

Waddington Parish Council

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Meeting of Waddington Parish Council
The Village Club – on December 10th, 2018

1. Apologies for absence

Present: Coun Doug Parker, Coun Roy Edmondson, Coun Liz Haworth, Coun John Hilton, Coun Gil Fisher, Coun Roy Hampson, County Coun David Smith

Apologies: Coun Michael Colley, Coun Paul Elms (RVBC)

In attendance: Natalie Cox (Clerk to the Parish Council); PCSO Karl Elliott, Harry Backhouse

N.B. Prior to the meeting Coun Ken Hind said in response to the provision of additional bins for dog waste, he had spoken to John Heap at RVBC who said if the parish council lets him know where bins are needed some could be relocated.

2. Minutes of the last meeting to be approved and signed

Decision: LH proposed, and RH seconded that the minutes of the last meeting be approved as sent out.

All were in favour.

Item 4.1 was moved up the agenda

4. Matters arising from the last meeting (not covered elsewhere)

4.1 Police representative re vehicles / parking issues

PCSO Karl Elliott had been invited to attend the meeting to discuss several issues:

- Yellow lines – it was explained that LCC Parking Services enforce the yellow lines; the only way the police become involved is if any unnecessary obstruction is being caused. It was recommended that the parish council contact LCC to say residents have complained about vehicles parking on the yellow lines and to ask for patrols to be carried out in the village to enforce them and send out a strong message – it was suggested that a patrol for 60 to 90 minutes monthly to give out fixed penalty notices would be appropriate; registration numbers of offending vehicles can be noted and photos taken so that the details could be sent to LCC.
- Abandoned vehicles – The notice period used to be 7 days but is now 24-hours; checks on the vehicle's keeper/insurance/MOT status need to be carried out – LCC would then issue a notice period to move the vehicle. The necessary information about vehicles can be gathered by either ringing 101, contacting PCSO Karl Elliott or via the DVLA online.

For any vehicle which is parked in a blatantly dangerous position it was recommended that a call be made to 101.

Action: DS to provide a contact for the LCC Highways/Parking Services Department.

It was agreed to move item 5.2.2 up the agenda to enable public participation.

N.B. JH & GF declared a personal interest in the item and left the meeting before the discussion started.

5.2.2 3/2018/1067 Erection of new building to provide eight-bedroom holiday accommodation in connection with existing wedding venue business at The Outbarn, Clough Bottom, Rabbit Lane, Bashall Eaves, BB7 3JH

HB explained that his business had reached a point where it needs accommodation on-site. Having visitors stay on-site would have a positive effect on traffic as there would be no taxis late at night. HB said he is always being asked if he has got accommodation which results in people booking elsewhere currently due to the lack of accommodation. The new building would be in a Dutch-barn style in keeping with what is already on site. Pods are not being considered as it is felt one building would be more efficient and more in keeping with the surrounding farm and buildings.

When asked if the accommodation would be for holidays, HB replied that its prime purpose would be for wedding use for families to use and not as a hotel.

Decision: The majority of councillors present at this point in the meeting had no objection to the application.

JH and GF returned to the meeting.

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3. Borough Council / County Council Updates

DS said concern was continuing to be expressed about the amount of housing development in the borough with the highways authority offering no objection to the plans; local councillors with knowledge about the areas identified for development are often over ruled and as a result appeals are overturned.

There is a lack of parking spaces for new houses in many instances.

Discussion about potholes continues as rural roads are very often tourist routes; DS said he had received many emails about the state of the county's roads.

4. Matters arising from the last meeting (not covered elsewhere)

4.2 Website

Action: NC to contact White Sands Media and ask for a meeting with NC, LH and RH regarding the new version of the website.

4.3 Bunting

Red, white and blue bunting has been purchased at a cost of £393.11

4.4 Damaged wall

NC reported that Sam Mitton has been instructed to carry out the work as quoted previously.

4.5 Village noticeboards

It was suggested that a village noticeboard be installed near the defibrillator and ask for a key to be kept at the post office to allow people to put posters advertising local events in this noticeboard rather than in the parish council noticeboards.

Decision: LH proposed and RH seconded that the parish council gets quotes for a noticeboard made from recycled plastic.

4.6 Remembrance – wreaths

Councillors discussed what an appropriate length of time to leave the poppy wreaths at the war memorial.

Action: It was agreed that they should be removed by no later than 11/01/19 (i.e. after two months).

Decision: RH proposed, and JH seconded that another 20 of the larger poppies be purchased for lamp posts and that the donation to the British Legion for the wreath be the same as in previous years.

4.7 Playground inspection

Following an email received from RVBC, RH had inspected the play equipment, and all had been fine; all councillors to check the equipment if they are passing.

5. Village maintenance / Allotments / Planning / Traffic

5.1 Allotments

5.1.1 Plot 2

The tenant had visited DP to ask what he needed to do to keep hold of his allotment plot.

Action: It was agreed that DP, RH and NC would meet the tenant on site on 07/01/19 at 11am; a list will be drawn up of the work that needs to be carried out; the tenant will be given until the end of April at which point his agreement will be terminated if all the work has not been carried out to the satisfaction of the parish council, along with the removal of the bags which he leaves elsewhere on the allotment plots.

5.1.2 Tap

Action: JH and RH to install a new padlock.

5.1.3 Allotment meeting minutes

NC reported that the minutes had been sent to the current tenants.

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5.1.4 Response to request to have livestock on plots

Action: It was agreed that any request by email or in writing to have livestock on allotment plot be accepted.

5.2 Planning

5.2.1 3/2018/1011 Change of use of agricultural land to garden to form extension to domestic curtilage, The Coach House, Clitheroe Road, Waddington, BB7 3HQ

The application was withdrawn

5.2.2 3/2018/1067 Erection of new building to provide eight-bedroom holiday accommodation in connection with existing wedding venue business at The Outbarn, Clough Bottom, Rabbit Lane, Bashall Eaves, BB7 3JH

See earlier item

During further discussion about the planning application concern was raised that the new build will be used a holiday let and will result in more vehicles travelling along Cross Lane; however, councillors reported that in the earlier discussion when challenged about whether the premises would be used as a holiday let, that had been denied by the applicant.

5.2.3 3/2018/1052 Non-material amendment to plot 2, 3 & 4 from planning application 3/2018/0344 The Moorcock Inn, Slaidburn Road, Waddington, BB7 3AA

There was no objection.

5.3 Traffic matters

5.3.1 Update from LCC (including blocked drain)

DP had been in contact with Phil Stead from LCC regarding the verge on Waddow View – it is not LCC policy to remove grass verges and encourage drivers to park on the verges. LCC have suggested installing white plastic bollards (like those outside the Almshouses) with a contribution from the parish towards the cost of the installation – DP has replied to ask if larger bollards could be installed instead.

An email had been received from Jean Teunion, District Lead Officer LCC Community Services:

- Loose chipping and ramp signs had been removed from the village – although it was noted that although some signage has been removed from the village some remains on Cross Lane;
- The hedgerow on West Bradford Road will be investigated - it was noted that it is currently not in foliage and therefore the hazard appears currently reduced;
- The TRO for double yellow lines will be advertised in November and therefore should be in place by early 2019;
- Signs on Brungerely Bridge – as this section of Waddington Road has a good safety record, with no injury collisions; it is felt the current signage signifies the most immediate feature that users will encounter from each direction and combined with the road markings are deemed to be appropriate.

It was noted that the problem with the blocked gully has been added to “Report It”.

5.3.2 Letter to Queensway

It was suggested that one way of easing the issue with the parking would be if residents extended their own curtilage for parking.

Action: It was agreed that the letter regarding current parking issues be sent to residents of Queensway and Katy Lane.

5.3.3 Rumble strips on Clitheroe Road

NC had received a copy of a letter from the residents of Waddow Lodge, Clitheroe Road, who had contacted LCC to raise concerns about the removal of the red rumble strips across the main approach road to the village following the resurfacing. LCC had subsequently responded to day that the strips are to be reinstated at a time when it is practical to carry out the work as the material is temperature sensitive.

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6. Parish Questionnaire

Action: A pdf version of the document will be put on the website; 25 copies will be made available via the village post office and a poster advertising this fact will be placed in the parish council noticeboards.

7. BKVC – representation

NC had received an email from Peter Foley, a judge for the county's BKVC and a village resident; he said the competition organisers had considered asking parish councils to appoint a village representative to liaise with the LBKVC secretary regarding topical matters and events. Mr Foley said, having led the clean-up evening, that he would be happy to take on this role. He added that together with his wife they had taken upon themselves the bus shelter and surrounds outside the farm on Clitheroe Road and had replaced a terracotta flower pot which had been smashed and as a result relocated to the opposite side of the road, he had also offered to source and price three replacement barrels.

It was felt generally that the annual clean up should focus on areas in the village such as the war memorial and around the noticeboard at Branch Road rather than outside individual houses and that early weed spraying should be carried out. It was felt that with the agreement of the Coronation Gardens Committee only that feature will be entered in the 2019 competition.

Action: To reply to Mr Foley to explain that the parish council has lost faith in the LBKVC system; to say that the barrels do not need to be replaced at this stage and that there is planned maintenance scheduled for 2019 and that although a clean-up will take in 2019, Waddington will not be entering this year's competition.

Action: NC to send a copy of the BKVC report to Pat Hatherall.

8. SPiD

No update given / to report

9. Accounts

9.1 Expenditure and income updated to 23.11.18 (items over £100)

<u>Expenditure (items over £100)</u>	Clerk's salary	£310.23
	Williamson's Builders	£2314.00

<u>Balance:</u>		£9352.66
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NB for more details about the parish council accounts, please contact the clerk.

10. Correspondence (for information unless otherwise stated)

- 10.1 RVBC
- 10.1.1 Planning & Development 29/11/18
- 10.1.2 Parish Liaison 22/11/18

DP & JH had attended – there had been a talk from Colin Hirst about Neighbourhood Plans which members of the planning committee have to look at.

- 10.2 LCC
- 10.2.1 TRO Clitheroe Road, West Bradford
- 10.2.2 TRO Edisford Road, Clitheroe

11. Items for consideration / Information

- 11.1 Blackburn, Darwen & RV Community
- 11.2 Upkeep of planter

Barbara Harrison had been in contact with RE to say she no longer wanted responsibility for the planter.

Action: GF & LH to ask Cheryl Hook if she would consider taking it on.

- 11.3 Attendance at parish council meetings

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It was noted that councillors are obliged to attend at least one parish council meeting in a six-month period.

Action: RE to have an informal conversation with MC before the next meeting in January 2019.

Action: It was agreed that in this instance the six-month period be extended by agreement to January 2019.

11.4 Christmas tree

The tree which has been supplied is 15ft but as 3ft of the tree ends up in the ground it was felt that an 18ft tree be sourced for 2020 but from the same supplier who had been very reliable.

The meeting closed at 10.20pm

All are very welcome to attend Parish meetings. If you would like to be added to the email distribution list please contact the Clerk, Natalie Cox, at the above address. Thank you.