

**Minutes of the Meeting of Gisburn Parish Council
Held on Thursday 19 March 2009 at 7.30 pm
In the Festival Hall, Gisburn**

Present: Cllrs Falshaw(Chair), Corlett, Kirby, Ryde, Tyrer, Clerk, Borough Cllr
Richard Sherras

Apologies: None

ECISO Susan Hartley attended the meeting and provided an update on the monthly crime and police report statistics for Gisburn

Minutes of Meeting of 19 February 2009

The Minutes of the meeting of 19 February 2009 were taken as read and signed as an accurate record of that meeting.

Financial Information

Deposit Account	£2,164.32
Current Account	£3,932.83

Accounts for Payment

Mr Brian Kearsley	£308.00
Mrs C A Holmes	£75.00

Year End Matters 2008/09

The Clerk advised that it was necessary for the Parish Council to consider both its Asset Register and a Risk Assessment Schedule for the year 2008/09. Both of these documents had been circulated prior to the meeting. After discussion it was agreed that the car park and an appropriate value needed to be added to the Asset Register under the entry for the Festival Hall. It was known that the purchase price of the land, approximately 5 years ago, was £13,000. It was further noted that the wooden swing supports on the old play area remained standing and would therefore have to be included in the forthcoming insurance declaration. It was agreed that the Chair would make appropriate enquiries as to when these were going to be removed by the landowner.

After further consideration the meeting duly approved the Asset Register and Risk Assessment Schedule for 2008/09.

Planning Applications Update

The Clerk advised that the application in respect of Ivy Cottage, Burnley Road, had been recommended for approval by the Planning Officer and had gone to Planning Committee on 05 March 2009.

The application in respect of Dudland Hollins involved amending a footpath so RVBC were awaiting the expiry of the appropriate publicity period before proceeding with this application. The Planning Officer had verbally indicated to the Clerk that this application would also be recommended for approval.

The application in respect of the White Bull was considered and approved.

Any Other Business

Peter Ryde advised that he had made some enquiries about the possibility of another contractor cutting the Parish Council grassed areas instead of RVBC, but that he had not proceeded further when informed of a less than satisfactory standard of work by the alternative contractor. It was agreed that it would be sensible for Brian Kearsley to undertake cutting of the smaller areas, leaving only the Recreation Ground to be cut by RVBC and the Clerk was asked to progress the matter further. It was also suggested that Brian Kearsley be asked to undertake weed killing around the village if possible.

Mary Kirby advised that she had obtained a quotation for replacement Christmas lights and that a 30m length of lights would cost approx £30.00. It was agreed that the lights should be bought and tested for suitability.

It was noted that the SpID had not been taken down and re-charged for some time and that only one resident of the village was now handling the matter. The Clerk explained that Brian Kearsley was willing to help on his days in Gisburn but that insurance requirements meant that he would require assistance in holding the ladder whilst removing and replacing the SpID. It was suggested that a request be placed in the Parish News for volunteers to help with ladder holding and even for volunteers to attend the SpID training course in Preston and the Clerk was asked to draft suitable wording.

Date of Next Meeting

Thursday 21 May 2009

Annual Meeting	7.00 pm
Parish Council Meeting	7.30 pm