

Minutes of the meeting of Aughton, Bailey and Chaigley Parish Council Monday 17th October 2022

Held in the Memorial Hall.

Present: Simon Bailey, Christopher Berry, Christine Holden, David Bland, Roger Wilkinson.

Clerk: Nancy Bailey.

Also present Councillor Jan Alcock

In the absence of the Chair the meeting was Chaired by Christopher Berry.

1. **Apologies**-Margaret Carrington
2. **Minutes of the last meeting – September 2022** Were accepted as a true record. Proposed by Simon Bailey seconded by Christine Holden and signed by the Vice- Chair as a true record.
3. **Matters arising from the minutes** – None which will not be discussed as agenda items.
4. **Correspondence:** a) Exploring Nature- Two webinars are offered, Tuesday 26th October 1-2pm for those interested in cultivating a wildflower patch and Wednesday 27th 2-4pm for information about applying for grants for nature projects. Anyone interested contact Clerk or use the links provided. **Simon Bailey expressed an interest. Clerk interested in Wild Flower webinar.** B) Chipping Road Safety meeting was attended by Christine Holden. There was a focus on Prevention of accidents and speeding. There are spids and cameras now available to borrow from Ribble Valley at a cost of £120 per week or £300 for three weeks. C) There is a Ribble Valley Parish Council Liaison meeting on 10th November , **6.30pm- Roger agreed to attend.** d) Lancashire Sport and Culture Fund are a grant making body there is a webinar on 15th November at 10am if anyone wants to know more about this.
5. **Finance-** a) The accounts for September were circulated and a forecast to the end of the financial year. Because of the 106 money we need to keep over £5000 in our account as we will have to pay out the VAT of £5000 and then claim it back. This will be tight with a present forecasted cushion of about £800. We may be able to ask the Memorial Hall for an advanced payment towards their insurance if we need money to plug the gap. b) Cheque for £310, grass cutting was issued.
6. **Commuted Sum/ Section 106 Monies-** The order for the new climbing frame has been placed. We have tried to delay the order and erection so that the Precept for next year may come in before we need to pay.
7. **Memorial Hall-** Work is on going in the Jubilee room and the electrics are still not completed.
8. **Plans:** no formal objections to any of the current plans were made.
9. **Platinum Jubilee-** Des was not at the meeting so we are not sure of any progress made. **Des Harwood to liaise with Peter Holden on siting the table.**
10. **Remembrance Day-** A planning meeting has been held and arrangements put in place however there has now been some objections to some arrangements by the head of Music at Stonyhurst and so a further meeting is to be held to try to resolve these issues. David Bland has written a risk assessment which was examined and approved by the Parish council. More Marshals in Hi-viz vests are required **Simon Bailey**

agreed to help with Marshalling and Possibly Christopher Berry. If needed Clerk will request volunteers on the village Facebook page.

- 11. Centotaph-** The Councillors wish to formally express their thanks and admiration to Chris Holden for his work on the cenotaph which has looked lovely this year. **Clerk to send letter of thanks.**
- 12. HMRC-** The issue of the £100 fine is still not resolved though our entry on the HMRC website is all showing the correct procedures. Clerk was issued with a payslip.
- 13. Footpaths- Stonyhurst Golf Club-** Margaret Carrington has sent a letter to the bursar at Stonyhurst requesting that a gate replace the stile.
- 14. Defibrillator-** a) The defib at Hodder Court needs new pads at a cost of £55. The Parish Council approved this purchase and thanked Terry Longden for his work in overseeing the Defib. b) First Aid Course- Catriona Harris is looking into organising a first aid course for villagers at the Memorial Hall, Clerk is liaising with her on this matter.
- 15. Water Supply-** There have been emails from Nigel Evans office and Simon Chadwick at United Utilities. Simon Chadwick has agreed to keep Nigel Evans updated with progress on this issue.
- 16. Playground-** Has been inspected by Chris as he does each month. The situation with the wall was discussed after David Bland left as he has a non-financial conflict of interest. Due to our financial situation it was agreed to leave the wall repair until next spring, however the two quotes we have had are for different solutions and the Parish Council needs to decide how it wants the wall repaired or replaced so that quotes can be compared like for like.
- 17. Appointment of New Councillor-** The notice of a casual vacancy has been displayed and Ribble Valley notified. After 26th October we can co-opt a councillor.
- 18. Any other business- Spid-** This piece of equipment is unfortunately unrepairable.
- 19. Date of Next Meeting- Monday 21st November 2022**