

**Bowland with Leagram Parish Council meeting Minutes 5th December
2023 Laund Farm Classroom @ 7.30pm**

Present: Chair – Councillor Claire Davies, Councillor – Joanne Hampson, Councillor John Stott, Councillor Billie Weld-Blundell, Councillor Andrew Church-Taylor

Apologies for absence – Councillor Simon Hore, County Councillor R Swarbrick, Councillor John weld-Blundell

1. Minutes of the last meeting

Proposed – Counsellor Joanne Hampson

Seconded- Councillor John Stott
2. Matters arising – Introductions and welcome to new Councillor Andrew Church-Taylor, declaration of acceptance of office completed, Notification by Council members of Disclosable Pecuniary interests documentation completed
3. Conflict of interest/business interests to declare - no
4. Parking in Chipping – parking on Windy Street near War Memorial an ongoing issue, parking causes traffic to travel on the wrong side of the road in order to pass the parked cars. This has again been raised with County Councillor Swarbrick. Discuss arranging a meeting in the coming week with Councillor J Stott, Councillor Claire Davies, Councillor Church-taylor and CC Rupert Swarbrick.
It has been noted that there is a considerable increase in parking over the weekends. Discuss the increasing likelihood of a serious accident happening on this junction.
5. School transport for Leagram Children =Councillor Davies reads out an email received from Councillor Hore on this issue, there is no imminent resolution to this issue. Discuss that feeder schools to Bowland need to be made aware of the issue of potentially no further bus service, and that it is not a LCC statutory obligation to fund a bus service. Discuss writing to both schools in Chipping to make them aware of this issue and that the information should be made available to parents who may be considering Bowland school and to place the information on the school website
6. Village Committees
 - a) Brabins trust – Verbal report received from Councillor Billie-Weld Blundell, all properties are now managed by Preston Management team to ensure that all properties are kept up to date with regards to current legal requirements, insulation, electrical certificates etc

- b) Village Hall Committee – verbal report from Councillor Davies, recent discussions have focused on how to maximise the space, develop plans to promote and advertise the space. A team that manages parish village halls met recently, they come under an umbrella organisations that can further assist with how to promote village halls
 - c) Community Land Trust- no report received
7. Vacancy on the Parish Council – vacancy filled, all paperwork completed
 8. Confidentiality - no
 9. AOB – Sam Clegg has asked for a salt bin on Mytham road, to apply via RBVC for this, Councillor Weld-Blundell/Lorraine to action

Issues regarding the shooting raised at the last meeting, this has been discussed between the landowner and local resident. Discuss the shooting pellets that hit the local house, discuss that as it involves firearms the Rural Taskforce can be approached

Issues raised by C McWilliam regarding some trees locally that need to be dealt with due to safety concerns, the landowner has been spoken to and is aware, is addressing the issue.

Precept 2024/2025 agree £900

Next meeting, 27.02.24, to invite a member from North West Rally to attend to discuss the upcoming rally on 23.03.24

Meeting closed 8.30pm