

Simonstone Parish Council

Parish Council Meeting

held at 7.00 pm on 14th October 2021.

In St. Peter's Church School Hall, School Lane,

Simonstone

Minutes

Attendances :- Cllrs. David Peat, Graham Meloy, Robert McKelvey, Clifton Pollard, Elisa Hargreaves, John Barker. 3 members of the public and the Chairman of the Read PC and the Parish Clerk.

Apologies:- Stephen Finn

21/124) Minutes of the Meeting held on the 9th September 2021.

It was resolved to approve the minutes.

21/125) Declaration of Pecuniary and non-Pecuniary Interests. Martholme Greenway Cllrs. Barker, Elisa Hargreaves, Clifton Pollard, Graham Meloy and RSVH Cllr. McKelvey

21/124) RVBC Air Pollution report. Copy has been distributed by email to members and was discussed.

It was resolved that a report from RVBC concerning the matter should be presented to the Parish Council at the February and August meetings.

21/125) Christmas Tree Switch on 6th December – The Head teacher of St. Peter's School

- (a) The School is hosting the event in the main School complex using the infant area for the proceedings and supplying the equipment for the event.
- (b) Refreshments are to be made available by the school. It has not been confirmed if the Brownies are providing activities. It is hoped that Father Christmas will be attending. We are awaiting confirmation that he will arrive at 6.20pm in order to leave by 6.45pm
- (c) PC will be required to light the Parish Garden as usual and access to the School will be through the Garden Gate. Members will be required to assist at the Crossing point on School Lane.
- (d) Quotation for Christmas Tree. A price for the Christmas has been confirmed from the same supplier as last year (£320)
- (e) Lengthsman to erect on the 4th December at 9am
- (f) Prayer Garden. The type of benches has to be decided yet. The Bishop of Burnley is attending the school on 8th of December. Members of the Council are welcome to attend at 8.20.
- (g) **It was resolved to note** the draft report and the final arrangements are to be confirmed at the next meeting.

21/126) A Complaint was received by Cllr. Peat concerning a report in the Lancashire Evening Telegraph about the behavior of people in the car park on Back Lane.

It was reported that the Police are aware of the matter and the Car Park was not in Simonstone.

It was resolved to note the report.

(a) W632750 Concerning a sight obstruction on the footpath at Scott Avenue. This had been reported to LCC for their attention.

It was resolved to note the report.

- 21/127) Post Christmas** event for Parish Councillors of both Simonstone and Read to be held in January. Arrangements to be considered. Cllr. Meloy to report.
- 21/128) RVBC Gambling Act 2005 –**
- a) **Draft Statement of Principles 2022-2025** RVBC. Council's Licensing Committee decided that prior to the revised statement being adopted, there should be a consultation period (between 10 September 2021 and 24 October 2021) during which time consultees, the PC and members of the public may submit comments. There had been no concerns expressed.
- It was resolved to note the report.**
- b) **Code of conduct training- Change of dates**, these will now be conducted by Mair Hill and Stephen Barker on Monday 1 November, Wednesday 3 November and Tuesday 23 November 2021 at 6.30pm in the Ribble Valley Council Chamber in Clitheroe.
- It was resolved that 1st October, Cllr Hampson. Cllr K3rd Wednesday**
- 21/129) Central Government Diversity** request email forwarded to members. Resolved to address at the next pc meeting.
- 21/130) Sport England initiative see below – Cllr. Pea.** Information had been requested for community based activities which may require assistance, e.g. Dancing, Dementia, Singing groups, to foster greater social activities within the community.
- It was resolved that** members bring the initiative to groups they attend and report back at the next pc meeting.
- 21/131) Martholme Greenway** Cllr. Barker to report.
- (a) **Time Tech** report and Fence at Simonstone Lane. Planning matters have been researched and forwarded. Coun Barker reported that the coal yard had not received planning application permission and had encroached on railway track land.
- (b) **Time Tec.** Some issues needed to be addressed in the recent application.
- (c) **A response** to the litter/bin report had been undertaken.
- It was resolved that** the above matters be reported to RVBC.
- 21/132) RSVH Cllr. McKelvey** to Feedback on Civic /Celebration Sunday. Members reported that it had been extremely successful and had been well received. It was suggested that the event should become an annual one and **it was resolved** to consider the proposal for future years.
- 21/133) Platinum Celebration Commemoration:**
- Cllr Pollard: thinking of a commemorative bench or garden. Please visit Ark plastics website to view options. 1.5 mtr bench :-£299 .2.0 mtr £399. Picnic tables £379 and £695. I've asked Penny Galpin if someone can come to the meeting from the Environment group to discuss the possibility of creating a community garden.
- Various ideas were suggested : the Stork Green trees and benches ideas to be sought from nearby residents.

It was resolved that the proposal be brought to the next meeting of the PC and £1000 be added to the estimates next year.

21/134) PLANNING

- (a) **Parish Plan;** Cllr. Hampson reported that the idea was to carry out a survey of residents to establish a community profile to enable the Parish Council to plan the possible ideas for the future.

Planning Application 3/2021/0947	Planning Officer; Laura Eastwood01200 425111	Grid Ref: 377450 433358
Proposal:	Proposed new production facility (Class B2) and associated works.	
Location:	Calder Vale Park Simonstone Lane Simonstone BB12 7ND	
Parish Council	No objection	

21/140) LCC –

- (a) **Parish and Villages Annual meeting 13/11/21 in County Hall exchange 9.30-2.30; Cllrs. Hampson and Peat and the Clerk would attend.**
It was resolved that The Clerk make the arrangments.
- (b) **M65 Closure. It was resolved to note closures**
It was resolved to note the report.

21/141) Finance

- a) **Revised estimate for the current year**
It was resolved to agree the revised estimates
- b) **Setting budget for the year 2022-2023. It was agreed that the precept be £8400 for the year and reserves be used for the grant and the Platinum Celebrations.**
- c)
- d) **Payment of accounts**
 - i) British Legion. 2 Wreaths £50
 - ii) Little Green Bus Donation £150
 - iii) Citizens Advice Donation £150
 - iv) Read PC Civic/Celebration £65.00
 - v) Higher Trapp Deposit PP £320.00

21/142) Arrangements for the laying of wreath at the Cenotaph were discussed.

- 21/143) The Clerk reported that he had had serious problems with the computer and he was unable to send emails after many hours trying to sort out the problem with talktalk uk. It was agreed that the a new one be purchased if necessary.

Date of the next Parish Council Meeting: 18th November 2021 at 7pm
Members of the Public are welcome to attend Parish Council meeting.

Chairman’s Signature.....