

FOULRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of Meeting held in Foulridge Village Hall at 7.30 pm on Monday, 5th August 2019

ACTION

1 APOLOGIES AND APPROVAL OF ABSENCES

No apologies were received.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were received.

3 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 3RD JUNE 2019

The minutes of the last meeting were approved.

4 RESIDENTS' MATTERS

Nothing to report.

5 PENDLE COUNCIL & LCC REPORTS

Councillor Whipp confirmed that the footpath from Causeway to Towngate is not recorded as a public right of way. He stated that it is suspected there is a culvert underground and he advised that Pendle Borough Council have been asked to investigate further to clarify what is causing the damage to the road surface.

Councillor Whipp advised that the Local Government Boundary Commission had proposed that Foulridge be amalgamated with Boulsworth ie N E Colne, Laneshawbridge and Trawden.

Councillor Whitfield asked Councillor Whipp to take up the issue of the Noyna ford road surface with LCC.

6. COMMUNITY UPDATE

- a) Xmas Street Decorations – Councillor Law-Riding confirmed that the cost to erect 5 Xmas trees over the shops is an initial sum of £800 followed by £337.50 per annum for four years. The payments will be taken from the surplus xmas tree donation, therefore not costing FPC anything. This was approved.
Councillor Law-Riding to confirm with the supplier. Cllr Law-Riding
- b) Councillor Storey advised that the latest newsletter had been published and included an appeal for sponsors for the community garden. She stated that the next publication will be the end of October, deadline mid-October.
- c) Councillor Cannon advised that the presentation at the local primary school had gone well as had the geological walk.
- d) Councillor Cannon to action the village green registration issue. Cllr Cannon
- e) Councillor Cannon to write to T & R Engineering to clarify the situation regarding the disused building adjacent to them. Cllr Cannon

7 FINANCE

	Description	Date	Amount	Chq No.	Budget ID
1	T Clark Compost/Petrol/Weedkiller	07.06.19	75.88	TFR	38/53
2	J Waine Grass Cutting 3 of 9	07.06.19	184.00	TFR	49
3	Roland Ward Insurance Renewal Digger	07.06.19	344.87	TFR	25
4	J Waine Grass Cutting 4 of 9	24.06.19	184.00	TFR	49
5	Handyman Weedkiller Joe Lane	27.06.19	44.40	TFR	24
6	G Cannon 2 x Title View Plans	27.06.19	6.00	TFR	56
7	G Cannon Litter Picker	27.06.19	15.00	TFR	24
8	Clerk's Salary June 2019	28.06.19	311.53	TFR	26
9	Caretaker's Salary June 2019	28.06.19	240.61	TFR	28
10	HMRC	22.07.19	77.80	TFR	29
11	Allotment Refund Plot 13	28.06.19	38.95	TFR	30
12	Handyman Play Park/Cenotaph/Lake Jetty	01.07.19	44.17	TFR	42/44
13	C Whitfield Water Meter Sports Pavilion	16.07.19	142.00	TFR	56
14	J Waine Grass Cutting 5 of 9	16.07.19	184.00	TFR	49
15	S Dickinson Ink Cartridges	30.07.19	45.99	TFR	27
16	Handyman Allotments/Bus Shelter/Play Area	30.07.19	174.40	TFR	24/30/43/44
17	T Clark IBC Containers/Petrol	31.07.19	90.00	TFR	38/53
18	Clerk's Salary July 2019	31.07.19	622.73	TFR	26
19	Caretaker's Salary July 2019	31.07.19	298.20	TFR	28
			3124.53		

The payment schedule was approved – 19 payments totalling £3124.53.

The Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) was approved.

8 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

There were no planning applications for discussion.

9 ALLOTMENTS/HORTICULTURE

Councillor Whitfield advised that he would need approximately £500 to spend on the hard core needed to improve the car park at the top of the allotments. The money will be deducted from the Community Investment Fund received from Councillor Waugh. It was agreed he should proceed in two stages and forward the invoices to the clerk as appropriate.

CLlr Whitfield

Councillor Whitfield mentioned that the tenant of plots 26 and 27 had removed the fencing between the two plots. The Clerk to write to the tenant informing him that he will have to re-instate the fencing should he give up the plots.

Clerk

Councillor Whitfield drew attention to the fact that a hosepipe had been left on overnight. He suggested that if this continues a meter should be installed to control the flow and advised that water containers are available for the allotment holders. Councillor Cannon suggested a “press and hold” tap. Councillor Whitfield to monitor.

Cllr Whitfield

Councillor Whitfield advised that he had ordered a “No Fly Tipping” sign to be erected at the top car park.

Councillors were reminded that allotment tenancy agreements issued clearly state that tenants are not allowed to keep livestock on their allotment. This agreement has been in place for a number of months.

Community Garden - Councillor Storey explained that this would be carried out in two stages. The first stage would include strimming, clearing, putting down a membrane and erection of security fencing. Councillor Storey advised that taking the grant of £750 plus a donation of £1000 into account, a further £180 would be required to complete stage one. This was approved.

The winners of the best garden and allotment were chosen. It was agreed the winners in the garden section should be invited to the November 2019 coffee morning for the presentation followed by a buffet lunch. It was agreed the Allotment Association should present the trophy in the allotment section.

10 WEBSITE REPORT

Councillor Knowles confirmed that a local photographer had been selected from a number of volunteers to support development on the new website. Progress is going well and the new website may be ready for September 2019.

11 PLAY AREA/VE DAY/MERCHANT NAVY DAY

Councillor Storey confirmed that a redundant section of the cosmo station had now been removed by Pendle Borough Council. We have been assured this does not affect the stability of the station.

Councillor Howson advised that a resident had contacted her to ask for signage to warn that it is a play park and children are crossing as the entrance is obscured. Councillor Cannon suggested cutting back the hedge to give better visibility. Councillor Whitfield to organise for the overhanging hedge to be cut back.

Cllr Whitfield

Councillor Storey advised that the Parish Council, via herself, would be working alongside St Michael and All Angels Church to recognise VE Day 8th, 9th and 10th May 2020.

It was agreed the Parish Council would support Merchant Navy Day 3rd September 2019. Councillor Clark to liaise with relevant persons.

Cllr Clark

12 HANDYMAN'S WORK SCHEDULE

It was agreed the handyman would continue to work at the allotments and on cutting selected trees back.

It was agreed no work should be done on installing additional rails on Joe Lane.

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Monday, 2nd September 2019 at 7.30 pm