

# Minutes of the Meeting of Bowes Parish Council

## held at Bowes School on 11th July 2023

The meeting commenced at 7.30

### 1. Present

Cllr Carlisle, Cllr Hughes, Cllr White, Cllr Tipping, Cllr Redfern and Mrs H Overfield.

### 2. Apologies

3.

### Minutes of the Meeting

held Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2023 agreed to be a true record, approved by Cllr Redfern, seconded by Cllr Tipping.

### 4. Matters arising (unless dealt with later in the agenda)

The handrail has now been completed.

Cllr Tipping has had confirmation from Highways that they are trying to keep Clint Bridge

### 4. Finance & Accounts – See summary below

Receipts since last meeting £13.99 interest £108.50 J Blenkiron

Expenses since last meeting £568.54 Zurich Insurance Was £488.03 plus the insurance tax, this year it is £507.62 plus insurance tax, an increase of £19.59.

£270.00 AR Toward grass cutting

| Summary Bowes Parish Accounts & Balance sheet |                               |                | As at 09/07/2023             |                   |
|---|-------------------------------|----------------|------------------------------|-------------------|
| Year to 31st March 2024                       |                               |                |                              |                   |
| Budget  | <b>Income</b>                 |                | <b>Cumulative Total</b>      |                   |
| £ 108.00                                      | Allotments                    | 0.00           | Bank as at 31st March 2023   | £9,925.03         |
| £ 10.00                                       | Bank Interest                 | 40.33          | Income y/e 31st March 2024   | £6,734.83         |
| £ 700.00                                      | Cemetery & Village            | 563.50         | Expenses y/e 31st March 2024 | £-2,155.99        |
| £ -   | Footpaths                     | 0.00           | <b>Total</b>                 | <b>£14,503.87</b> |
| £ -   | General Income                | 36.00          | Represented by               |                   |
| £ 200.00                                      | Grants                        | 100.00         | Nat West a/c - 21543798      | £14,303.87        |
| £ 5,775.00                                    | Precept D.C.C.                | 5775.00        | Nat West a/c - 015102553     | £200.00           |
| £ -   | Playground                    | 0.00           | Uncleared movements          |                   |
| £ -   | Publications                  | 0.00           | <b>Total</b>                 | <b>£14,503.87</b> |
| £ 100.00                                      | Vat Refund                    | 0.00           |                              |                   |
| £ 170.00                                      | West Clint Field              | 220.00         |                              |                   |
| <b>£ 7,063.00</b>                             | <b>Total Income</b>           | <b>6734.83</b> |                              |                   |
|   | <b>Expenses</b>               |                |                              |                   |
| £ 400.00                                      | Allotments                    | 350.00         | Petty Cash                   | £0.00             |
|   | Grant Expenditure             | 0.00           | <b>Total</b>                 | <b>£14,503.87</b> |
| £ 2,000.00                                    | Cemetery & Village            | 46.19          |                              |                   |
| £ 200.00                                      | Footpaths                     | 0.00           |                              |                   |
| £ 500.00                                      | General Expenses              | 476.10         |                              |                   |
| £ 1,400.00                                    | Grass Cutting                 | 540.00         |                              |                   |
| £ 550.00                                      | Insurance                     | 0.00           |                              |                   |
| £ 2,000.00                                    | Clerks salary                 | 523.60         |                              |                   |
| £ 400.00                                      | PAYE                          | 130.80         |                              |                   |
| £ 100.00                                      | Playground                    | 66.72          |                              |                   |
| £ 100.00                                      | VAT                           | 22.58          |                              |                   |
| <b>£ 7,650.00</b>                             | <b>Total Expenses</b>         | <b>2155.99</b> |                              |                   |
| <b>-£ 587.00</b>                              | <b>Actual Surplus/Deficit</b> | <b>4578.84</b> |                              |                   |

Accounts approved by Cllr Redfern, seconded by Cllr Hughes.

## 5 **Planning**

DM23/01350/VOC – Sleightholme Farm – variation of condition 2 for side extension and internal alterations to existing barn – no observations

DM/23/01836/FPA – Quern House – 6 Low Road, - Replacement of front gates, siting of shed, retention of existing pergola and alterations to conservatory roof – The proposed gate is out of proportion to the other gates in the adjacent row. This will introduce an inconsistency in height in the frontages of the row of houses comprising Low Road

DM/23/01643/FPA – 4 Castle Terrace – Construction of flat roof dormer window to rear – no objection

DM/23/00936/FPA – Havelock House garage resubmission – no objection

## 6. **Correspondence**

Claire Haigh from McGarry & Co has asked us to complete the Commercial Property Standard Enquiries to the extent that they are relevant to open land, some of our answers will be “not applicable”. Claire was also enquiring about a Bowes Seal, I have informed her that we do not have one, Claire has said that she will amend the Deed to include 2 signatures instead.

Joanne McCall wrote to us regarding the definitive map modification application to record Sleightholme Moor Road/Track as a restricted byway. Meeting is to be held on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July at 9.30am. If you would like to attend, I will contact Joanne, no later than noon on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July.

## 7 **Cemetery & Village maintenance**

The flower bed near the play park still needs attention. Cllr Hughes will ask a local parishioner at the same fee as the past couple of years.

## 8 **Allotments** –

Richard Wilson, Chairman of the Lords in Trust has been speaking to Cllr Carlisle. Apparently, there is a section of the east wall that may need some attention. The Councillors will assess this at a later date.

## 9 **Play Park**

Cllr Redfern & Carlisle The swing bridge has had a shackle replaced in the centre on the top chain. A paling has been replaced on the north side near the power line post. The knuckle on the bottom of one of the swims will need to be monitored, this was highlighted on the DCC report.

Some parishioners from the Craft group on a Thursday morning have offered to purchase a couple of benches for the play park. The offer will be gratefully accepted.

## 10 **Parish Paths**

Some footpath arrows have appeared on some of our paths, we are unaware of their source.

Clerk to write to Highways. It has been observed that the public footpath between Swineholme and the Greta river bridge has been fenced in both sides, and is now a cattle grazing area. In view of the recent issues between cattle and walkers, we feel that we should bring this to your attention.

## 11 **AOB**

VMS has now been removed from the west bound lane approaching the snow gates on the A66.

The hedge at the bottom of the village needs cutting as it is over the public path on the roundabout obscuring the sign. Clerk to contact the owner.

Street ligh no 47 has not been working, Cllr Tipping reported this. It was repaired, and lasted about 3 days, but was on for 24 hours. It is now broken again, Cllr Redfern will report it again.

Meeting closed at 20.50 It was felt the above would have a positive effect.