

Minutes of the meeting of Great Ponton Parish Council held on 20th November

2017 at Great Ponton Village Hall.

Present: Cllrs E.Booth (Chairman), P.Jackson, G.Taylor, R.Taylor, D.Booth.

Two members of public.

Chairman's welcome.

- a. Cllr Eileen Booth (Chairman) welcomed everyone.

Public forum.

1. Apologies.

- a. Apologies of absence had been received from Cllr Adam who may attend late.

2. Declarations of Interest.

- a. None made.

3. Notes of the minutes from the previous meeting held on 4th September 2017 to be approved as a true copy of the minutes. Proposed that these be accepted by Cllr R.Taylor and seconded by Cllr P.Jackson. **All AGREED.**

4. Matters arising from the minutes.

- a. Highways matters.

It was noted that parts of the A1 have been closed at night for resurfacing.

Works had commenced beneath the railway bridge with traffic lights in place.

A 'big clean-up' had taken place throughout the village.

The church wall had been cleaned alongside the footpath making the path easier to use. Also the church had ordered new stone chippings for the car park.

- b. Community Speed watch.

- It was reported that the vehicle counts were 24002 and 55mph max speed and the average speed is 26mph.c.

Boundary and Village centre.

- A reminder that the boundary of Parish Council land still runs down a residents garden

5. Village Centre report.

- The new Chairman is Justine Pierce.
- Installation of new hand driers now completed.
- The cleaner unit had now arrived.
- OAP party set for 15th December and raffle tickets had been on sale.
- Children's Christmas party is planned but help from parents is required.
- A 'Card Machine' has been obtained, making it easier to now take payments by card.

6. Community Playing Field.

- a. ▪Nothing to report from the Playing Field.
- b. **Football Club.**
 - It was agreed to invite both the Chairman and Vice-Chairman to the next meeting to discuss the financial situation of the football club.
- c. **Caravan & Camping Club.**
 - The annual inspection had been completed by the Caravan Club.
 - The electricity report had now been completed and copy of which had been sent to the Caravan Club.
 - The padlock had been forcibly cut off the gate.
 - Two major rally's had been booked for 2018

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7. Financial matters.

- a. ▪ The financial report was read out and accepted by all.
 - The sum of **£2144.27** was agreed to be paid.
 - The Melton account stood at £5583.62 Benchmarked for new changing rooms at on playing field.
 - The playing field account stood at £744.81

8. Brown's Trust.

- a. ▪The Browns Trust stood at £291. The Christmas payout equated to £50 per person and 6 villagers was to receive this by cheque. (The December interest when added, would have taken the total amount to over £300 to allow 6x£50).

9. Planning matters.

- a. ▪There was no planning applications received.

10. Correspondence.

- a. ▪A list of general correspondence was made available extra to that mentioned during the meeting.

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11. Councillors reports & items for inclusion at the next meeting.

- a. None

12. Date of the next meeting.

- a. **The date agreed for the next meeting was agreed for 15th January 2018 at 7pm at the Village Hall.**

13. No 'closed session' was on the agenda.

Meeting closed at 8.30pm