

Bowland with Leagram Parish Council AGM Minutes May 23rd 2022
Laund Farm Classroom @ 7.30pm

1. Apologies for absence – Rupert Swarbrick, Simon Hore, John Stoll
2. Minutes of the last meeting
 - Proposed – Carol
 - Seconded – Joanne Hampson
3. Business Interest to Declare – All had had prior sight of the Agenda and no interests were declared.
4. Matters arising:
 - A) Catherine Ramsey - RSPB
 - Catherine was introduced by Chairman Claire Davies. Catherine presented an in-depth video and verbal presentation of what the RSPB are currently working in conjunction on with farmers regarding the protection of local birds and habitat. Informative and well received. Chairman Davies thanked Catherine for the time and presentation
 - B) Chairman's Report 2020/2021 – verbal report from Chairman Davies received.
 - See attached report
 - C) End of year accounts
 - Verbal report received by clerk Lorraine Bacon on current finances. AGAR 2020/21 completed and audited by Barbara Green, Chipping PC clerk.
 - 2022/23 precept received £1000, RVBC accepted the higher precept request to assist the relocation of a new Parish Notice board
 - The Chair signed the Annual Governance and Accounting statements as approved by the meeting members.
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 - D) Jubilee – donation use. (Chipping will have a small stone monument placed on the Village Green surrounded by flowers. They will lay a wreath at the War Memorial.) Does the PC wish to contribute. Chipping PC have donated for some further bulbs at the WM. Dave Urie has suggested some climbing roses – can the PC buy or offer a donation towards these as part of the Jubilee.
 - Discuss the upcoming events that will be occurring in Chipping to celebrate the Jubilee. Clerk Lorraine Bacon to make contact with D Urie regarding the cost of plants for the War Memorial. PC to confirm the if they will make a donation towards the Chipping memorial monument.

5. Parish Notice Board

- Costs to be determined for a new double A4 parish notice board

6. Drains

- Discussed in Chairman's report

7. Parking in Chipping

- Ongoing concerns raised and continues to be reported to RVBC. Discuss writing a letter from the Parish Council to the car owners raising the safety concerns and issues related to larger vehicles trying to access the village

7 Track over Stanley

- Written report from Rupert Swarbrick

Update from officers on the track at Stanley (Twins Brook Road):

- We have erected S59 signs in 3 places
- We have asked GLASS for 2 of their signs
- Whilst on site we observed 2 motorcycles riding on the common instead of the track.

We

have photographs of registration plates and witness statements and we have met with the

police who are issuing the relevant notices to the registered keepers

- We have repaired the gate at the Chipping end
- We have erected posts alongside the track at the places where vehicles have previously left

the track. This will not prevent vehicles but will encourage drivers to keep on the track.

- We have cleared the drain/cut to reduce the amount of water in the long puddle
- We will erect temporary signs at this point telling users to keep to the track
- We have removed the stones from the 1 or 2 points where vehicles had scraped their

differentials (the lowest points) and reduced the ruts at those points

- We have discussed minor maintenance with RSPB and agreed a light touch with a work party

is appropriate now with a bigger job after the nesting season

My understanding is that the process of applying for the temporary closure order this season would

have been too lengthy to have been any use for protection of the habitat. I'd be happy to consulting about who

can apply for a seasonal closure order and will revert as soon as I know.

We also need to do some more work on what we are actually trying to achieve and I'd be happy to

do some more work on this with you over the summer. It could be argued that we are starting with a

solution and looking for a problem to fit it. There is precedent that exemplary habitats are provided

around airport runways, military ranges and motorway verges – areas where dogs are excluded,

pedestrian access is rare but big loud machines either continuously or intermittently dominate.

(Salisbury Plain is a SSSI!).

- The logic is that using the if we use the disturbance of the birds as the reason for a closure then the
- logical action would be firstly to exclude dogs, then keep everyone off the common except the track
- and only finally then close the track/road.
- My own understanding of the aim is to ensure that users of the track remain on it. If this is the case
- then the logic is that it needs to be maintained and that falls to me to argue for the appropriate
- resources.

8. Notified AOB

Legend Fires NW Stage 2022 – £500 pound donation being sent – PC express their thanks at receiving this donation, this will be noted in the local newsletter and ask for ideas on what to use the donation for,

- Chipping PC have arranged for some grouting on the wall joints at the War Memorial, Barbara Green was unsure if voluntary work or will request some payment – to be confirmed
- Community Portal information -t's a system where you can sign up your CCTV cameras, whether they're from your business or personal residence, and it allows you to easily send us footage (including large data files in a wide variety of formats) if a crime or incident has taken place.
This is entirely FREE and completely voluntary, so we would like to assure you that by registering with the portal you are NOT giving Lancashire Constabulary access to your CCTV system or any cameras - you are simply making it easier for us to request and collect footage which may really help us in an investigation! f you'd like to register your camera, just pop an e-mail to NICE.Register@lancashire.police.uk with your name and contact details to get started – you will then get a registration link sent to you from the system.- this information to be placed in the Parish newsletter to inform residents
- Bank Account – cannot received some BACS payments (North West rally and Thornton PC have tried) - Chairman Davies will attend the Bank in person to update the account.

Other Business – Councillor Carol Griffiths confirms her intention to resign her position to moving out of the Parish in the near future, date to be confirmed.

Kind regards,

Claire
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