

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BILLINGTON AND LANGHO PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY, JUNE 25th 2018 AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE, LANGHO.

PRESENT

Parish councillors – Brian Haworth, Martin Hincks (Chair), Tony Austin, Frank Havard, John Aspden.

In attendance: 3 residents of Highwoods Park

ITEM 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were apologies for absence from Heather McCarthy 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 ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held on 28th May 2018 were accepted as a true record.

ITEM 4 PLAYGROUNDS

- 4.1 Willow Tree, an email was received regarding the willow tree at the park.
- 4.2 The Rospa inspection of both parks was agreed for August 2018
- 4.3 The report for cleaning works needed in the parks has been accepted and a quote for the works requested.
- 4.4 The clerk is to write to Dilys Day at RVBC regarding works undertaken at the park in 2017, and request a site visit.
- 4.5 Hedge cutting, the clerk to write and get quotes for the work that is required in August to cut the hedge back to just over the height of the railway fence behind.

ITEM 5 ACCOUNTS

It was resolved to approve the following accounts for payment,

Expenditure

Came and Company Insurance for the Parish Council	Cheque 202103	£1245.90
RVBC grass cutting	Chq 202104	£1709.05
HMRC	Chq 202105	£90.00
R Greenwood Clerk	Chq 202106	£360.00
Post Office	Chq 202107	£13.92

Nurture	Chq 202108	£122.80
Harrisons Engineering	Chq 202109	£1800.00

ITEM 6 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

6.1 Planning application 3/2015/0880, three residents of Highwoods Park attended the meeting to express their dissatisfaction with RVBC planning. The residents have submitted a formal complaint regarding the application:-

1. the residents of Highwoods Park and landowners up to the perimeter were not consulted.
2. the position of the site notice was in a position only accessible at the entrance to the site.
3. the noise and visual impact of the park, to include the nearby home resale value.
4. the details of the proposed landscaping scheme, were missing from RVBC's website.
5. the landscaping scheme was to be implemented prior to the commencement of the development.
6. the reorientation and elevation of plots within the park.

ITEM 7 PLANNING

3/2018/0410	17 The Woodlands Brockhall Village Old Langho BB6 8BH	Two storey extension to rear.	No objections
3/2018/0496	33 Dale View Billington BB7 9LL	Single storey extension to rear.	No objections
3/2018/0506	Ribble Valley View Old Langho Road Langho BB6 8AW	Change of use of agricultural land to allow extension to lodge park and the erection of an additional 15 lodges.	Objections raised
3/2018/0514	32 Pendle View Brockhall Village Old Langho BB6 8AT	Crown raise by 4m and 15% trim to Oak (T1) and Horse Chestnut (T2)	No objections
3/2018/0533	The Avenue Hotel Gleneagles Drive Brockhall Village Old Langho BB6 8AY	Single storey extension to bar and dining area.	No objections
3/2018/0554	29, Brayll Court, Old Langho.	Crown reduce T1 (Scots Pine) and removal of tree T2 (Scots Pine).	No objections

Objections to 3/2018/0506. This is a re-submission of 3/2015/0880 to which the Parish Council submitted objections. The Parish Council objects to this application for the following reasons:-

1. Concern for local infrastructure.
2. Unauthorised elevation of site,
3. Creep development
4. Access to and from the site
5. Height of the elevations and the detriment to the adjoining properties.
6. The topsoil and other materials that have exceeded the site boundaries
7. The noise from the site as landscaping requirements have not been adhered to.

The Parish Council are requesting that RVBC take this application back to the Planning Committee, given the amount of public objection to the proposal.

ITEM 8 HIGHWAYS

- 8.2 The clerk is to contact Wilpshire Parish Council to request a joint initiative for reducing speeding on Langho Old Road. This will be for both Parish Councils to request a 30mph speeding limit along the length of this road. Currently it is 30mph as it leaves Wilpshire, then 40mph reducing back to 30mph as the road enters Langho.
- 8.3 Cllr Alan Schofield sent an email regarding ongoing issues with pot holes in Billington.
- 8.4 Concerns were raised about a 9 inch deep pothole on Moor Lane, this has had paint around it since winter indicating that it is scheduled for repair. The clerk to write to LCC regarding this.
- 8.5 Two letters have been received regarding the footpath at The Nab. The Parish Council will inspect this footpath and the complaint about the stone stile and the newly planted trees.
- 8.6 LCC have a new method of reporting any work that has been undertaken on footpaths, this is prowreports@lancashire.gov.uk reports of overgrown footpaths or other problems on public rights of way can be reported here.

ITEM 9 OFFICERS REPORTS - Parish Council Liaison Committee (21/3/18)

- 9.1 David Peat from Simonstone was re-elected Chairman, RVBC Doreen Taylor as Vice.
- 9.2 Review of Dog Initiative. Helen Barton (head of environmental services) agreed that all rubbish bins could now take dog waste bags. 2 dog wardens are on normal contracts, but by arrangement can attend at any time. Fixed penalty notices are issues now £100.
- 9.3 Chief Inspector Murtza and Inspector Winter from Lancs/ Police attended. There have been some manpower reductions, but none in local RV policing. 101 call centre has extra operators. Better protection for vulnerable people and developing tracking systems for recorded crimes. They have closed Clitheroe front desk, because were only an average of 10 callers per day. RV has 2 sergeants, 15 officers in 3 teams and 9 PCSO's
Recent projects have included drug searches in pubs (8 offenders caught), guns in rural areas, and containing anti social behaviour in Longridge. RVBC Robinson complained that PCSOs could not pick up cannabit users. Barrow were unhappy about drug-dealing in industrial area. Others mention dead cow in the road, lack of detailed local crime statistic, less neighbourhood watch activity.
- 9.4 WW1 Centenary. RVBC White was still collecting details of events. So far, he had some news from Slaidburn, Bolton-by-Bowland, West Bradford (new war memorial), Hothersall, Whalley (fund-raising and heritage walk). Longridge School were organising a massive event using 900 children. Clitheroe Castle to be lit for a week. Was suggested that an events summary would e issued at some stage.
- 9.5 A59 Roundabout to Sabden. Work would commence early July. A59 would be kept open throughout, nut several right-turns onto the A59 closed. Dislocation forecast for 6 months (some delays already at new development on road out of Clitheroe centre).

ITEM 10 CORRESPONDANCE

- 1. S. Leonards Vicarge, request for financial support.
- 2. Ribble Valley Citizens Advice Bureau, acknowledgment of grant.
- 3. LCC Public Rights of Way letter.
- 4. FP43 via email and Cllr Alan Schofield
- 5. Bank Stat number 324 Cooperative Bank
- 6. Launch of Children and Family Wellbeing Service

7. RVBC meeting agenda
8. Email re Willow Tree
9. Rospa – terms and conditions

ITEM 11 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

ITEM 12 TRANSPARENCY FUNDING

If anyone has any photographs of the local area that they could share on the website, please contact a member of the Parish Council.

The website can be found at <http://www.billingtonlanghopc.org/>

DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

- Monday 21st August 2018 at 7.30pm
- Monday 24th September 2018 at 7.30pm
- Monday 29th October 2018 at 7.30pm
- Monday 26th November 2018 at 7.30pm