WILPSHIRE PARISH COUNCIL

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1 November 2016

Dear Councillor

You are invited to attend the next meeting of the Parish Council which will be held on Wednesday 9 November 2016 at 7.30pm in the Snooker Room, Wilpshire Methodist Church, Ribchester Road, Wilpshire.

The agenda is set out below.

L Lund

Clerk

15 minutes public participation

AGENDA

1. Apologies for absence

Cllr C Ward

1. Approval of the minutes of the meeting held on 5 October 2016
2. Updates from previous minutes

Min 4430 Consultation RVBC Development Plan - Response sent to RVBC as per the last meeting

Min 4436 Footpath from Vicarage Lane to the Rhydings – any update from LCC?

Min 4437 Hollowhead Lane – the water leak has been sorted out.

Min 4418 – Footpath notice board – no reply to the Council’s letter re putting the board on the side of Wilpshire Hotel

Min 4431 – Boundary Commission electoral review – Cllr Bibby asked to attend the meeting to discuss the proposals with the Council

Min 4435 – Clerk went and visited Mrs Rawlinson to explain re the misunderstanding concerning directional signs to the play area. Whilst there trees at the bottom of the garden/play area boundary were discussed. Item on this agenda.

1. Accounts for approval

L Lund November Salary £443.23 – tax 88.64 = 354.59

C Walton [September 2016] £270.00 inv C0003044

Wreath for armistice day - £30.00 – J Ormerod

£3000 parish grant has been received

Balances as at 30/1/16 - Bank £6795.37 [including parish grant]

 Building Society £16244.37

5 Payphone Removal – letter received from RVBC who has received a notification from BT regarding consultation on their current programme of proposed public payphone removals with the Borough – in respect of Wilpshire are:

 JNC Sunnyside Avenue

 PCO Church View listed as Wilpshire but is Salesbury

There are three possibilities to consider:

1. That the Community adopts the kiosk and loses the phone service. BT offers the opportunity for Parish Councils and registered charities to adopt a kiosk for just £1, thereby protecting the heritage of the community.
2. No objection to its removal
3. Objection to its removal and a statement specifying the reasons for the objection.

For information BT has provided some examples of factors that may be relevant:

* If there is predominantly privately rented or council housing in the area
* There may be concerns about access to telephone services in areas with particularly low population densities
* The payphone may be sited in an area of particularly poor mobile phone coverage
* There may be a higher than average need to access emergency services, including breakdown services, due to specific local factors for example, the call box is near a known accident black-spot.

Comments to:

planning@ribblevalley.gov.uk by Wednesday 30 November 2016

 6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS SINCE THE LAST MEETING

None at time of agenda preparation

7. Request for help with the cost of Microsoft application and broadband/internet provision - Clerk

8. Boundary Commission proposed changes –

1. Letter received from Chief Executive RVBC - The Boundary Commission have been asked to carry out a parliamentary review of England. In respect of proposals for Ribble Valley part is in Clitheroe and Colne and part is in North Lancashire. The reason for writing is twofold to make the parish council aware of the proposals and also to let the council know of RVBC’s initial response.
2. Letter received from Nigel Evans MP – previously circulated to Cllrs and making the Council aware of the proposals, together with a note of how to respond and maps showing the proposed areas as referred to by the Boundary Commission.

9. Little Snodworth Path – Cllr Gaffney

10. Wilpshire Boundary Sign – at the reservoir Parsonage Road – Cllr Gaffney

 11. Meetings attended by Councillors

 PCLC – Cllr Bremner

12. Items for the website

13. Signs DRPA – Cllr Gaffney circulated photographs of signs at Billington and Whalley Play areas to councillors - Cllr Bremner/Cllr Gaffney

14. Carr Hall lighting – Cllr Bremner

15. Correspondence – none at time of agenda preparation

16. Remembrance Sunday – Cllr Julie Foote to represent the Parish Council and lay the wreath

17. Trees DRPA – when visiting Mrs Rawlinson she showed me the trees from the play area which were overshadowing her garden. In particular a large tree at the corner of the plot. I spoke with the tree officer at RVBC who suggested that it would be advisable to have the treestock . An arboricultural report containing a tree risk assessment outlining the location, species, age, height canopy spread defects, targets, probability of failure and management plan on any tree with a diameter at Breast height above 150mm. The targets areas will be quite high as they consist of either Play areas, Gardens and Property. Once these have been carried out the results/POB might be so low that no management is required, but if a tree failure was to occur [tree failure due to adverse weather conditions] the Parish Council would have shown due diligence.

 18. Concurrent Function Grant [RVBC] 15/16 –

The concurrent function grant is a grant up to a maximum of 25% of expenditure on eligible concurrent functions: burial grounds, bus shelters, footpaths, footway lighting, litter collection, dog waste bins, parks and play areas. The scheme will not cover capital items or big one off schemes.

I have included in our grant: The two footpath improvement schemes done during the 15/16 financial year £4800 [may or may not be eligible but they are improvements and concurrent], the lengthsmans fees £2967, work to the play area - £1477. 25% claimed back is £2310.00 [ with the footpath scheme included and £1110.00 if it isn’t]

19. PRECEPT – would councillors like a working group to discuss this in order to present proposals to the next meeting?

 20. Any Other Business

 21. Next meeting – 14 December 2016