

**BOLTON BY BOWLAND, GISBURN FOREST AND SAWLEY PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 18 SEPTEMBER 2023**

**HELD AT SAWLEY VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30 PM**

**Present:** Cllrs A Yates (Chair), D Brady, H Fortune, P Jenkins, L Marsden, S Mitchell, R Veitch, S Whitaker, Borough Cllr Rosie Elms, Clerk

**In attendance:** Five members of the public

**To receive and approve apologies for absence**

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

**To receive declarations of pecuniary or personal interest**

None

**Adjournment for public session**

No comments from members of the public present.

**To resolve to confirm the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 14 August 2023**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 14 August 2023 were approved and duly signed by the Chair.

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

The Clerk advised that she would be contacting secretaries of village halls in the parish to disseminate information about the annual parish meeting to be held in late October 2023.

**To consider any response to be made to planning applications**

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

3/2023/0520 Bay Gate Farm, Bolton by Bowland

3/2023/0598 Meargill Farm, Bolton by Bowland

3/2023/0624 1 Kirkbeck Mews, Bolton by Bowland

3/2023/0645 Raygill Moss Farm, Bolton by Bowland

3/2023/0633 Varleys Farm, Bolton by Bowland

**Audit 2022/23**

The Clerk advised that the notice of conclusion of the audit process needed to be received by the deadline of 30 September 2023 but, as yet, it had not been received from PKF Littlejohn.

**Accounts**

**To approve the bank balance as of 18 September 2023 of £45,632** Approved by all

**To consider and approve any invoice payments due:**

1. Sawley Village Hall Hall hire £30 Approved

2. Mrs C A Holmes

Salary £192.92 Approved

**To consider the latest information available regarding the B4RN project**

In the absence of Cllr Wilson this item was not considered.

**Matters brought forward by members – For Information Only**

The Chair provided an update on the situation regarding the deteriorating condition of the walls on Holden Lane. It was noted that, in order to get a solution to the problem, the initiative would need to be taken by the parish council. The Chair advised he wished to meet with a representative of the estate to discuss the situation and Cllr Brady offered to contact a representative of the estate.

The Chair provided an update on matters discussed by the Road Safety Group, composed of representatives of over sixteen Ribble Valley villages, at its latest meeting on 16 August 2023.

Various issues regarding highways within the parish were discussed and it was noted that these matters could be reported via the Love Clean Streets app, details of which the Clerk agreed to circulate to councillors.

The meeting concluded at 8.05 pm.