

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BILLINGTON AND LANGHO PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> AUGUST 2016 AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE, LANGHO.**

**PRESENT**

Parish councillors Brian Haworth, Martin Hincks, Frank Havard, Heather McCarthy, John Aspden and Councillor Alan Schofield. Two members of the public attended.

**ITEM 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were apologies for absence from John Green, Tony Austin and Michael Collins.

**ITEM 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

- a) Register of Interests – Councillors were reminded of the need to update their register of interests.
- b) No members disclosed any personal or prejudicial interests in any matter to be discussed at the meeting.

**ITEM 3 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 27<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2016**

Minutes of the meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> June 2016 were signed as a true record.

**ITEM 4 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Two members of the public attended the meeting representing Langho in Bloom and gave a report on their recent work.

**ITEM 5 PLAYGROUNDS**

The Annual report from Playsafety has been received. The report was passed to Councillors Haworth and Hincks who will meet at the playgrounds and look at the outstanding work that has been suggested.

**ITEM 6 ACCOUNTS**

It was resolved to approve the following accounts for payment,

C Walton Lengthsman	£276.29
Nurture Landscapes	£674.00
Tracey McCarney Clerks Salary	£416.66
Playsafety Limited	£205.80
AON Insurance	£1531.18
LALC	£568.51
Longsight Nurseries	£3048

The August expenditure was circulated.

**ITEM 7      PLANNING**

There were no planning applications that needed discussing.

**ITEM 8      HIGHWAYS**

There were several highways issues raised,

1. The hedges and verges around the parish don't seem to have been cut recently.
2. Councillor Schofield has contacted LCC regarding the drains on Northcote Road.

**ITEM 9      OFFICERS REPORTS**

The clerk's resignation was discussed. The replacement for this position was discussed and the clerk reported that the current internal auditor had expressed an interest in the post. All present felt it would be beneficial to look seriously at this and that the chance of appointing someone with experience was attractive. There was concern that the council may need to advertise the position and the clerk was asked to check the legal position before we take any further action.

**ITEM 10      CORRESPONDANCE**

1. RVBC Minutes of the Planning Committee.

**DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS**

The next meeting will be held on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2016

The meeting closed at 8.45pm

Chairman \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_