

Minutes

Aughton, Bailey and Chaigley Parish Council

Parish Council Meeting 25th November 2024 7:00 pm

1	Apologies Chris Berry, Christine Holden, Jan Alcock Present Margaret Carrington (Chair) Lynne Hepworth, Simon Bailey, Isaac Nutter, David Bland, Des Harwood, Julie Chang (Clerk)
2	Minutes: Minutes of the last meeting were proposed by LH and Seconded by IN. Accepted
3	Matters Arising from minutes. none
4	Matters raised by attending public. – Three members of the public were in attendance, C Harris, G Knight and N McFarlane. CH spoke in support of agenda item 5e, Parkplay. RVBC would like to support the development of parkplay at 5 sites in the area. The concept is one of intergenerational activities. The scheme provides a play supervisor/ co – ordinator but attending children must be accompanied by a responsible adult. The plan would be to start activities on a Saturday morning. A leader and 3 or 4 volunteers would be needed. Parkplay would do the DBS checks. Some concern was raised that the children who needed it most were most likely to be excluded because of the need for a responsible adult to attend. However the PC was in support of this and agreed for the Bayley filed to be used for this purpose, and the Village hall could be used, through booking when available, for wet day activities GK – interested in notice regarding bayley arms
5	Correspondence – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. 24/10 the LALC Ribble Valley area members will take place on 21st November 2024 at 6:30pm at Read and Simonstone Village Hall, East View, Read – noted b. 2/11/24 traffic concerns chaigley -clerk advised to submit these to LCC police speed concern forum in the first instance. https://lancsroadsafety.co.uk/submit-concern/ Add speed concerns to next agenda c. 4/11/24 peter bell Highways (via Simon) – LCC informed about parking issues d. 5/11/24 copy of correspondence between star breweries and local resident- noted e. 6/11/24 email re park play -discussed as above f. 9/11/24 email from Langho and Billington clerk re development of 300 houses planned across the valley -noted g. 10/11/24 Callum re extra grass cut – additional cut approved h. 13/11/24 lunch club Christmas grant -£250 awarded by RVBC to coffee stop for Christmas lunch to be provided at the village memorial hall on Wednesday 11th December at 12:00 noon. Everyone welcome. Please contact Mr and Mrs Jaques so that we can plan numbers. i. 14/11/24 Government Consultant on Remote Meetings & Proxy Voting - noted j. 18/11/24 Invitation to webinar on lithium battery safety (11th December) - noted k. 21/11/24 Survey on food waste RVBC - circulated l. 22/11.24 Notice of sale of Bayley arms Due to the PC obtaining an ACV, if community interest group wishes to bid for the Bayley Arms then an embargo on the sale of the pub can be applied to allow time for a bid to be put together. RVBC needs to be informed by 3rd of January of the intention to place a bid under the ACV. The parish council does not wish to take on the responsibility for running the pub, however we anticipate that there may be people interested in developing a separate committee to investigate and possibly take this forwards. To disseminate useful information and facilitate the formation of a group to take this forwards, a village

	meeting has been arranged for Monday evening 9 th December at the Memorial Hall at 7pm, with a guest speaker who has experience in setting up a community pub. Dave Hollings from The Dog Inn at Belthorn. Everyone welcome.
6	<p>a. Finance – £16032.43 at 4.11.24</p> <p>b. Cheques: insurance £1101.96, rvbc £47.67, car park £44,556.00, Cardinus invoice £168, Insurance outstanding £50, Traffic management £980.40, Paint for little library 19.90</p> <p>c. Direct debit: website £36.96</p> <p>d. Income: £793.00 concurrent grant</p> <p>e. Finance subcommittee report – forgot to include the potential costs of CCTV clerk to amend.</p> <p>f. Electronic Banking: - In progress</p> <p>g. Precept application. Following finance committee recommendations, the parish council agreed to set this years precept at £11,500. We still charge less than comparable sized parish councils, e.g Waddington who collect £22,905.00 through their precept, and we have increased expenditures in terms of the increase in our insurance premium, and to bring the clerks salary in line with national guidelines (aiming to raise to £3k p/a by 2026)</p>
7	<p>Planning applications:</p> <p>3/2024/0854 3 Bailey Green Cottages, Longridge Road, Hurst Green BB7 9QP by 15/11</p> <p>3/2024/0696, Sandrock Avenue Road Hurst Green BB7 9QB by 22/11</p> <p>3/2024/0868, 10 The Dene Hurst Green BB7 9QF</p> <p>3/2024/0849, Stonyhurst College Avenue Road Hurst Green BB7 9PZ by 10/12</p> <p>No objections raised to any of the above.</p>
8	<p>Forward Plan :</p> <p>8a) Memorial hall car park: New signs being arranged.</p> <p>8b) Playground – To repair all the cracks in the soft pour we were quoted £6k by Kompan, and this does not give any guarantee. The main trip hazard which was at the gate, has been solved by the carpark tarmac being joined up with the playground, so no urgency. Clerk to get a second quote.</p> <p>8c) Best Kept Village competition – feedback has been received and circulated. The team is happy to go ahead and enter again next year. We felt that the judges didn't share the eco/wildlife agenda, with reference to the churchyard at St Johns which has an eco-award. Clerk to get more information around non- specified 'other areas' mentioned in the feedback.</p>
9	<p>Review of risk assessments. Noticeboard needs re -staining. DH kindly agreed to do this. Also we need to buy a set of new, matching flower tubs for the area around the Boer War memorial, in the spring.</p>
10	<p>Website – photographs almost complete</p>
11	<p>Remembrance Sunday – Councillors have again received some complaints about the whole service not being held at the cenotaph. Safety risks were discussed, and the option of trying it. This can be discussed further at the remembrance parade planning meeting, the next of which is likely to be in March 2025</p>
12	<p>Bayley Field –The presence of some flagstones on the field has made maintenance with a tractor impossible. Clerk has asked the gardener Callum to include the area when strimming.</p>
13	<p>Traffic/Parking/road safety – as per correspondance</p>
14	<p>Feedback from LALC meeting (Simon) There were presentations and opportunities to make contact with people leading on highways, safety, streetworks etc and talks on the planned devolution.</p>

15	Footpaths – repairs on Smithy Row Thank you to SB and DH have repaired the pathway with gravel and it is much improved.
16	Any other business No Parish council meeting in December 2025: Monday 20th January, Monday 17th February, Monday 17th March