

BOLTON BY BOWLAND, GISBURN FOREST AND SAWLEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 09 JANUARY 2023

HELD AT BOLTON BY BOWLAND VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30 PM

Present: Cllrs A Yates (Chair), R Veitch, S Whitaker, P Wilson

In attendance: Two members of the public

1. To receive and approve apologies for absence

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllrs N Bunyan and P Jenkins.

2. To receive declarations of pecuniary or personal interest

None

3. Adjournment for public session

No comments from members of the public present.

4. To resolve to confirm the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 05 December 2022

The Minutes of the meeting held on 05 December 2022 were approved and duly signed by the Chair.

5. Matters Arising not covered elsewhere on the Agenda – For Information Only

It was reported that the radar sensor in the SpID had failed and would need replacing. It was suggested that the price of a new SpID be obtained for comparative purposes.

No action had been taken by Lancs Highways regarding the damaged 30 mph sign at the entrance to Bolton by Bowland and the Clerk was asked to pursue the matter further.

6. To consider any response to be made to planning applications

It was resolved that there were no objections to the following planning applications:

3/2022/1112 (Owl House, Sawley),

3/2022/1131 (1 Hellifield Road, Bolton-by-Bowland),

3/2022/1141 & 1142 (Southport House, Sawley),

3/2022/1157 Meregill Farm, Bolton-by-Bowland

7. Accounts

a) To approve the bank balance as of 09 January 2023 of £29,338.74 Approved by all

b) To consider and approve any invoice payments due:

1. Bolton by Bowland Village Hall (received 09.01.23) Hall hire £25 Approved

8. To consider and approve the parish precept for 2023/24

The Chair gave an overview of the financial position in 2022/23 and a projection of income and expenditure for 2023/24. It was noted that there were plans to include sums in the budget for 2023/24 to cover village maintenance and road safety issues, to be specified at a future date.

It was agreed to submit a precept request for 2023/24 of £24,000.

9. Matters brought forward by members – For Information Only

Cllr Paul Wilson provided an update on the roll-out of the BARN project. It was noted that there was currently a financial shortfall with the project and that the Parish Council may be approached for a grant. It was suggested that an informal proposal be brought to the next Parish Council meeting for further consideration.

It was reported that a request had been received by applicants who wished to re-develop the site of the former chicken farm in Sawley to present their initial proposals to the Parish Council. It was agreed that the applicants could attend the next Parish Council meeting.

The Chair provided an update on the delay in receiving the notice boards commissioned to commemorate the late Queen's Platinum Jubilee. The Chair advised that he had indicated to the joiner concerned that if the notice boards were not received by 10 February 2023 the Parish Council would be requesting a return of the deposit monies and would take its business elsewhere.

10. Date and venue of next Parish Council Meeting

Monday 06 February 2023 at 7.30 pm Sawley Village Hall

The meeting concluded at 8.10 pm.