

# BLACKO PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING 24 OCTOBER 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT: Parish Cllrs P Hesketh D Stone N McEvoy  
R Fewster H Wager E Clayton  
LCC's D Whipp Trish Ashworth PCSO

K Wood Clerk

### 1. APOLOGIES

N Hodgson

### 2. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

To approve the minutes of the last meeting held on 26 September 2017 – Proposed Cllr Fewster, D Stone seconded. All approved

### 3. MATTERS HELD OVER FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

- Barnoldswick Road Walling – Cllr Whipp had circulated the response from LCC which he was not happy with and has asked them again to write to the owner of the land asking them to improve the state of the wall, we will await further comment from LCC
- Malkin Close & 20 mile an hour speed limit, – Ongoing. Awaiting consultation Await the installation of the Average speed cameras on Blacko Mile, then push for the 20 mile limit on Beverley Road being extended.

*At this point in the meeting Trish Ashworth PCSO asked to mention another problem within Blacko which had been brought to the attention of the Police, On Gisburn road coming up to Blacko from Higherford the double white lines in the middle of the road had more or less disappeared and as such cars were parking on the road side, which given the proximity of the bends was causing problems, and could lead to accidents. The police had been in touch with Simon Bucknell LCC, and not happy with his first response had pressed him for the white lines to be repainted as soon as possible, the police were given assurances that this would be pushed up the list. Cllr Whipp stated that the lines after the resurfacing work in Fence and Foulridge were also behind schedule. Trish also brought it to the attention of the Council, the initiative of horse mounted volunteers, who were active in the area, and one Blacko lady was one of the volunteers, they were to be seen in rural areas with high vis vests keeping their eyes open whilst riding through rural area, they can see over fences, etc, and would report back to the police anything they thought was of note. Trish would try and send a picture for possible use on the Website and In Blacko news. Trish then left the meeting.*

- Possible Petanque – Cllr Hodgson had circulated a report prior to the meeting and all were happy for Cllr Hodgson to move forward with the Lengthsmans quote, and push Sport England. Cllr Hodgson & Cllr Hesketh are set to meet with the Lengthsmen.
- Village Website update – Ongoing
- Tom Root – Neighbourhood watch –Not able to attend

- Litter Posters. – Cllr McEvoy reported that Simon Bucknall LCC, had ordered both types of posters for his trial, which we could have a look at, and hopefully we will be able to trial them on Barnoldswick Road, at no cost to us.
- Rotten posts on Allotments – The lengthsman is on with this item
- Photo of the Residents of Blacko for prosperity. Possibly some time next summer. – Ongoing
- Trish Ashworth – Poster and cards had been received from Trish. It was thought that a letter to the new inspector Andy Winters asking if the Neighbour hood watch scheme was incorporated in part of PACE initiative - Clerk

#### 4. **PLANNING**

##### **Although no actual planning application.**

Cllr Hesketh had been approached from a member of the public to say the caravan had returned to the turning circle at Hollin Hall Farm, and that the Greenhouse also has not been removed. It was agreed the clerk would write to the Enforcement officer - Awaiting Response

Another issue had been brought to the attention of the Council - Wooden Dwelling in the field - Admergill Hall Farm - Opposite the Moorcock - no planning can be found on PBC website - Clerk to inform the Enforcement office.

#### 5. **REPORTS FROM BOROUGH COUNCILLOR**

Cllr McEvoy reported is was very quiet at the moment, there will be a full meeting later this week so will have more to report next month

#### 6. **REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR**

Cllr Whipp reported on the Consultation period regarding the changes to the recycling collection, and how to have your say.

He also reported with regards to white lining that the LCC have had another reduction made in the budget for Road signs and markings, they say this will not affect safety critical items but.....we must wait and see

#### 7. **REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES**

Nothing much to report , one application for a Dog Breeding facility. There were some discussions with regard to Crime figures. Mobile speed cameras on Barnoldswick road - out of the 400 tested only 5 were speeding over 40mph which was well below the national average

#### 8. **RECREATION GROUND AND ALLOTMENTS**

- Inspection done.
- New board for the basket ball net, has arrived and would be put up in the next couple of days
- The swing seat has been replaced.

- The Events committee had been approached to add a new piece of equipment to the park a Nest swing, similar to one at the Barley park, The events committee would make a large donation towards it if Blacko Parish Council were happy to go ahead. All were in favour and Cllrs thanked the Events committee for their generosity.
- The Blacko Stone planter at the top of the village needs some slight repairs all were happy for Cllr Hesketh to source a price for the repairs and carry these out.

9. **CAR PARKS**

10. **CORRESPONDENCE**

War Memorial letter - circulated prior to the meeting, it was agreed after some discussion that the Clerk would look into this more and visit the website and report back to the Cllrs

11. **QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS**

One Question from Cllr Clayton - Residents had asked why the Begonias had been taken out of the planter when they were still in bloom. Cllr Hesketh stated it was a time thing, if not done when there was helpers and weather permitting they would get left, if any residents wanted to volunteer they would be greatly appreciated.

Cllr Hesketh - Reiterated how well the village had done in Best Kept Village and we would see soon the results of Britain in Bloom. All Congratulated Cllr Hesketh and his team.

12. **QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

13. **FINANCE**

It was approved to authorise all payments on the Agenda.

**Payment Authorised**

Clerks Salary -	£140.90
Wicksteeds	£366.00
Net World Sports	£104.00
Chic Trophy and Engraving Centre	£5.40

14. **LAND AND PROPERTY**

15. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

16. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday 28 November 7.00pm