

Simonstone Parish Council
Parish Council Meeting
to be held on 8th February 2018
in the Old School, School Lane, Simonstone
at 7.00 pm
Agenda

18/ 21 Apologies.

18/ 22 Minutes of the meeting held on the 11th January to be approved.

18/ 23 Declaration of interests

18/ 24 Public Participation. (Open forum on any village matter to last no more than 15 mins. 3mins per speaker).

18/ 25 Decision items;

Matters raised from previous meetings;

18/ 26 URC development –

a. Progress has been made and work is proceeding on developing a Business Plan and information has been forwarded to advisors. Their response has been to point out that the Parish Council's Plan has been identified as needing to be updated in order for it to have maximum effect when requests for funding are pursued by the Village Hall Committee as it will have to produce evidence of local support for the taking over of the hall for the benefit of the community.

b. As the development committee has few members most of whom are working, there is a need for assistance in developing the strategies in order to achieve the objective of purchasing the property by the end of the year. The Church Authorities have pointed out that due to the declining membership of the church it has become an important consideration to urge speedy progress in pursuing the handover of the Church to the Community (who's ancestors built the Church as the school) which is the Church's preferred course of action.

18/ 27 Christmas arrangements – invitations had been sent to the caterer and entertainer to confirm their availability to provide their services for Christmas next year as requested and Read Parish Council has been informed of the date of the party. Clerk to report the responses.

18/ 28 Spot on arrangements for the performance of Sam Brady on the 23rd of March in St Peters Church.

18/ 29 Matters requested by members

a. Joint Civic Sunday with Read Parish Council on 3rd June to be held at St Peter's Church followed by a reception at Read Cricket Club.

18/ 30 Meeting of Read Parish Council, Councillors Barker and Hargreaves to report.

18/ 31 Planning Appeal – APP/2016/0434 Erection of gas fuelled electricity generating plant (20mw) to provide standby power.

18/ 32 Martholme Greenway the Clerk has requested that the safety signs be as requested via "report it" and Councillor Meloy to report on progress.

18/ 33 RVBC – Parish Liaison Meeting.

- a. The Legal Officer gave a report on a change to the Parish boundaries and the effect on parish councilor election registration. The Parish is not affected by the changes, however changes to the ward boundaries that affect the Ribble Valley has been changed which means that the Read and Simonstone Ward taking in part of East Whalley. There will still be 2 Councillors for the Ward as before. These changes are to allow for a more equitable number of voters per councilor throughout the Ribble Valley.
- b. She told the meeting that Parish Councillors wishing to stand for election should ensure that they submit their nomination forms in good time well before the closure date and time when the papers should be handed in especially when there have been ward boundary changes as there can be unforeseen problems which could cause the nomination being rejected.
- c. It was suggested that members should complete a Declaration of Interest annually to avoid any mistakes due to misreporting.
- d. Concurrent function grants had this year been changed to allow Lengthsman services to receive the benefit of the fund. However, due to the many different services in the parishes which are carried out by Lengthsmen there is to be a further study into this particular aspect of this grant funding. (the fund allows for 25% to be paid for specified works by the District Council). The Parish Council Claims grants under this ruling
- e. Clitheroe Railway booking office is to be closed though representations are to be made to attempt to retain the service.

- 18/ 34** Correspondence via the website – A complaint was received, the writer was concerned about the increase in dog fouling in the village.–The complaint was forward to Ribble Valley Dog Wardens for their attention.
- 18/ 35** LALC- An application for funding to meet the requirements of the Transparence fund is to be made. Clerk will report progress.
- 18/ 36** Ribble Valley Village Hall Committee The Chairman and Clerk attended, when the future of the committee is discussed and a sub committee is formed, are to make enquires at Community Futures so as to establish a future role for the Committee.
- 18/ 37** The Clerk reported that he had attended a training session and an online ticket booking scheme was available for all venues for Entertainments.The Clerk will report on the process.
- 18/ 38** Finance –the Clerk attended the Webinar and the audit arrangements will in future be paperless and fee free if turnover stays below £25k. though the standard fee for any communication as a result of a misdemeanor will result in an initial fee of £40.
- 18/ 39** Payment of Accounts. None
- 18/ 40** Borough councilors report.
- 18/ 41** Items for reporting to other Authorities.
- 18/ 42** The next Parish Council meeting is on the 8th March 2018 at 7pm.

I Roger Hirst
Parish Clerk

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990
APPEAL UNDER SECTION 78**

Site at: LAND SOUTH OF BLACKBURN ROAD
PADIHAM

Proposed Development: Erection of gas fuelled electricity generating plant (20mw) to provide standby power

Application Reference: APP/2016/0434

Appeal Reference: APP/Z2315/W/17/3187464

Appellants Name: Mr Jason Bradbury
Appeal Start Date: 26 January 2018

I refer to the above details. An appeal has been made to the Secretary of State against the decision of Burnley Borough Council to refuse to grant planning permission.

The appeal will be determined on the basis of **written representations**. The procedure to be followed is set out in Part 2 of The Town and Country Planning (Appeals) (Written Representations Procedure) (England) Regulations 2009, as amended.

We have forwarded all the representations made to us on the application to the Planning Inspectorate and the appellant. These will be considered by the Inspector when determining the appeal.

If you wish to make comments, or modify/withdraw your previous representation, you can do so on the Planning Portal at <https://acp.planninginspectorate.gov.uk>
If you do not have access to the internet, you can send **three** copies to:

The Planning Inspectorate
Room [insert Case Officer's room number]
Temple Quay House
2 The Square
Bristol
BS1 6PN.

All representations must be received by 02 March 2018. Any representations submitted after the deadline will not usually be considered and will be returned. The Planning Inspectorate does not acknowledge representations. **All representations must quote the appeal reference.**

Please note that any representations you submit to the Planning Inspectorate will be copied to the appellant and this local planning authority and will be considered by the Inspector when determining the appeal.

The appeal documents are available for inspection at Contact Burnley, 9 Parker Lane, Burnley between 9am and 5pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and 10am and 5pm on Wednesday

You can get a copy of one of the Planning Inspectorate's "Guide to taking part in planning appeals" booklets free of charge from GOV.UK at <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/taking-part-in-a-planning-listed-building-or-enforcement-appeal> or from us.

When made, the decision will be published online at <https://acp.planninginspectorate.gov.uk>.

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Yours faithfully

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