Community Safety Partnership and respond to Janet

Pendle Borough Council Electoral Review posters received

Query received from Ann Elliot about parking on Church Corner. Adele to raise the issues with the Community Safety Partnership and respond to Janet

Suggestion received from Craig McBeth suggesting that CCTV be installed at the bottom of Winewall Lane/Cotton Tree corner. At the meeting with the Police, they advised that CCTV is generally ineffective with traffic offences. An ANPR is better but very expensive.

Quote received for refurbishing plaques in Poetry Garden. £120 + vat. OK to proceed.

Winter Bulleting received from Lancashire County Council. Forwarded to all Parish Councillors

Borough and Parish Council election notice received and displayed

Sample of swimming pass and promotional poster received from Pendle Leisure Trust.

Copy of email received from Sarah Cockburn-Price regarding fly tipping near to Trawden boundary

Email received from Nick Waring of an unsafe tree on the tram tracks. This is not on our land.

Email received from Paul White advising that he is standing down as a Councillor.

Permission received from Together Housing for the planter at Boulsworth Drive

Notification of reimbursement £500 of the Willow Weaving received from Pendle Borough Council

Report received of a discarded carcass in Winewall quarry. Reported to Pendle Borough Council for removal

Notification received from Neil Watson that the appeal for the 3 houses opposite Rye Croft has been refused

Agenda received for the Policy and Resources Committee meeting on 18th March

Public Rights of Way annual report received from Tom Partridge

Opportunity to participate in Traffic Management Training. £135 per person. Cllr Reyner to attend

Finance

Bank transfer of £585 approved for Andrew Crawshaw for Lengthsman Duties

Bank transfer of £192 approved for Ian Slater grass cutting

Bank transfer of £29.94 approved for B Robinson for cement to fix the willow deer

Bank transfer of £11.98 approved for JB Hodgson for cement to fix the willow deer

Meeting closed 9.50pm – next meeting Monday 13th May 6.30pm

Meeting dates 2019: 3rd June, 1st July, No meeting in August, 2nd September, 7th October, 4th November, 2nd December