

**A Meeting of the Slaidburn and Easington Parish Council was held on
Monday 13 July 2020 in The Hark to Bounty Garden at 8.00pm**

Present

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

Apologies

Councillor David Smith

A minutes silence for Mr. Allan Wood was carried out prior to the meeting commencing.

Minutes

The minutes of the meetings held on the 16 March 2020 and 11 June 2020 were approved and signed.

Matters Arising

Church Street

The road sign have been re-painted.

Lancashire & VE Day 08.05.2020

A social distance Street Party was held around the village due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Telephone Box

RVBC had objected to the removal of the telephone box, which had been confirmed by BT.

Community in Bloom

£20 grant has been offered towards a purchase of daffodil bulbs of £50. Clerk to purchase.

Dog Fouling

R Elms is providing signs for the village.

School Lane

Chevrons are still missing – Clerk to chase.

Drain at Brockthorne

The drain is still blocked – Clerk to chase.

Signs

Catlow Road and Brockthorne.

The signs have not yet been replaced/repared – Clerk to chase.

School House Lane (blocked drains)

LCC have confirmed that repairs will be undertaken.

RVBC

The Register of Electors is ready to be collected at RVBC Offices.

Website

Mrs. Higham has confirmed that she is able to make the Website fully accessible and will do so prior to September.

Back Lane

Clerk to contact LCC regarding the state of the Back Lane.

Cars/Parking issues

Slaidburn Estate confirmed that they would contact United Utilities in respect of funding car parking facilities and asked for the Parish Councils support, in the event a planning application is submitted.

Slaidburn Archive

£200.00 cheque had been forwarded to the Archive as a donation for their VE Day book. A thank you letter was received.

Flower Tubs

Mr. Phillip Cook kindly supplied the plants, at cost price, for the tubs and planted them. He has also confirmed that he will take away the tubs and store them in winter and return them in 2021 re-planted. This was agreed.

Bin Collections – Catlow Road

It was confirmed by the Council that bin collections on Catlow Road from the entrance to Stocks Reservoir was every 2 weeks. If a paper collection is required, then the home owners would need to contact the Council to request this.

Field Head sign

The sign has been adjusted

Townend drain

The drain opposite 12 Townend is still blocked. Clerk to contact LCC with photographs.

Fiddler's Case

LCC confirmed that this does not meet the required level of works.

Benches

To be discussed at the meeting in September.

Bins

RVBC have confirmed that they will not fund any further bins on the village green due to the high number already in situ.

Planning

Brockthorne – no objections.

Accounts

Payments

JS Accountancy	Internal Audit	£36.00
A Robinson	WIX Website fee	£43.20
BHIB Insurance	Insurance fee	£354.65
Oaktrees Nurseries	Plants and Compost	£95.00
Villager	Donation	£25.00
Slaidburn Archive	Donation	£200.00

Receipts

RVBC	Precept	£2,050.00
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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

Correspondence

LCC- Countryside code signage

Clerk to request signs to be placed around the village.

LCC – Highways campaign

Details of the campaign being run by LCC in respect of the services delivered.

The article attached has been forwarded to the Villager for inclusion in the next issue.

Should anyone want to report a Highways issue, this can be done at www.lancashire.gov.uk/roads by anyone.

RVBC

Concurrent Function Grant application form.

RV LALC

Information received regarding the theft of defibrillators in the area and a suggestion that they should be checked regularly.

Duke of Lancaster Benevolent Fund

Details of how to apply for grants which are available. Clerk to forward details to the Archive.

Any Other Business

Bentham Road

Part of the road is collapsing, due to the heavy wagons now using the road. There is also a large pothole in the same area. The cattle grids are in need of repair.

Cenotaph

There are damaged stones at the base of the Cenotaph. Mrs. Lawson will arrange for the repairs to be carried out.

Spraying

Mr. S Wood will carry out the spraying around the village.

Motorbikes

A number of complaints have been made about the noise from the motorcycles on the village car park. Clerk is to contact RVBC to see if larger signs can be made and displayed asking for a reduction in noise.

Allan Wood

A sympathy card was provided and signed by all Councillors. A plaque is to be discussed in September.

Dale Head

The area is getting exceedingly busy with mountain bikers visiting Gisburn Forest. Clerk to contact UU / Forestry Commission to ask whether additional passing places can be made and signs made for the current passing places in order for visitors to be made aware of these.

Drains

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

Next Meeting

The date for the next meeting was set for Monday 7 September 2020 at 8.00pm.

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