

Paper and reduction in new houses for the Harrogate district be discussed at the meeting now postponed from the 2nd Nov to the 16th

6. Accounts

Bank balance is £11,665.10, this includes the second half of parish precept, clerk's wage. The ROSPA inspection of the recreation field invoice just arrived at £66, also £165 for hedge cutting in the field and £7 for recorded letters to HBC and our MP. It was agreed to raise the parish precept for 2018-19 by £166.

7. Planning Applications

Clerk stated the applications made since the last meeting. PE asked the clerk to chase up planning dept on the retrospective application from Abacus as nothing has been seen yet.

DC spoke about the work he has been doing with regards to the potential development on Minskip Rd. Disappointingly no response or acknowledgement from Rebecca Burnett or Kathryn Daley

Nick Stringer, Staveley Action Group, said it was imperative to get Harrogate Boro Council to adopt the Government White Paper and the new method of calculating how many houses are needed as this would reduce the need from 665 a year to 395. There is an online response available to the White Paper and it was suggested that the PC complete this.

8. Allotments

The tenancy agreement for the single allotment in Staveley expired in April 2017 and a new draft agreement was put to the parish council. Concerns over the 25% increase after 1st year. Also allotments in other areas appear to be much cheaper at only £50 a year, with over 65yrs enjoying a 50% discount. Clerk to contact council to discuss these concerns.

9. Staveley Neighbourhood Plan

Andrew Sudron outlined the work he has done to understand the requirements needed to put a Neighbourhood Plan into place. It was agreed that the PC will start to draft a Neighbourhood Plan.

10. Vacancy on Parish Council

The chairman put to the meeting that we have a vacancy and looked for suggestions for a candidate. Nick Stringer stepped forward. DC proposed we accept Nick to the parish council and PE seconded the decision. Clerk to arrange paperwork for Nick to complete.

11. Painting Phone Box

A volunteer in the village has offered to paint the phone box if the paint can be obtained. DC to enquire about getting the right paint.

12. Bungalows Fencing

Bill sent a message as he understood there were plans to fence round the bungalows. Clerk to contact to Bill to see if council needs to be involved.

Meeting closed at 20.45

Next meeting

Tuesday 6th February 2018