

Minutes of Parish Councils' Liaison Committee

Meeting Date: Thursday, 30 January 2020, starting at 6.30pm
Present: M Highton (Chairman)

Councillors:

A Brown	D Peat
B Buller	G Scott
B Hilton	R Sherras
B Holden	R Thompson
S Hore	N Walsh
G Mirfin	

Parish Representatives:

K Barker	Balderstone
E Twist	Bolton-By-Bowland, Gisburn Forest and Sawley
C Davies	Bowland with Leagram
B Green	Chipping
D Walmsley	Chipping
E Pickup	Clayton-le-Dale
R Assheton	Downham
K Hutton	Grindleton
M Gee	Hothersall
H Gee	Longridge Town Council
P Ainsworth	Osbaldeston
D Groves	Ribchester
T Perry	Rimington
P Vickers	Sabden
P Boyes	Salisbury
R Hirst	Simonstone
P Brown	Whalley
J Bremner	Wilpshire
A Scholfield	Wiswell

In attendance: Chief Executive and Head of Regeneration and Housing.

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APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence from the meeting were submitted on behalf of Borough Councillors L Edge and J Schumann, and from the following Parish Representatives:

D Bland	Aighton, Bailey & Chaigley
R Carr	Bowland Forest (Higher)
Alan Schofield	Clayton-le-Dale
P Rigby	County
S Rosthorn	Paythorne and Newsholme
J Brown	Whalley

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MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 21 November 2019 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

570 DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interest.

571 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

572 ROTARY TREE CHALLENGE – VERBAL PRESENTATION BY DAVID BERRYMAN ON BEHALF OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF CLITHEROE

The Chairman welcomed Em Lloyd-Davis of the Rotary Club of Clitheroe who presented on the Rotary Tree Challenge. The presentation gave an overview of the challenge and asked Parish Representatives to explore land where trees might be planted, particularly community owned land. Representatives were informed that suitable sites could be reported to Borough Councillor Berryman. Committee discussed various aspects of the presentation and raised several queries.

The Chairman thanked Mr Lloyd-Davis for attending the meeting.

573 HERITAGE OPEN DAYS – VERBAL PRESENTATION BY MAUREEN FENTON

A presentation on Heritage Open Days was given by Ms Maureen Fenton and Mrs Ruth Thompson, coordinators for Heritage Open Days in the Ribble Valley. They updated committee on the successes of the previous year's events with particular reference to benefits to the local economy. This year's theme is Hidden Nature and it was noted that this was particularly relevant for the Ribble Valley. The presenters detailed some potential options for events that could be run this year and noted that the programme of events is due to go live on the Heritage Open Day website in July.

The Chairman thanked Mrs Fenton and Mrs Thompson for attending the meeting.

574 PUBLIC HEALTH – CONCERNS REGARDING SUBSTANCE MISUSE IN THE RIBBLE VALLEY

The Head of Regeneration and Housing gave a verbal report on issues around Public Health in the Ribble Valley and issues around drug use and anti-social behaviour. Representatives were informed of initiatives involving community groups and a member briefing for Borough Councillors on these issues due in February.

Representatives were requested to send any information they have on these issues to the Head of Regeneration and Housing to ensure a full picture is known to the Council.

575 UPDATE FROM PENDLE HILL PARTNERSHIP

Representatives were shown a video presentation on the ongoing work of the Pendle Hill

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MATTERS BROUGHT FORWARD BY PARISH COUNCILS

- a) Wiswell Parish Council – Update on experience using Lancashire County Council’s ‘Report IT’ system. Alan Scholfield, Parish Councillor for Wiswell, updated representatives on experiences in using the County Council’s Report IT system. Issues with potholes, signage and road markings were identified though the experience with lighting had been better. Representatives were encouraged to continue reporting any faults or issues to ensure a full picture of outstanding problems was presented to the County Council.

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REPORT FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES

Councillor R Sherras, Armed Forces Champion, updated Representatives on plans to commemorate VE and VJ Day and requested that any events known to Parishes be reported to him. A note with details on this request will be circulated.

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DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The Chairman reported that the next meeting would be at 2 April 2020

The meeting closed at 7.48pm.

If you have any queries on these minutes please contact Marshal Scott (414400).