

MINUTES OF GISBURN PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON THURSDAY 29 NOVEMBER 2018
AT 7.30 PM

Present: John Falshaw (Chair), Colin Corlett, Dave Waters, Clerk

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Darren Jackson, Mel Riding, Borough Cllr Richard Sherras

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 18 OCTOBER 2018

The Minutes of the meeting of 18 October 2018 were accepted as a true record of proceedings and duly signed.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Current Account	£3,348
Deposit Account	£1,210

ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL

Mrs C A Holmes	Clerk	£360.00
HMRC	PAYE	£90.00

BUDGET 2019/20 AND PRECEPT 2019/20

The Clerk explained the figures in the budget noting that income from the concurrent functions grant would be reduced by at least 25% for 2019/20 and there would not be such a significant amount of VAT to be re-claimed. After discussion it was agreed that the precept for 2019/20 be retained at £5,275 and that efforts be also made to reduce expenditure in 2018/19.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND MATTERS

3/2018/1000 Gisburn Auction Mart, Gisburn – Proposed workshop, offices, showroom

There were no objections to this application.

HIGHWAYS AND ROAD SAFETY

Dave Waters provided an update on the latest correspondence between himself, appropriate representatives of Lancashire Highways and Nigel Evans MP. There was discussion regarding the large sign which had been erected close to the junctions of Stirk House and the Business Park and it was noted this did not look appropriate in such a rural setting but would probably be deemed

necessary from a safety perspective. Dave Waters advised that he had submitted a Freedom of Information request to Lancs Highways regarding the cost of the large sign and the smaller speed reduction signs close to 77 Garage.

It was noted that there continued to be a problem with parking in the bus stop on the A59 and in front of the Deli which compromised visibility for traffic exiting Burnley Road onto the A59. The Clerk advised she would raise the issue again with the police and it was also suggested that Lancs Highways be approached regarding the possibility of yellow lines.

PARISH LENGTHSMAN

The Clerk advised the lengthsman had not submitted an invoice for the November meeting but had obviously been working around the Cenotaph in anticipation of Remembrance Sunday. The Clerk advised she would contact the lengthsman to obtain an invoice as it would likely be the last lengthsman's invoice of the current financial year.

BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

This item was not considered.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk advised that the AONB had issued a consultation report, comments on which had to be received by February 2019.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

John Falshaw offered to contact John Pratt regarding a Christmas tree for the village. It was reported that Dr Keith Kirby wished to relinquish responsibility for the Christmas tree lights but that Fred Wrathall had indicated he would be willing to assist with the lights. The Clerk was requested to confirm to Fred Wrathall that he could purchase whatever lights he deemed necessary for the tree.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday 17 January 2019 at 7.30 pm

EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

Resolved: That by virtue of s 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 the press and public be now excluded from the meeting.

RECREATION GROUND LEASES

John Falshaw advised that he had still not heard anything from the landlord regarding the leases so the matter had not progressed.

