

**Simonstone Parish Council
Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting
held on 9th October 2014 at 7.30 pm
in the Old School Simonstone.**

Present- Councillors. , Graham Meloy, Denise Rishton, Dave Waring, Geoff Hodbod, Greera Norse. David Peat.

Apologies.RV Cllr J Hill.

In attendance – The Parish Clerk .

- 14/168** Coun Peat arrived at 7.40pm had been unavoidably delayed and Cllr Meloy was elected to Chair the meeting.
- 14/169** Minutes of the meeting held on 11th September 2014.
It was resolved to approve the minutes.
- 14/170 Declaration of interests.** None declared
- 14/171 Public Participation.** (open forum on any village matter to last no more than 15 mins 3 mins per speaker)
John Barber of the Martholme Group reported that progress had been made as he has found an access from Simonstone Lane on to the track bed leading to Gooseleech Wood he asked for any information that may assist in developing the scheme. The group had developed a staged plan for developing the track which it is hoped would have a better chance of support by funding bodies. He distributed a petition forms supporting the reopening the track He went on to say that he met with County officials who were helpful. The Clerk offered to make enquires of former Councillors.
Coun Peat arrived at 7.40pm
- 14/172** Parish Councillor Nominations - Greera Norse was nominated to become a Parish Councillor.
It was resolved that Greera Norse should become a Parish Councillor.
- 14/173 To consider the following;-**
a. **Drainage** of the Playing field. The Clerk reported that the Landowner had no objection to the Parish Council carrying out maintenance to the field drains.
It was resolved to note the report.
- 14/174 Simonstone Lane** –The Clerk reported that the LCC had not replied to the messages but it was reported that some of the work requested had been done.
It was resolved to note the report.
- 14/175 War Memorial;** the Chairman will gave a progress report and invitations had been sent out that meetings with the School, Church. Fort Vale, and Ribble Valley had taken place and arrangements were progressing satisfactorily and additional donations had been received and that all the costs had been covered with the assistance of volunteer contributions on a budget item. The Clerk reported that 47 acceptances had been received.
It was resolved to note the report.
- 14/176 Christmas and Christmas tree.**
It was resolved that the final arrangements be discussed at the next meeting of the Parish Council and the Clerk arrange for the invitations to be distributed with the members assistance and the tree to be ordered.
- 14/177 Unofficial Survey** of certain residents alleging discussions had taken place between the Parish Council and Huntroyde Estate which was untrue. The Chairman had received a letter expressing concern about the survey.
It was resolved that a copy of the minute 14/160 be placed on the Parish Council's notice boards.
- 14/178 Matters raised by members**
a. **Simonstone Lane.** The Clerk reported that defects had been reported;- Blackburn Road. The flower bed has been mown and Weed killing had been carried out as requested but other matters were still to be addressed.

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It was resolved to note the report.

- a. **Signpost repositioning.** Assistance for the upgrading of the Signpost has been requested and a response is awaited.

It was resolved to note the report and the matter to be considered during the budget discussion.

- b. **Village entertainment.**

It was resolved that be considered during budget discussions.

- c. **Closure of Clitheroe Job Centre-** the Clerk reported that he had responded to the threatened Closure of the Job Centre on behalf of the Parish Council in line with the sentiments expressed by Councillors.

It was resolved to note the report.

Chairman’s reports of meetings with other bodies had been distributed and were discussed report

- a. Martholme group Progress
- b. St Peters School re Memorial Dedication arrangement and Christmas tree switch on arrangements
- c. Forte Vale hosting the Memorial Reception
- d. St Peter’s Church re the Memorial
- e. Thos Rock memorial arrangements
- f. Ribble Valley BC .memorial arrangements.

It was resolved to note the progress in the various of the discussions and action were confirmed and approved.

14/180 LCC.

The Clerk reported a request for agenda items for the 3T Forum meeting on 1st December

It was resolved to note the report.

14/181 RVBC. - Licensing Act 2003 Consultation of draft Licensing Regulations. Comments were requested.

It was resolved to note the report.

14/182 Planning Applications

- a. Applications

Application number 14/060	Officer: :	Grid Reference
Address	Simonstone Trapp Lane Trapp Lane Simonstone	
Proposal	Proposed indoor livery stables, livery, indoor arena and external Riding area	
Parish Council	the Parish Council has no objection to the development subject to the site being adequately screened to prevent lighting disturbing neighbours and wild life.	

Application number 14/0747	Officer Adan Birkett:	Grid Reference 377579 433864
Address	Highfield Tunstead Ave Simonstone	
Proposal	Single Storey Extension	
Parish Council	No objection	

Application number 14/0853	Officer Adan Birkett:	Grid Reference .376915 43442633864
Address	Highfield Tunstead Ave Simonstone	
Proposal	Dormer Extension and alterations	
Parish Council	No objection	

14/183 Finance

- a. **Payment of invoices**

i	I R Hirst//Higher Trapp	Meeting Expenses	£9.75
ii	Fattorini	3 Gilt Bars	£137.52
iii	Huntroyde Nursery	Daffodil bulbs	£120.00
iv	Walne -Engravers	Brass Plaque	£56.10.
v	Thos Rock	Provision of memorial	£1800.00

It was resolved to pay the above invoices.

- b. **Revised Estimates** for the 2014.15 and preliminary budget 2015/16 were discussed.

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14/184 It was resolved that members consider items for inclusion in the budget and let the Clerk know their ideas ASAP so that the necessary quotations can be obtained for consideration at the Budget meeting.

14/185 LALC – A Copy of the annual accounts has been received along with the notice of the AGM 8th November. It was resolved to note the report.

14/186 Borough Councillors reports – None.

14/187 Matters for consideration at a future meeting.
a. Election of a Vice Chairman.
b. Police requesting support for the closure of Back Lane.

14/188 Matters for reporting to the appropriate authorities- None

14/189 Next Parish Council meeting 13th November 2014.

14/190 INFORMATION ITEMS (no decisions incurring finance may be taken on these items)

14/191 RVBC.
a. Planning meeting Agenda for the meeting on the 21th August,
b. Accounts and Audit Committee 25th June 2014
c. Parish Liaison meeting Agenda 11th September 2014.

Part II – Items of business not to be discussed in public, Item of commercial sensitivity

14/192 Discussion re the PC accrual of expenditure so far verses each area of the budget set for this year. Relevant paperwork, so that we can view WAC area and discuss where appropriate.
It was resolved to note the comments .

ITEMS INFORMATION (no decisions incurring finance may be taken on these items)

Chairman’s Signature.....

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