

WHALLEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES FOR THE GROUNDS & GARDENS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 3 July 2018 AT 7.00pm at THE OLD GRAMMAR SCHOOL

1. To accept apologies: Martin Highton and John Threlfall

Councillors in attendance:

J Brown D Sleight M Fallon L Rimmer In attendance: M Richardson, Clerk to Council

2. To accept as correct the Minutes of the Previous Meeting held on 16 January 2017

It was resolved to accept as correct the Minutes of the Previous Meeting held on 18 March 2018.

3. Report Back from Councillors (Information Only)

Cllr June Brown:

- a. Reported that there was an unresolved dispute between Ribble Valley Borough Council and Onward Homes about who is responsible for the future ongoing maintenance of the grass verges on corner of Green Park and George Street. The grass had become tall and with the imminent Whalley In Bloom Regional Judging Competition Mr G Chadwick from Whalley Lions had kindly strimmed the area. This came about as a result of June Brown asking Geoff who was mowing at the Library.
- Reported that Abbey Gardening was working very hard in preparation for the Regional Whalley in Bloom inspection. The area to the rear of Vale Gardens had be replanted as requested.
- c. The public litter bin on Station Road near the Almshouses had disappeared. Mandy to ask Ribble Valley Council about the whereabouts.
- d. An audit of Parish Council owned benches in Whalley was necessary and the at previously Councillor Mike Reid had agreed to undertake this task. Mandy to speak to Mike Reid and try to set a date.
- e. Cllr Lois Rimmer had reported although the grass verges had been cut on the corner of George Street and Green Park the cuttings had not been taken away and this was blowing all over the area and looked unsightly.

- f. Mandy reported the ENW had come and cleared the Church Walk Substation of litter and did this very quickly.
- g. Mandy to write to G Chadwick to thank him for his help.

4. Lengths man Priorities

Watering of Planters on King Street - In April 2018 (Minute Reference 120/18) the Council approved additional expenditure of 1 hour per week or 4 hours per month equating to £42 per month. The hot weather spell means they are watering 1 hour and 15 minutes per day. In winter the watering will be less. However, this will be recorded in the Lengthsman Timesheets so if there is imbalance this can be addressed at the end of the financial year.

Strimming of brambles on Accrington Road request and completed.

Strimming of public footpath at Calder Vale - heading towards the Weir of the River Calder has been completed.

5. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting would take place on Tuesday 2 October 2018 at the earlier time of 7.00pm at the Old Grammar School.

The meeting ended at 7.30pm.

Signed.....Date.....