

Buckden Parish Council
Minutes of the council meeting
Monday 14th December 2015

Present
Cllr Schofield
Cllr Clark
Cllr Breen
Cllr Thompson
4 Electors
Clerk

Election of Vice Chair
Cllr Breen
Proposed Cllr Clark
Seconded Cllr Thompson

1. Minutes

The minutes of the parish council meeting for October and November 2015 to be signed as a true and accurate record.

Proposed Cllr Clark
Seconded Cllr Breen

2. Apologies

Apologies received from Cllr Marshall

3. Declaration of interest

Declarations of interest were received from Cllr Schofield and Cllr Clark with regard to the planning application of a campsite at Heber Farm, Buckden

4. Matters Arising

1. Highways

The problems on Fleet Moss were discussed and the recent communication from Highways and Cllr Marshall. It was resolved that Highways department were monitoring the situation but would not be carrying out the works until next spring at the earliest. Cllr Marshall had been very active with this matter and had made a strong argument to have the works completed beforehand however Highways confirmed that apart from any other matter the weather conditions would not enable a professional job to be completed which was of paramount importance.

2. School and Rural Transport

It was confirmed that a recent meeting regarding this transport matter was very good and that no further updates would be given until the new year, when the next stage of the project would happen.

3. Vodafone Project

It was confirmed that Peter Vetch had submitted a strong email to Vodafone which resulted in 2 responses from their technical director. They have stated that they are not giving up on the project and we are awaiting further information from them.

4. Library

No more updates for the Library, it was resolved to remove this item from the agenda until any more information is received.

5. Parish Plan

Cllr Breen confirmed that the project was underway and he would update at the next meeting.

County and District councillor update

An Update from Cllr Marshall was read out by the clerk.

5. Finance

The statements of account at 19th November 2015

Community Account £4776.90

Business Savings Account £1353.16

Liabilities this month are

Clerk £127.24

Proposed by Cllr Clark

Seconded by Cllr Breen

The upcoming precept was discussed.

The councillors looked at last years accounts and took on board any future costs that might impact the council and resolved to keep the precept as the previous year, that being £4500

This was proposed by Cllr Schofield, seconded by Cllr Breen, and all agreed.

6. Planning

Planning application for Heber Farm received - At this point the chairman, Cllr Schofield stepped down from the meeting and it was handed over to Vice Chair, Cllr Breen.

The councillors are not able to discuss legally or vote on this application, with the declaration of interests expressed they do not form a quorum therefore they are not able to make a decision on this application either in support of it or against it. There were 4 members of the public who expressed support for the application.

The chair was handed back to Cllr Schofield

7. Correspondence

- Community Defibrillator - It was confirmed that the parish council would accept this piece of equipment and that they take on the costs of £150 for a new battery and £25 for new pads every 4 years. Cllr Schofield to confirm with the organiser - All agreed

8. Any Other Business

- It was resolved that Cllr Breen and Cllr Schofield would attend North Allerton before the february meeting to look at the record of assets owned by the parish council.
- There was a request from the village hall committee to look for the deeds, it was agreed that a date would be set where everybody would attend to help look through boxes in the attic.
- It was brought to the attention of the meeting that 5 spikes were missing from the bonfire and these are needed for the gala, a notice will bear displayed on the board

9. Matter raised by the public

With no other business discussed the meeting closed at 8.59pm
Date of next meeting Monday 11th January 2016

Future items

Sale of Low Cost Housing