

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD
ON MONDAY MAY 21ST 2018 AT WALMER BRIDGE VILLAGE
HALL

ATTENDANCE –Mr D Suthers, Mr D Rimmer, Mrs M Kirkman
& Mrs S Rainsbury

Also present were 2 members of the public.

1.APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE - Mr T Sutton & Mrs C Roper &
Mr J Rainsbury.

2. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN FOR THE FORTHCOMING
YEAR

Councillor David Suthers was elected Chairman.

3.APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIRMAN FOR THE
FORTHCOMING YEAR

Councillor John Rainsbury was elected Vice Chairman.

4. MINUTES – The minutes of the previous meeting were
discussed and agreed.

5.TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – None

6.CHAIRMAN’S UPDATES AND MATTERS ARISING

Plants have been purchased to restock the tubs and flower
beds at Walmer Green Gardens and an invoice had been
received for this and it also included the servicing of the two
mowers. SRBC will re-seed the wild flowers on the right hand
side.

The planters in front of the shops and the two planters on the corner by the Village Teapot need to be re stocked and a quotation had been received from Garden- Scene. It was felt that the prices quoted were expensive. However, due to the proximity of the judging date for the Lancashire Best Kept Village Competition , it was agreed to proceed. It was noted that several landscape gardening firms should be contacted to tender for the lengthsman's contract for next year.

The planters in front of the shops have now been repaired.

The ball park extension work will commence on June 25th and is expected to take three weeks.

7. PUBLIC DISCUSSION

The Chairman of Walmer Bridge Village Hall Association was present ,and supplied information concerning the extension of the hall to provide better, larger toilets with internal and external access and a kitchen/ servery off the foyer. It was agreed that any contribution towards the cost by the Parish Council will be discussed at the June meeting.

8. PLANNING UPDATES ON ONGOING APPLICATIONS- None

9. PLANNING APPLICATIONS SINCE LAST MEETING

07/2018/2269/HOH- 65 Hall Carr Lane – Rear Extension

07/2018/2340/HOH – 25 Dob Lane- Side and Rear Extension

It was agreed that there was nothing contentious here.

The clerk advised that we will receive an amount of £1,004.25 – this is a CIL payment in respect of Planning Application 07/2015/0825/FUL – Long Fold Farm, Moss Lane.

10. ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 2017/2018

This was agreed and signed.

11. ACCOUNTING STATEMENT 2017/2018

This was agreed and signed.

The Certificate of Exemption was also agreed and signed.

12. FINANCIAL STATEMENT

This was discussed and agreed.

13. OUTDOOR GYM EQUIPMENT

As Councillor J Rainsbury was not present, it was agreed to place this on the agenda for the June meeting.

14. PAYMENTS

It was agreed to pay Garden Scene an amount of £306.42 for work done in April

It was agreed to pay £50 for the internal audit.

It was agreed to pay the Information Commissioner an amount of £40 for data protection registration, the cheque for £35 had been returned due to an increase in fees just advised.

It was agreed to pay L Dryden £311.63 for plants and materials in respect of Walmer Green Gardens.

15. CORRESPONDENCE

SLCC Bolton Regional Training Seminar – a free place for one of our councillors was on offer.

Civic Sunday – 17th June – All Saints Church, New Longton.

Merchant Navy Day – 3rd September.

Action Week – Dementia Friendly Status – 21st -25th May

16. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The clerk attended the PACT meeting on May 14th.

There had been one theft in Little Hoole, and in Walmer Bridge there was one assault, one theft, one fraud and one report of criminal damage.

The next meeting will be on July 2nd.

17. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

June 11th 2018 at 7pm at Walmer Bridge Village Hall.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The annual report 2017/8 was approved.