

BARDSEY CUM RIGTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 6TH FEBRUARY 2019

POLICE AND RESIDENTS FORUM

Norman Overfield attended to present a report on his 30 years as the Parish Council Trustee for the Sports Club. He explained how Wetherby District Council, shortly before being taken over in 1976 by LCC, had taken a decision to establish a recreation area in the then undeveloped countryside on Keswick Lane. Charles Lamb, Chairman of the Parish Council at the time, had approached himself and Derek Hills and asked them to move the rudimentary sports facilities from Tithe Barn Lane to a field on Keswick Lane. They were not aware at the time that LCC had sold off the land fronting the field for housing, creating some on going problems for the Sports Club which later developed. Cricket, Hockey and Football all came to be played on the new ground. When advised that a lease was required, it became necessary to appoint trustees, Norman and Derek Hills becoming members of the original 5. The trustees have become a cushion between management and players over the years, each trustee adopting particular roles. In Norman's case this was liaison with neighbours and dealing with problems brought to the Police.

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY AND OTHER INTERESTS. Cllr Flockton declared a possible interest in item 3 (MA)

PRESENT Cllrs Stentiford, Sidle, Bosomworth, Tatman, Denby, West, Flockton and Hoyland.

APOLOGIES. Cllr Ward.

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 10TH JANUARY 2019 These were approved.

MATTERS ARISING

1. Increasing Levels of Crime in Bardsey. PCSO Susan Broadwell had e mailed a crime report prior to the meeting. There had been 3 burglaries residential, 4 thefts from motor vehicles, 1 act of criminal damage and 3 thefts non-specific. She had also included a map of the Harewood Ward showing the collective crimes committed. This revealed that Bardsey and East Keswick had between them suffered 22 crimes, by far the largest number. The Clerk reported that some further vandalism had occurred in East Keswick and the Police are dealing with it. Individuals are encouraged to purchase personal CCTV cameras which provide clear footage of individuals in the vicinity. At the recent meeting of the Wetherby and Harewood Forum bulk purchase of these had been discussed.

2 SID devices for Bardsey. Cllr Tatman had again asked Nick Borrás why nothing had yet been done to install these. Matthew Robinson has been approached and has once again obtained a promise that work will be carried out before the end of the month. **.(Action GT)**

3. Report from Cllr Sidle on meeting attended by Cllrs Bosomworth, Denby and himself with Kieran Osborne re improvement to broadband provision for Bardsey School. Kieran Osborne, a school parent, explained to the 3 Cllrs that he was trying to obtain an ultra fast broadband connection to the school, which could also benefit 100 houses in the area. He wanted BPC to provide an official endorsement of his project, to underpin his efforts to sign up 100 homes

and businesses and to become the legal entity which signs the contract with Openreach. He also wanted them to divert available S106 funds to the project to make up any shortfall. The price he quoted at the time from Openreach was £53,759.00 . He was confident of some funding from vouchers, government grants, and subscriber funding, but for every householder less than the optimum number of 100, a shortfall of £537 would arise.

Kieran Osborne had later e mailed to report a likely change of plan, arising from new information he had received from Open Reach, who are now quoting a lower price. He now thinks it less likely that he will need financial help from BPC via an S106 grant. He hopes to set up a Community Interest Company, but it would be helpful if the village hall came on board. Martin Smith, Chairman of the VHC, e mailed that the VHC were not likely to object to this. He pointed out, however, that it was BPC which originally installed the broadband connection to the village hall and have subsequently paid the monthly instalments. He therefore asked whether BPC would continue to pay the monthly instalments under any new arrangement with a new broadband supplier. Bardsey Cllrs were unanimous in agreeing that it would be too risky financially for them to sign a contract with Openreach. They agreed to write back to Kieran, stating that they are in favour of improved broadband, but are unable to finance it as it would be out of the recognised remit of the parish council in serving the interests of the village as a whole. They are prepared to publish details of the scheme as a news item on the website. **(Action CS)** Cllrs also discussed, and agreed, to continue to finance broadband provision for the Village Hall, encouraging the VHC to sign up to Kieran Osborne's proposal for ultra fast broadband .It is estimated that this will cost the PC approximately £150 p.a in additional subscription. **(Action JG)**

4.Highways Update :- Cllr Hoyland reported

- A58 Reflector Posts – BH has sought an update from Nick Borrás.
- A58 / Mill Lane -Cllr Sidle has received an e mail from a resident whose son has started at Bardsey School and who is concerned about the danger for him of crossing the A58 at Mill Lane. She asked whether it would be possible to have a zebra crossing there. *Cllrs discussed this and agreed that LCC would be most unlikely to agree, but advised asking Cllr Robinson/ Highways' advice* **(Action JG/ BH)**
- Church Lane – Daffodil Area – Following a meeting with Cllrs Flockton, Sidle and herself, it was felt that work should be in 3 stages. Stage 1- clearing to a limited degree while the daffodils are growing. Stage 2 – prune/ remove large areas after July. Stage 3 – cut back or remove larger shrubs/ trees. Stage 3 will need a contractor, but Cllrs need to decide whether stage 2 should also be dealt with by contractor as this is a large area requiring a lot of clearing and a skip whose location and duration would be problematic. *Cllrs discussed this and agreed that volunteers would take part in Stage 1, and a farm contractor known to the Chairman would be approached later in the year, in September/ October to give a price for Stages 2 and 3. Cllr Hoyland offered to send round an e mail with proposed dates and times for Stage 1 work.* **(Action BH)**
- Congreve Way Road Sign – BH has been informed that this was replaced on Tuesday.
- Keswick Lane/ East Keswick Footpath – Thanks to Bob Buckenham, PROW, the problem with access from Keswick Lane on to the footpath has been addressed.
- Keswick Lane – Complaint about bad issue of dog fouling by new lay by. BH needs to know if other areas are bad enough to be included. *The Blacksmith's Field was mentioned.*

5.Cornmill Ginnet. Cllr Tatman has asked Ben Cornelly why no work has been carried out on surfacing, reminding him that the parish council has already made a substantial contribution to this. Ben replied, apologising profusely, and reporting that he has instructed the team to commence work either this week or next, working over the weekend if necessary. **(Action GT)**

6.Leeds Country Way – re-routing at Wike Lane. The Chairman reported that he and Roger Brooks have walked the alternative route suggested by Derek and Pauline Hills . This seems a good compromise as it uses less land. If it could be integrated with the possible development at the service reservoir it would greatly improve sight lines at the other end and would avoid going on to the dangerous corner. Roger Brooks later e mailed a sketch of the proposed route – 150 m alongside Wike Lane, from the junction with Gateon House Lane to the slightly wider verge opposite the old quarry site.

7.Hedges in need of attention. Bardsey Tree Services had , by mistake, carried out work on the Ascot (Keswick Lane) hedge , originally assigned to GGS Groundcare. Cllr Tatman said that there were approximately 6 overhanging hedges on Mill Lane and offered to draft and deliver letters advising the owners of their responsibility in cutting these back **(Action GT)**

8. Village Pond Mark Hullah has filled the skip supplied from Ward Cllr funds with the dumped waste/weed extracted from the pond earlier in the month.

9. GDPR The Clerk asked Cllrs to consider whether they would agree to her using a more general privacy notice at the end of her e mails which could be applicable to both Bardsey and East Keswick PCs for which she currently works. Cllrs agreed unanimously.

10. Disused Railway Line There was nothing to report.

11. Land Ownership by Bardsey Parish Council. There was nothing to report.

STANDING AGENDA ITEMS

1 .Park Field TCV are in process of doing the work required on the hedge near the adult play equipment.

2. Playground Cllr West was asked to consider the most appropriate place in the playground to advertise the existence of the area of adult play equipment.

3. Web Site There was nothing to report.

4. Sports Club There was nothing to report.

PLANNING .

New Applications .:-

(a) 19/00364 – 1 Tithe Barn Lane – Exts. – *Under consideration*

(b) 18/07174 – 7 Day Reconsultation on Heron Bank App. -Cllrs agreed *to Object* , citing their previous comments, as there appeared to be little difference from the former application.

(c) 18/07190 – The Old Pump House, Wike Lane – Revised Plans.- *Object*

2. APPROVALS BY LCC:-

(a) 18/06319 – Hill View, Mill Lane – Exts.

(b) 18/06319 – 9 Congreve Way – Exts.

(c) 18/07011 – 11 The Drive – Minor amendment.

3. APPEAL- Land adj. to Wheatfields The Council will repeat its original objection.

4. WITHDRAWALS BY LCC:-

(a) 18/04263 – 1Wike Lane – Exts.

FINANCE

1. Bills for payment:

(a) Biffa Waste Disposal -	£78.43
(b) GGS Groundcare – Assistance with cleaning out pond	80.00

It was agreed to pay the bills listed above.

2. Remittance

(a) LCC – Grant from Emmerdale Fund for £10,000. for further work on paths in Park Field. This has been credited to the Bardsey account.

CORRESPONDENCE AND NEW BUSINESS None

DATE OF NEXT MEETING- Wednesday 20th March at 7pm. It was agreed to hold no meeting in April, other than the APM on April 25th

MINOR MATTERS FOR DELEGATION TO CLERK/NEXT AGENDA.

1. Old Photos for Website Cllr Hoyland suggested that some of the photos to which Norman Overfield had referred in his talk might be suitable for inclusion on the website. The Chairman offered to mention it to him. **(Action ES)**

Signed

Date

BPC Minutes of Feb. 19 Meeting