MINUTES OF GISBURN PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 15 APRIL 2021 AT 7.30 PM VIA ZOOM

Present: Keith Kirby (Chair), Colin Corlett, Katrina Hartley, Darren Jackson, Jo Smith,

Borough Cllr Sherras, Clerk

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 18 MARCH 2021

The Minutes of the meeting of 18 March 2021 were accepted as a true record of proceedings and would be signed at a later date.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Current Account (Lloyds) £5,398
Current Account (Santander) £4,460
Deposit Account (Santander) £1,225

ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL

None

PLANNING APPLICATIONS/LICENSING APPLICATIONS

It was noted that the Ribblesdale Park glamping application had still not been determined by Ribble Valley Borough Council.

PARISH LENGTHSMAN

It was reported that Tom Bell, who cut the Recreation Ground grass, wished to raise the price to £95.00 per cut. It was agreed this increase was acceptable.

It was agreed that one further quote regarding the work required on the Recreation Ground trees should be obtained and a decision then made in order that the works could be carried out in the near future.

DEFIBRILLATOR/FORMER BT KIOSK

Jo Smith reported that the cost of a new defibrillator would be £1,300 + VAT. It was noted the majority of this money was currently held by the Festival Hall in an account which had been

established some years ago for defibrillator purchases. The Playing Fields Association had agreed to donate £400.00 towards the purchase. It had been confirmed that NW Ambulance service would provide the batteries and pads and that a resident of the village had offered to host appropriate training. It was agreed that a new defibrillator should be purchased. It was further reported that the signed contract for purchase of the former BT kiosk was awaited from BT. It was further noted that an electrician would be required to undertake work to render the kiosk suitable for the defibrillator and the kiosk would need cleaning.

HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS

It was noted that the re-painting of the lines at the mini-roundabout and of the bus stop by Lancashire Highways had still not happened.

It was reported that S B Tippers had advised that traffic management would be required for drain clearance on the A59 and A682 which would increase the costs considerably and so it would not be feasible for them to undertake the work. It was agreed that the priority drains should be individually reported to Lancashire Highways via the Report-It website in the hope that Highways would do the work as there was no alternative.

Plans for the positioning of wooden flower boxes on the verge at the mini-roundabout were discussed. Precise details would be provided to the Clerk who would liaise with Lancashire Highways.

BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Richard Sherras advised that it would be helpful for a member of the Parish Council to attend the bimonthly RVBC Parish Councils Liaison Committee as many of the topics raised at its meetings were of relevance to all parishes.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Clerk advised that she had reported various issues previously raised regarding bins with RVBC but was yet to get a response so would chase matters again.

It was agreed that a letter of thanks should be written for a resident who had volunteered to help with various matters in the village.

It was noted that the goal posts on the Recreation Ground were in a bad condition and should be replaced but that funding from external bodies might be difficult to obtain as no formal training or matches took place at the site.

It was reported that the mound of dog dirt in the tyre in the corner of the Recreation Ground was still there. It was agreed that an approach be made to the Auction Mart who would have suitable equipment to remove it.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday 20 May 2021 at 7.30 pm in the Committee Room at the Festival Hall