MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE REEDLEY HALLOWS PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THE 8 NOVEMBER, 2022.

PRESENT: Councillor P. Bates in the Chair;

Councillors C Johnson, R. Korol, P McCormick, L. Oddie and I Shutt.

Ian Woolstencroft – Clerk; and

Stephen Bates – Parish Lengthsman.

158 . DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

Members were reminded of the requirements by the Chair. There were no declarations

of interest on this agenda.

159. RECORD OF MEMBERS INTERESTS.

All members interests were confirmed as up to date.

160. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

None were received.

161. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting held on the 11 October, 2022 , copies

of which had previously been circulated were approved as a correct record.

162. CLERK’S CORRESPONDENCE.

* L.C.C. Policy – Attachments to Lighting Columns.

The Clerk reported that the Lancashire County Council had introduced a new policy requiring local Councils to submit an application to them for permission to attach items such as signs, bunting , Christmas lights or hanging baskets to streetlights . The key features of the policy will include the introduction of a £70 charge for each application which will cover the administration of the licence and the time taken for LCC Officers to review the application. The permission will last for three years . Parish and Town Councils , along with charitable organisations , will not be charged for required structural integrity tests providing that they apply for a licence at least 10 weeks before the planned event. ..

The Clerk submitted a copy of a letter dated 13 October, 2022 from the Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport which outlined the policy along with the basic requirements for a successful application.

The Parish Lengthsman explained that Reedley Hallows Parish Council would be required to submit an application in view of the annual Christmas Lights Scheme.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk be requested to submit an application under this policy in consultation with Stately Lighting the Christmas Lights Contractor.

163. FINANCE .

RESOLVED: That the following items be approved and noted.

* Bank Balances as at 31 October, 2022 , Business Premium Account £4,243.04

Business Community Account £26,625.80

* Clerk’s salary and expenses for October, 2022 paid by SO £249.32
* Clerk’s tax for October , 2022 = £50.80
* Lengthsman’s fees for October, 2022 12 hours at £9.82 = £ 117.84

164 . ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES.

Parish Lengthsman’s Report

* The Parish Lengthsman’s report on work he had carried out during October, 2022 was received..

Redevelopment of the Former Lucas Sports Ground Site.

* The Clerk reported that Philip Riley had received an e mail from Tony Quinn , Chief Buyer, Barnfield Construction dated 21 October, 2022 which he had copied to him which explained that Barnfield had been trying to secure a contractor to carry out the Football pitch build this year but to no avail, he has been informed that they can’t start the work until late March or early April 2023 when the growing season commences because if they did it now it will die off and need re- seeding in the new year. However he was able to report that he has a team of groundworkers and their associated machinery finishing a project in Rochdale by the end of October, 2022 . This team has been earmarked to go to The Hallows and to clear out the open culvery , reduce the batters to the open culverts and to carry out any localised drainage works they deem necessary as they proceed. Furthermore, the piped culvert that runs through the back gardens of the properties adjacent to Reedley Drive has also now been cleared . This work was completed during September , 2022 at considerable expense by Ribble Properties and the garden that they had to dig into for access has been fully reinstated to the homeowners satisfaction.

The Clerk further reported that he had subsequently spoken to Philip Riley since receipt of this e mail and arrangements would be made for appropriate Pendle Council Officers to meet on site during the early part of Spring 2023 with representatives of the Reedley Hallows Parish Council to review the position and look at the way forward in making sure that the refurbishment scheme was completed as soon as possible after the Barnfield Contractor has carried out work to provide the Junior Football pitch with associated landscaping.

In addition the Clerk read out a letter dated 21 September, 2022 which Mr A. Green, Chairman of the Reedley Drive Residents Association had sent to the Chief Planning Officer at Pendle Council which outlined the local residents concerns regarding the lack of progress in implementing the refurbishment scheme along with longstanding concerns relating to land levels on the site.

RESOLVED: That the position be noted.

165 . PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

The Clerk reported that the following planning applications had been received by

Pendle Council relating to the Reedley Hallows area since the last meeting of the

Parish Council:-

* 22/0709/ HHO – Full : erection of a single storey side extension – Plantation Cottage, Greenhead Lane, Fence – comments to be received by 17 November, 2022.
* 22/0720/ Full : change of use of existing buildings to 2 units of holiday accommodation, including external alterations to windows, installation of solar panels to roof and insertion of 3 roof lights . – Spurn Clough Cottage, Greenhead Lane, Reedley – comments to be received by 22 November, 2022

RESOLVED: That no objection be raised to these applications.

158. DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Tuesday 13 December,

2022 starting at 1.00pm at the Café in Smithson’s Farm.

The Meeting finished at 1.45pm

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