

**Present**

Parish Councillors Addis and Harris, Mr T Payne (Clerk) and four member of the public.

**1. Minutes of the last meeting:** the minutes of the meeting of 15<sup>h</sup> May 2018 were approved

**2. Report from the Chair of the Bonsall Parish Council for 2018/19**

The last 12 months have been another busy year for Bonsall Parish Council (BPC). There have been several significant developments that have been completed and a number that we are still very much ongoing. Overall, I believe we have made further significant improvements and I would like to thank all Councillors and staff as well as the many Bonsall residents who have supported us during the year. I would particularly like to recognise our RFO and Clerk Tony Payne for his ongoing professionalism and commitment during the year. I would also like to convey a huge thanks as well to Peter Spencer, Leigh Johnson, Mick Biggin, Becky Allsopp and Sam Hopkinson for their continued hard work in supporting the village. Thanks also to Mick Hewitt who has served as a Parish Councillor for a number of years and has chosen not to stand for this coming year.

In no particular order, I would like to highlight the following key developments over the last 12 months:

• **Park Lease Update**

- The transfer has now been fully agreed between ourselves, the Diocese and DDDC. The lease has been agreed with the Diocese, once the sublease has been agreed with the DDDC (this is due imminently) then the formal handover to Bonsall PC can commence.

• **Slinter Quarry**

- There have been continued complaints from many residents regards noise and dust during the operation of the quarry. The ongoing planning application by the quarry had also received much concern and comment from villagers (there were 53 pages of comments from Bonsall residents received on the planning website). The planning application has been delayed several times and is now not expected to go forwards for 2-3 months. Matter is ongoing.

• **Defibrillators**

- We have now purchased a total of 3 new defibrillators for the village in addition to the Fountain unit (The Dale, Townhead and School). Thanks to the working group who enabled this to happen with such pace as well as all those who made donations.

• **Concern over Speeding Vehicles**

- We have carried out 4 Speedwatch monitoring sessions throughout the year and found that the compulsory signage notifying drivers that speed monitoring was taking place was having an impact on driver's speed (and assessing a true reflection on speed monitoring). Following on from this we agreed a "Twenty's Plenty" approach to signage and agreed to develop new signs / posters with the help of Bonsall school. These are to be sited very shortly.

We have also just carried out speed strip type monitoring over a week during term time and await publication of results.

• **Churchyard**

- The 3 Lime trees by Church Street / School have been pruned during the year.
- Site meeting had taken place in March and agreed a way forward in tackling overhanging trees on Ragcroft and Yeoman Street and to make safe two trees within the closed churchyard.
- The long-standing matter of responsibility for the old closed church yard has been resolved as responsibility passed to BPC in February this year.
- Work is still ongoing investigating the requirements for the burial ground extension.

• **White Low Moor Motorcross site**

- There have been several complaints from villagers during the year regards noise from the site as well as increased intensity of use. The Peak District National Park Authority have been notified and are currently investigating.

- **Public Toilets**
  - We have agreed that ownership of the public toilets will transfer to the Parish Council and thank Paul Gould for enabling that; we are just waiting for the legal paperwork to be completed by the District Council. It is still with their legal department for the Tenancy of Will.
- **Poppy Campaign**
  - Creative poppy display over the park during Remembrance had received very positive feedback. Thanks to Anne and Jon Barry
- **Flooding 20th-21st September 2018**
  - Following significant rain on the evening of the 20<sup>th</sup> September, many residents reported flooding of their homes, gardens etc. Flood reports were completed by those affected and sent to DCC Flood team. DCC have carried out an investigation and a report is expected imminently. It has been agreed to in principle to implement a Flood Warden Scheme.
- **Website Review**
  - The current website for housing Bonsall PC documents is currently being reviewed and we hope to make this much more accessible site for all village groups.
- **T'Owd Man**
  - Following the publication of "T'Owd Man of Wirksworth" a group of Bonsall residents was formed to look at preventing commercial exploitation of T'Owd Man of Bonsall as well as looking at restoring T'Owd Man to Bonsall. BPC have given their formal support for the group.
- **Rights of Way Group (ROWG)**
  - A group has been formed to review the "Definitive Map" in Bonsall and the surrounding area to ensure all rights of way, footpaths, bridal paths etc. are correctly recorded and if not, a submission put forward to present the case for them being recorded going forwards. A copy of the Definitive Map for this area has been obtained for the BPC and the ROWG.

The report was received with thanks by the meeting.

**3. . Report from the Finance officer of Bonsall Parish Council Income and Expenditure 2018/19 and Precept:** (see accounts at end of minutes appendix 1)

**Precept:** the Clerk reported that the precept for 2019/20 remained unchanged from the previous year on account of:

- the need for contingency costs of £1000 for website development, £500 for new community notice board, £300 for legal costs on the park sub-lease, District / Parish Council election costs of £886, £500 for planning fees for the churchyard extension and £1500 for churchyard tree work; and
- that projected reserves at the end of 2019-20 were still £4K below the recommended levels.

**4. Discussion on (a) the role of a community trust to manage existing and future village assets; (b) a Bonsall village sign: ideas for design:** There was discussion on a community trust which could in future operate the park, village hall and public toilets. There was also discussion on design of a village sign, and a design competition was suggested.

**5. To Consider any other Parish Matter that may be brought forward by the Council or local government electors:** none.

Signed .....

**BONSALL PARISH COUNCIL FINANCIAL STATEMENT (01 April 2018 to 31 March 2019)**

<b><u>INCOME</u></b>	<b><u>2018-19</u></b> £	<b><u>Budget V3</u></b> £	<b><u>Variation</u></b> £
Precept	18500.00	18500	0
DDDC Churchyard Maintenance	2690.50	1200	1491
DCC p3 agreement - Footpaths	495.00	495	0
DDDC WC maintenance payment	0.00	1500	-1500
Bank Interest (monthly)	27.56	10	18
Burial Fees	1350.00	1150	200
VAT refund	1141.49	700	441
Defibrillator	3094.23	2503	591
Miscellaneous	<u>780.00</u>	<u>400.00</u>	<u>380.00</u>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>28,078.78</b>	<b>26,458</b>	<b>1621</b>

<b><u>EXPENDITURE</u></b>	<b><u>2018-19</u></b> £	<b><u>Budget V3</u></b> £	<b><u>Variation</u></b> £
Payroll	11214.68	10175.00	1039.68
Churchyard Maintenance materials (expenses)	79.27	103	-24
Footpath Maintenance materials (expenses)	189.78	190	-0
Payroll and Audit fees	105.00	435	-330
Admin & Misc Expenses	375.07	420	-45
Lighting	237.27	266	-29
Insurance	571.13	571	0
Training	0.00	40	-40
DALC & Subscriptions	892.08	462	430
Machinery Service & Equipment	48.15	250	-202
Village Hall Rent	156.00	156	0
Web site fee and Anti-Virus	138.65	135	4
Plants and Christmas trees	147.10	260	-113
Grit, litter bins benches boards & signs	246.80	300	-53
WC Cleaning & maintenance	1167.96	1500	-332
General Grants and Donations	900.00	650	250
Burial ground maintenance (Parish C'I area)	90.00	1700	-1610
Defibrillator	4864.85	3200	1665
Legal/admin costs Vehicle Park	0.00	6600	-6600
Rent park area	0.00	200	-200
Maintenance park area	0.00	0	0
Park play equipment	0.00	0	0
Funding available to existing/new projects	0.00	500	-500
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>21423.79</b>	<b>28113.00</b>	<b>-6689.21</b>

**Projected Budget Surplus (Deficit)**

**-1,655**

**Surplus/(Deficit) for the Year to date**

**6,654.99**

**BANK RECONCILIATION**

	£		£
Opening balance from previous year b/f	13,689.56		
Add: Surplus/Deficit to date	<u>6654.99</u>		
	<b>20344.55</b>		
		Current Account	500.00
		Deposit Account	19844.55
	<b>20,344.55</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>20,344.55</b>

