

**A Meeting of the Slaidburn and Easington Parish Council was held on  
Monday 16 May 2022 at 8.00pm in Slaidburn Village Hall**

Present

The following were present, Mr. Neil Breaks, Miss Vicky Wood, Mrs. Elizabeth Hargreaves, Mr. Stephen Wallbank, Mr. Duncan Cowking, Mrs. Linda Roberts, and the Clerk Mrs. A Robinson.

Apologies

Councillor Rosie Elms

Election of Officers

Chair – Neil Breaks – proposed by Mrs. Hargreaves and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Miss Wood

Vice Chair – Elizabeth Hargreaves – proposed by Mr. Breaks and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Miss Wood.

Minutes

The minutes of the meetings held on the 07.02.2022 and 28.3.22 were approved and signed.

Matters Arising

School House Lane - Drains

The Clerk has been trying to contact J Gill from LCC with no luck.

Clerk to contact Councillor Swarbrick to see if he can contact her to arrange a meeting.

Dale Head/Gisburn Forest access

LCC have advised that they were unable to justify implementing additional passing places but that additional signs will be installed to highlight the current passing places.

Mr. J Burgess – railings B6478

Slaidburn Young Farmers have advised that it would be too dangerous for the younger members to assist in painting the railings. Having exhausted all avenues, it was agreed that this would be taken off the agenda.

Village green car park

2 quotes are going to be obtained to have the wall fixed, which the parish council would pay and then pass on to Ribble Valley Borough Council.

Cattle Grid – Merrybent

The works have been identified and programmed.

Lancashire Constabulary

Lancashire Constabulary Rural Task Force attended the annual parish meeting and advised of their role in the area.

Tree at Newton

The tree which had fallen in Newton has been removed.

Queen's Jubilee

Discussions took place regarding the letter received from the Platinum Jubilee Celebration Committee and the invoices enclosed for village hall rent (£150), Slaidburn Archive (£100) and K Holmes Masonry for the jubilee stone (£250), which would be paid for using the £500 grant received from Ribble Valley Borough Council.

Although the money wasn't being used exactly as the Parish Council had agreed, it was eventually agreed, somewhat begrudgingly, that the payments would be made.

Mrs. Woodcock has confirmed that she will arrange for the beacon to be built and the clerk had advised her that the beacon should be lit at 9.45pm.

Mrs. J M Breaks has offered to pay for two blossom trees to be planted on the village green.

The Property Trust have agreed that an oak tree can be planted on the village green. Mr. and Mrs. Musson have advised that they have a tree which they would like to donate.

### Planning

None

### Accounts

Year End Accounts – Approved and Signed

- i. Certificate of Exemption - Approved and Signed
- ii. Annual Governance Statement - Approved and Signed
- iii. Accounting Statement - Approved and Signed

### Receipts:

Ribble Valley Borough Council	Precept	£2,050.00
Ribble Valley Borough Council	Jubilee Grant	£500.00

### Payments:

BHIB Insurance	Insurance premium	£354.64
WIX Website	Annual fee	£43.20
JS Accountancy	Audit fee	£36.00
Slaidburn Archive	Jubilee research fee	£100.00
Slaidburn Village Hall	Jubilee weekend rent	£150.00
K J Holmes Masonry	Jubilee stone	£250.00

### Correspondence

#### Car Chargers

Email from Mr. Brian Bennett with a query regarding car charges being installed in the village

#### RVBC

Path improvement funding from Peak Northern Footpath Society

#### Queen's Award for Voluntary Service

Details of how to put forward nominations.

#### Newton Parish Council

Query as to whether any charges for B4RN project were to be sent to them?

### Any Other Business

#### Councillor

It was proposed that Mr. Reuben Parsons be co-opted on to the Council in Mrs. Lawson's place. Everyone was in agreement.

#### Bentham Road

The road is collapsing and needs reporting to the Council.

#### Stocks Reservoir

The white lines to the entrance of the reservoir on Catlow Road need re-painting. Clerk to contact LCC.

#### Village Green Bridge

The bridge has been hit twice again in recent months

Town End/Shay Lane

The trees on the left hand side after the Health Centre are uprooting and looking dangerous.

Clerk to contact Slaidburn Estate.

Next Meeting

The date for the next meeting was set for Monday 11 July 2022 at 8.00pm.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.00pm.