

Bilsdale Midcable Parish Council

Draft minutes of the meeting held 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2016

Present: Councillors M Bowes, D Hollingworth, C McGee and I Brass.

In attendance: Councillors B Griffiths and R Kirk and P Smith, Clerk. Also R Forge

1. Apologies for absence: Received from Cllr C Devlin. Also M Stanton.
2. Declarations of any personal or prejudicial interest: None received.
3. Minutes of the meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> January 2016: These were agreed and signed.
4. Matters arising: P Smith reported that a bid for funding for IT equipment had been made and that he awaited an outcome.
5. Village notice boards: It was reported by Cllr Griffiths that funding for notice boards would come from NYCC of approximately £1250 in two tranches. It was noted that an estimate of £650 had been received. It was therefore agreed that two notice boards would be purchased, one for Fangdale Beck and one for Bridge End. Cllr Griffiths was thanked for his support.
6. Auditing of Annual Accounts: P Smith informed the meeting that opting out of the current arrangements would be more onerous and costly, he therefore suggested that the existing arrangements for Audit be retained. This was agreed.
7. Finance: The balances of £10.02 savings and £2625.16 current were noted. The clerk reported a recent difficulty with HMRC in which they were seeking payment of approximately £2000. Following intervention by the clerk with assistance from Bob Stanton the matter was now resolved and HMRC accepted that no money was owing.
8. Planning: It was noted that some Local Councils were seeking signatures to a proposal that would allow bodies such as Parish Councils to appeal Planning decisions. After discussion it was agreed that such a measure would be unhelpful to the current process. It was agreed therefore to take no action.
9. Highways: It was noted that a meeting with Highways to discuss Raisdale Road repairs had taken place. Some remedial action would be taken. It was noted that the proposed double yellow lines at the top of the bank should appear circa Easter. A meeting with Tom from Highways was to be held with C McGee to discuss drains. It was noted that the appropriate procedure to request snow clearance was to contact Highways via NYCC customer support. Out of hours requests were to be made via the use of the Police 101 number. A notice to this effect was agreed for the Bilsdale Beacon.

10. Correspondence: This was noted.

11. Date and time of the next meeting. This was agreed as Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2016 at 7.30pm.

Peter Smith, Parish Clerk. 24<sup>th</sup> April 2016