

**A Meeting of the Slaidburn and Easington Parish Council was held on  
Monday 7 September 2020 in The Hark to Bounty at 8.00pm**

The meeting took place in the Hark to Bounty, which was closed for business that evening. The meeting took place here because the village hall is currently closed due to the Covid-19 pandemic and there are no other public venues available in the village.

Present

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

Apologies

Councillor Rosie Elms and Councillor David Smith

Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on the 13 July 2020 were approved and signed.

Matters Arising

Telephone Box

Ongoing – a response to the Consultation is awaited.

Community in Bloom

Clerk to purchase daffodil bulbs.

Dog Fouling

Stickers have been placed on the bins around the village.

School Lane

Replacement chevrons have been ordered and will be fitted when received.

Drain at Brockthorne

The drain was unblocked on 17.8.2020.

Signs

Catlow Road and Brockthorne.

The signs have been ordered and will be fitted when received.

School House Lane (blocked drains)

The drains are still blocked – Clerk to chase LCC.

Website

Mrs. Higham confirmed that she is in the process of making the Website fully accessible.

Back Lane

Duncan Cowking confirmed that some works have been carried out but there were still areas which were still bad. Clerk to chase LCC for an update.

Townend drain

The works have been assessed and will be undertaken.

Benches

The benches next to the Cenotaph need treating and storing for winter. Mr. Stephen Wallbank agreed to remove the benches on 11.11.20, he will treat and store them.

Bentham Road

LCC are carrying out repairs to the road.

Clerk to chase repair of the cattle grids.

Cenotaph

David Wallbank is going to carry out the repairs.

### Motorbikes

Clerk to chase RVBC for signs.

### Dale Head

Clerk to chase a response to correspondence.

### Drains

The drains are still blocked at the crossroads at B6478 and Dugdale Lane. Clerk to chase.

### Planning

Dale House Barn - no objections.

### Accounts

#### Payments

Mr. M Wilson( Executor for Mr. K A Wood)	Wage April -Jun	£40.00
HMRC	Tax	£10.00
Mr. S R Wood	Spraying	£56.00

### Correspondence

#### LCC re Keaden Road

LCC confirmed that they were arranging for the fencing on the cattle grid to be repaired.

#### Blaze Fireworks

Email received from Blaze Fireworks asking if the Parish Council were holding a bonfire this year and advising of costs of a firework display. Slaidburn Estate have advised that no bonfires can be held on their land going forwards.

#### LCC re Cycling Campaign

LCC provided details of their campaign to encourage people to walk and cycle to work. Details can be found at [www.lancashire.gov.uk/roads-parking-and-travel/active-travel](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/roads-parking-and-travel/active-travel).

#### LCC – Trough Road Closure

Trough Road, Dunsop Bridge is due to be closed from 28.09.2020 for approximately 4 weeks for bridge strengthening.

#### United Utilities

United Utilities provided details of the Haweswater Aqueduct Resilience Programme virtual exhibition, which can be viewed at [www.harpconsultation.co.uk](http://www.harpconsultation.co.uk).

#### RVBC

Ribble Valley Borough Council provided details of the Dog Control Space Protection Order Consultation.

#### Mr. J Burgess

A request has been received from Mr. Burgess that investigations are made into the repair and redecoration of the railings at the junction of B6478 and Tinklers Lane. It was agreed to discuss this further at the next meeting.

#### Slaidburn Archive

A thank you was received for providing details of the grants available from Duke of Lancaster Benevolent Fund.

#### Any Other Business

#### Signs – B6478

The sharp bend sign before the junction of the B6478 and Tinklers Lane is missing. Clerk to contact LCC.

#### Flower Tubs

The flower tubs in the village will need to be emptied at the end of September/October for Philip Cook to take.

### Gardener Appointment

A new gardener for the village is required following the passing of Mr. Wood.

A notice for a volunteer/s to tidy around the village, attend the Jubilee Gardens, flower tubs, sweep around the village are to be put up on the shop, PC box and the notice board.

### Christmas Tree

It was agreed that 2 trees should be purchased to put up in the village again this year.

Mrs. Lawson is going to obtain prices for the trees and contact Julian Cook to ask that he attend to connect the lights.

### Old Bridge

The new wall that has been built has been hit numerous times by large vehicles travelling over the bridge. LCC are looking into ways that this could be avoided.

### Vehicles

A number of complaints have been made regarding the speed that large vehicles travel through the village and the damage that is being caused by them. It was suggested that "drive carefully" signs could be installed or the speed limit be lowered to 20mph.

### Townend

There is a pothole on the corner of the car park at the Hark to Bounty. Clerk to report to LCC.

### Village Green

The footpath sign on the green is led on the floor and needs repairing. Clerk to contact RVBC.

### Poppy Wreath

A poppy wreath will be needed for Remembrance Day.

### Flagpole

A new rope is required for the flagpole. Mr. David McNamee will donate and fit a new rope. The flagpole will need to be taken down so that he can take the measurements. Mr. McNamee also advised that his friend, Stuart Wood, would donate a new handmade flag to the Parish Council. Details will be provided to the clerk to send letters of thanks.

### Drains

The drains around the Health Centre and Shay Wood are all in need of being cleared. Clerk to contact LCC.

### Dugdale Lane - Trees

The trees on the verge side all along the lane are sticking out into the road and are in need of cutting back. Mr. Breaks confirmed that when his hedge cutter attended he would ask him to do this area as well.

### Road Sweeper

The road sweeper needs to be booked to attend on Friday 6.11.2020.

### Next Meeting

The date for the next meeting was set for Monday 2 November 2020 at 8.00pm.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.06pm.