**Allerton Bywater Parish Council Minutes No 211**

**ALLERTON BYWATER PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of meeting held at St Mary’s Church Annexe, Vicars Terrace,**

**Allerton Bywater**

**Thursday 9th March 2017 at 7pm.**

**Present**

**Councillor S Murray (Chairman)**

**Councillor J Coe**

**Councillor L Tomlinson**

**Councillor M Townsend**

**Councillor J Taylor**

**Councillor G Vickers**

**Councillor M Weaver**

**Apologies for Absence**

**Councillor K Asprey (Holiday)**

**Councillor A Jabin (Work Commitments)**

**Councillor J Trayer (Work Commitments)**

**2. Minutes of Parish Council Meeting 9th February 2017 (210)**

With one minor amendment to Item 3 the minutes of meeting 9th February 2017 (210) were accepted as being a true record. Proposed by Councillor J Taylor, seconded by Councillor M Weaver and accepted by council.

**3. Matters arising from these minutes**

* Skip – The skip in front of the churchyard has now been removed and another one applied for.
* Millennium Community Development – It was noted that the Homes and Communities Agency (HCA) had pressure washed the slippery paved area near the playground.
* Fly Tipping (Opposite Station Terrace down the dirt track) – This was reported to Leeds City Council who have since cleared the area.
* Damaged Fencing on Leeds Road – Two quotes received (£520 and £320), Darren Duxby has carried out the repairs (£320) and has done a fantastic job.
* Litter Bin – The litter bin for the lines at the end of Doctor’s Lane has been ordered and awaiting delivery.
* Rubbish at edge of football field – Councillor K Asprey has reported this to Leeds City Council and asked for it to be cleaned as a hotspot.
* Blocked Drain (Doctors Lane) – Further work has to be undertaken.

**4. Declaration of disclosable pecuniary and other interests**

To disclose or draw attention to any disclosable pecuniary interests for the purposes of Section 31 of the Localism Act 2011 and paragraphs 13-18 of the Members' Code of Conduct. Also to declare any other significant interests which the Member wishes to declare in the public interest, in accordance with paragraphs 19-20 of the Members' Code of Conduct.

**5. Finance Report**

**i. Balance to date**

Petty Cash £ 27.96

Current account £ 22,587.51

Miners Memorial a/c £ 3,359.91

14 day account £ 17,009.92

**Total £ 42,985.30**

**ii. Reconciliation of accounts**

To be completed by Councillor K Asprey

**iii. Audit of stamp book and petty cash**

To be completed by Councillor K Asprey

**iv. Consider any requests for donations and approval**

Donation request received from the Victoria Hotel Residents Group who are holding a street party again this year following last year’s great success and it was unanimously agreed to match the donation given last year of £500.

**v. Payments for approval**

All payments for approval were approved by Councillors as per attached list.

**vi. Budget Update**

To be completed by Councillor K Asprey

**6. Reports from:**

**Council Surgery**

Councillor G Vickers reported that Ward Councillor Mary Harland had advised her to apply for MICE money for Allerton in Bloom.

**YLCA**

No Update

**Planning Sub Group**

No Update

**Allerton in Bloom**

Councillor G Vickers advised that the first meeting of 2017 would be held on Wednesday 22nd March with the spring judging taking place on Tuesday 11th April. It was also confirmed that Allerton in Bloom volunteers are covered under the Parish Council insurance.

It was noted that the bollards on the riverbank had been taken out a few years ago but this now means that cars are parking on the grass and churning it up. Councillor S Murray to speak to Mark Horler (Leeds City Council).

A query was also raised regarding the progress of the display cabinet for the Staithes and it was agreed that this would be raised at the forthcoming AIB meeting.

Councillor G Vickers advised that the plants have been ordered for winter 2017.

Councillor S Murray reported that he has altered the cutting schedule at the churchyard to help to keep it tidy.

**7. Planning applications/planning matters**

1) Clarke Telecom - Proposed base station installation on land by Owlwood Cottages, Doctors Lane, Allerton Bywater. Strongly Object

1) The mast would be far too close to Brigshaw High School.

2) A site outside Great & Little Preston Village Hall, Preston Lane, Great Preston has already been investigated and discounted as it overlooked the nearby Primary School and the Parish Council strongly believe that the above site should also be refused on the same grounds.

**8. To close meeting for 10 minute public involvement, then reopen meeting.** Not Minuted.

**9. Walkways, Recreation and Small Schemes within village**

Councillor J Taylor reported that Path 28 (from Westfields Housing Estate to Brigshaw Lane, Kippax) is in a very poor state and inaccessible, clerk to report to Leeds City Council.

**10. Police Matters**

It was noted that there had been an increase in the amount of burglaries around the village.

**11. Highway Matters**

It was noted that Councillor K Asprey had reported the following issues to Leeds City Council:-

Bollard at the end of Doctors Lane has been knocked down

Bollard opposite Vicars Terrace/Main Street has been knocked down

Large bushes fallen down blocking the pavement on Barnsdale Road near Park Lane traffic lights

Metal fence damaged at traffic lights at the end of Station Road

**12. Flooding Update** – No further update

**13. Correspondence**

Receipt of letter of thanks for the £176.00 donation to Refuge was noted.

**14. Matters for discussion** – No issues raised

**Date of Next Meeting –** Thursday 13th April 2017 at 7pm.

**Signature………………………………………………….. Date……………………….**