

Bampton Parish Council – Draft Minutes

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 16th March 2021 virtually at 7:30pm.

Present: I Tuer (In the Chair), R Shave, P Salway, C Lacey, N Hughes,

Apologies: R Bruin, M Dyke, L Harker (EDC)

In Attendance: C Bell – Locum Clerk,

173. MINUTES The minutes of the meeting held via ZOOM on Monday 19th January 2020 were approved as a correct record.

174. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST None received

175. PUBLIC OPEN FORUM

- A Yates spoke on Bampton Rec Ground and expanded on its history. He gave a broader understanding to the councillors and highlighted the fact that there is a steering group in place to regenerate the field but that Covid has delayed progress, also running costs such as cutting and insurance. N Hughes proposes to give them another year to be able to regenerate. N Hughes proposes to cover insurance invoice of £188.52. C Lacey seconded. All voted in favour. A Yates to provide feedback in autumn.

176. REPORTS

- N Hughes from CCC: Shap road closure not happened yet and would expect a new notice before work starts.
- Riverside footpath landslide – been temporarily mended.
- C Lacey reports that S Hankin from LDNP fixed hole but didn't anticipate the size of it and will come back with team for more permanent fix and to work alongside Eden Rivers Trust.
- I Tuer, proposes to plant trees received on Sunday afternoon – voted all in favour. Thanks to A&R Landscapes for the donation of trees.
- C Lacey reports on feedback from Bampton Community Letter whom requests another £100 to take newsletter to Easter and that they would like to extend newsletter bi-monthly for future. N Hughes states that they

should put in a formal request for funding for next agenda or for finance sub committee to approve before next meeting. This can be done sooner if a sub meeting is held. Regarding the extension of newsletter post Easter – the councillors feel that it would compete with parish newsletter and might lack content over a long period.

177. FINANCE

(i) ORDERS FOR PAYMENTS – RESOLVED TO PAY

1. Clerk Salary (20 hours p/m @ £11 p/h +£18 p/m clerk expense)	£ 476.00
2. PFK, Play area. Exors J Stacey 1987 A&M Settlement	£ 15.00
3. A Milne, Grass cutting and strimming	£ 880.00
4. Bampton Rec Field Insurance	£ 188.52

Total	£ 1559.52

(ii) The Clerk requests to obtain ‘Scribe’ specialist council software for accounts. It reduces human error, saves time, very transparent as read only councillor access and helps with AGAR and year-end preparation. All in favour to start 1st April 2021 for an annual cost of £144 plus VAT. Cllr Tuer suggest that Cllr Dyke should approve before we commit. Awaiting Cllr Dyke’s response.

(iii) The clerk announces her retirement from Bampton PC and that she will train new clerk before stepping down. If anyone local is interested in the role please contact the clerk at lakesclerk@icloud.com or 07747587635. The role is for 20 hours per month. You should ideally have a background in finance and knowledge of local government. The job is very flexible (work from home) with bi-annual meetings in the evenings. Should have own computer and printer. Training will be provided.

The clerk states that Natwest has compensated BPC with £217 for bad customer service.

178. UPDATES ON MATTERS

- Footway Lights – RESOLVED
- Highways issues: Knipe road potholes. Please report any potholes on <https://www.cumbria.gov.uk/roads-transport/highways-pavements/reporting-problem-on-highway/wdm/carriageway.asp?cg=CDH>
- Or email: highways@cumbria.gov.uk
- Leaking Noticeboard – Deferred
- Renewal of grass cutting contract – Deferred

179. Planning

1. 7/2021/3013 at The Old Chapel, Bampton, Penrith, CA10 2RH. Replacement timber store, raised deck and balustrade. One replacement and five new roof lights

BPC: No Objections

2. 7/2021/3016 at Brookside, Helton, Penrith, CA10 2QB. Proposed alteration and extension of dwelling and renovation of former greenhouse to form garage

BPC: No Objection

3. 7/2021/3030 at Bampton Hall, Bampton, Penrith, CA10 2RQ. Conversion of garage to form an annexe to main dwelling and change of use of land to form garden following the withdrawal of planning application 7/2020/3150

BPC: No Objection

180. Next meeting 11th May 2021 AGM and Parish Meeting at 19:00

MEETING CLOSED AT 20:49