

TRAWDEN FOREST PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday the 17th May 2021

Meeting started 7.10pm

Present

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| Chairperson Barry Hodgson | Clerk Adele Waddington | Councillor Ruth Crompton |
| Councillor David Barritt | Councillor Clare Storey | Councillor Andrea Beswick |
| Councillor Beverley Robinson | Councillor Emma Jane MacDonald (attended via Zoom) | |

Also in attendance

Borough Councillor Sarah Cockburn-Price, County Councillor Purcell, County Councillor Goulthorp

Minutes

It was resolved that the Minutes of the Meetings held on the 12th April should be signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record.

Declaration of Interest

Cllr MacDonald queried whether, if councillors purchased shares in the Trawden Arms, at future meetings that these would have to be declared. The Clerk to confirm this.

County Councillors

Cllr Goulthorp introduced himself as another representative for the area having recently been successful, along with Cllr Purcell at the recent elections.

Cllr Purcell advised that a Section 81 has been raised for the utility company to investigate and repair the noisy man-hole cover near Trawden Road.

Cllr Purcell reported that there are new rules regarding pot hole filling. If contractors are in the area to fill one pot hole and there is another nearby, this will also be filled at the same time.

Cllr Robinson raised her concerns regarding the lack of road surface works on Coal Pit lane and Colne Road. The Clerk to email the details to Cllr Purcell.

Cllr Robinson also raised that she had uncovered some grids between Rookwood and Prospect Farm on Colne Road. These have been reported by the Clerk, but no works have been carried out. The Clerk to forward this onto Cllr Purcell.

Cllr Robinson advised Cllr Purcell that, the grid at Hill Top, Colne Road that has had some work done recently appears to be taking water, but it now escaping further down Colne Road. Cllr Purcell to also investigate.

Cllr MacDonald raised concerns about the junction of Weavers Court and Colne Road. Due to the amount of traffic at school times, it is a very dangerous junction and feels that a mirror on the opposite side of the road would be of benefit. Cllr Goulthorp advised that Lancashire County Council will no longer install mirrors on highways.

Cllr MacDonald asked whether the Clerk could send a thank you to ex-Cllr Whipp for his service to our parish over the past 4 years. It was resolved that the Clerk should do this,

Borough Councillors Update

Cllr Cockburn-Price stated that the Colne Youth Action Group is going well, and there are many more projects upcoming that the young people of Trawden should be aware of and signposted to.

Community Centre Trustees update

Nothing of relevance, but as the centre starts to open again, it is becoming increasingly popular for bookings.

Parish Council Vacancy for Winewall, Wycoller and Cotton Tree

Although there were originally 2 applicants for this position, one of them gave back-word late on the day of the meeting. Therefore, there was only 1 applicant, which was David Storey who wished to be so-opted back onto the Council following his recent dismissal for non-attendance. He apologised for this, but Councillors understood that we had to abide by the Law. It was resolved that David be co-opted back onto the Council for this vacancy. It was also resolved that Cllr D Storey would continue on the working groups of Ball Grove Transfer, Friends of Ball Grove (to attend meetings) and the Allotment Management Team.

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Lengthsman

It was resolved that the Lengthsman hours be approved and paid.

Cllr Cockburn-Price asked that the Clerk chase Pendle Borough Council on the works and fly tipping raised on the old Tram Tracks at Cotton Tree.

NWIB

Cllr Robinson reported the Spring Clean was on 29th May 2021.

Cllr Robinson thanked Cllr Cockburn-Price for the funds for the new barrels.

Cllr Robinson reported that the spring plants were being removed and the summer bedding plants would be going in very soon.

The Clerk advised that there was still some sponsors who had not paid even though they had been sent reminders. The Clerk to advise who these are and offer to those who showed interest last year.

Allotments/Garages

Cllr C Storey advised that the tenant of plot 17 wants to make it smaller. New sizes were given to the clerk who will offer this out.

Cllr D Storey asked whether the Chairman would be able to get some posts. It was resolved that Cllr Hodgson would get the posts required.

Cllr D Storey advised that the garage that has been removed will have at least a new base at the beginning of June 2021.

It was resolved that any tenants who had not paid their allotment or garage rent would have to vacate by the end of May.

The Clerk has received a request for a garage swap. It was resolved that this would be acceptable providing both parties agreed to it in writing. The Clerk to arrange for this.

It was resolved that the Clerk would write to the person who she has received a complaint about asking that she doesn't go onto the allotments without permission.

Ball Grove

Cllr Cockburn-Price has received a request from the owner of the White House requesting a meeting with her. She feels that the working group should also be in attendance. It was resolved that the Clerk would try and arrange this meeting.

Map of Interesting Places

The freelance designer who has agreed to work on this has received the information. Clerk is waiting for a cost.

Colne and District Committee meeting

The meeting dates have not yet been confirmed.

Friends of Trawden Playground

Cllr Hodgson advised that the new fence had been erected in the playground. It was resolved that the Clerk would send a thank you card to Aron Cross for his help with this.

Swim Passes

It was resolved that the Clerk would write something and send to school so they could publicise this.

Dog Fouling Issues

Cllr Crompton hasn't made any progress with gathering information for this, but will endeavour to do so by the next meeting.

New notice Board

Cllr Hodgson reported that the new notice board looks much more professional and thanked the clerk for sourcing and erecting it.

New Office Space

It was resolved that the Clerk report back to the Trustees that the councillors agree that this idea appears to

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be the best solution.

Trawden Tram Tracks

It was resolved that the Clerk send the land registry documents to the Solicitor for clarity on the covenant regarding cost of repairs. The Clerk to also see if she is able to get an indication of cost for the repairs.

Tree Spirals on Land adjacent to Ball Grove

It was resolved that the Clerk send the land owner a thank you card for her efforts and commitment to removing the tree spirals.

Planning Applications

21/0364/HHO – Chelsea Rose Bungalow, Back Lane, Trawden. Demolition of single storey side extension and erection of single storey side extension.

It was resolved that the Clerk ensures that where it states the walls are slate, they are actually stone. Councillors have no objections to the proposals.

21/0302/HHO – 83 Skipton Road, Trawden. Erection of a single storey rear extension and alterations to retaining wall at front of dwelling to create additional parking.

It was resolved that the response should state that, although the parking area at the front of the property has already been completed, and the excavation works to the rear of the property have commenced, the Councillors do not have an issue to the proposed extension.

Finance

It was resolved that the following payments be made:

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| Lengthsman's hours | £487.50 |
| Trawden Furniture for new barrels purchased (grant money received for this project). | £165 |
| Andrew Crawshaw for the repairs to the new bench at the Millennium Garden. (Barnfield Construction to fund this) | £75 |
| Andrew Crawshaw for the new steps at the end of Lambeth Street and repair of steps to Ball Grove Drive (grant money received for this project). | £300 |
| Andrew Crawshaw for the erection of new posts and gate at the top of Cotton Tree Tram Tracks (grant money received for this project). | £300 |
| Andrew Crawshaw for grass cutting contract | £160 |
| Any additional hours for the Clerk. | |
| Councillors to consider a donation to Pendle Dogs in Need which is the chosen charity by Cllr Reyner's family. | |
| ITUS Security – Wycoller CCTV | £780 |
| Reimbursement to B Robinson for compost | £34 |
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| Zurich Insurance | £594.38 |
| Mandeleigh Plants | £775 |

The Clerk has received a comparative quote from BHIB Insurance for equivalent cover and it is £718.26. It was resolved that the renewal of Zurich be paid.

Councillors Issues

Cllr Cockburn-Price requested a letter be sent to the residents of Chapel close as a crack has appeared in the retaining wall.

It was resolved that the Clerk would publish to whom we had given donations over the last year.

It was resolved that £50 be given to Pendle Dogs in Need as a donation on behalf of Paul Reyner.

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CLlr MacDonald reported that there are flooding issues at Orchard Terrace that are suspected to be as a result of the properties at Green Meadow. Cllr MacDonald will forward information and pictures for investigation.
Cllr MacDonald reported footpath 151 has received a pipe repair.
Cllr MacDonald reported that footpath 45 has received some repairs.
Cllr Cockburn-Price advised that PC Sarchet is tackling the anti-social behaviour issues and veery little have been reported recently.

Meeting closed 9.40pm – next meeting Monday 7th June 2021 at 7pm.

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