

# READ PARISH COUNCIL

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A meeting of the Parish Council was held in Read United Reformed Church on Wednesday 26 June 2013 at 7.30pm.

**Present:** Chairman Councillor Doreen Collinson  
Councillors Clifton Pollard, Lisa Snape, Alan Mashiter, Tony Wilkinson

**In attendance:** Shirley Bridge (Clerk)

**Public participation:** 4 members of the public

1. **Apologies for absence** – apologies were received from Councillors Bennett, Nichols and Waterhouse
2. **Declarations of Councillors' Interest and dispensations**
  - 2.1 **To receive declarations of interest from councillors on items on the agenda**  
None received
  - 2.2 **To receive requests for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests**
  - 2.3 **To grant any requests for dispensations as appropriate**
3. **To approve the minutes of the previous Parish Council meeting (15 May 2013)** – the minutes were approved.
4. **Matters arising** – representatives for the Parish Council Liaison Committee to be amended to Cllrs Nichols and Mashiter. .
5. **Public participation:**

Representatives from the Youth Council attended the meeting and wished to request that the Parish Council consider a skate-park as an alternative to the planned all-weather pitch. This matter will be considered by the all-weather development committee at their next meeting.

The Youth Council have also volunteered to assist at the Senior Citizens Party this year.
6. **Police Report**

In attendance: PCSO Di Bioletti

**Crimes**

Only 1 crime reported – wing mirror knocked off on Simonstone Lane.  
Report on Straits Lane – someone attempted to steal a bird feeder but didn't manage to get away with it.

## **SCAMS**

Bogus traders ringing to sell goods and requesting money up front

Report of parking problems on Hambledon View. Cars parked on both sides of the street. An ambulance called to an address on Hambledon View and was unable to park outside the property.

Parking at school entrance on Greenacres – some very inconsiderate and inappropriate parking by parents collecting children from school. Doreen will mention this at school and perhaps a letter could be sent to parents.

George Lane parking – Di has e-mailed the traffic unit regarding this problem

Footpath 13 – this path has been reported as being littered with dog poo. Di will link with the dog warden and ask for extra patrols and perhaps give out free dog poo collection bags

## **PRIORITIES**

- Speeding
- Dog Fouling
- Anti-Social behaviours Black Hill woods/car park

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## Future meetings:

- *\*Note change of day 27 June 2013 Thursday*
- *\*Note change of day 8 August 2013 Thursday*

### **7. Borough Councillor's Report** – none received

**8.** Allotment Chairman's Report – the Allotment Chairman gave details of the recent changes – two people have given up their allotments as these were both large plots they have split and re-let. Also several sheds have been broken into recently but nothing of great value was taken.

**9. Clerk's Report** – for information

### **10. Reports from external meetings**

#### ***Parish Council Liaison – Cllr Mashiter***

Rural parish councils have complained about the large number of potholes on village roads and that they are not being repaired promptly. The budget for repairs was considered to be inadequate

A Food Bank is to be created by a charity in Clitheroe and donations of food will be requested from Ribble Valley residents

Parish Councils are being asked to check if they have insurance for volunteers.

#### ***Simonstone Parish Council – Cllr Pollard***

Simonstone Parish Council have requested a copy of the recent letter to the resident of White Hill regarding the Shady Walks footpath.

Simonstone Parish Council discussed the repositioning and restoration of the existing finger post sign on Simonstone Lane, Simonstone. This would not be supported financially by Read Parish Council.

War Memorial restoration – grants are available for this work.

### **11. Playground:**

#### **a) To receive the monthly inspection report –**

- Gravel has been noted on the slide.
- The new signs outlining the dog control orders have now been put up. The Clerk was requested to write to RVBC to clarify the dog control order enforcement.

**b) Repairs and maintenance** – The Lengthsman will be requested to make some changes to the path to ensure that no gravel is available to be scattered about. The new 'No Smoking' signs have arrived from Ribble Valley Borough Council and will be put up when the correct fittings are received.

### **12.**

#### **a) Hammond Drive Triangle**

A resident from Hammond Drive has expressed an interest in keeping the triangle mowed and tidy. The Parish Council have no objection to this resident caring for the Hammond Drive triangle.

#### **b) Shady Walks footpath**

An additional letter has been sent to Mr Whittaker, White Hill regarding the concessionary footpath in Shady Walks requesting a meeting to discuss the possible re-opening of this path. To date no reply has been received. A further letter will be sent in July asking for a meeting with Read Parish Council and Dave Padley, Lancashire County Council.

#### **c) Travel expenses for Councillors**

The Parish Council reviewed the arrangements for the claiming of travel expenses by serving councillors. It was agreed to set the rate at 45p per mile for 2013/2014 and to review this on an annual basis.

#### **d) All weather pitch development**

Following an open meeting with interested parties the All Weather Pitch Development Committee reported that they are now recommending that the plans are amended to

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delete the car parking facilities and to take out the floodlights – although the infrastructure will be built in should these be required in the future. The committee will meet with Sutcliffes to report on these changes and ask for amended plans to be drawn up.

The Clerk was requested to investigate the possibility of having a new street light on the car park adjoining the playground.

**e) Chairman's delegations**

**Senior Citizens' Party** – this event is planned for Saturday 7 December 2013 and the Committee tasked with the organisation of this event to include Cllrs Collinson, Pollard, Wilkinson, Snape – the first meeting is planned for Monday 8 July at 6pm at 4 Jubilee Street, Read.

**f) Correspondence**

**Bigger Green bins** – RVBC advising that although the scheme is progressing they have been delayed by some 6 weeks due to issues beyond their control. They have now invited tenders for the supply and delivery of the new bigger green bins.

**LCC** – Part-time, advisory 20mph speed limit at Read St John's Primary School, Straits Lane, Read. Proposal to provide an advisory speed limit outside Read St John's Primary School's main pedestrian access during school opening and closing times. The reason for this proposal is to heighten the awareness of drivers during key school times. The proposed speed limit would extend on Straits Lane, from a point 25metres north from the centre line of its junction with Whalley Road, in a northerly direction, for a distance of approximately 202 metres. This part-time 20mph speed limit would only be operational when warning lights show.

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- Councillor Cynthia Dereli has taken over the role of Parish Champion
- AGM to be held on November 9<sup>th</sup> at County Hall, Preston

## 13. Planning Applications and Decisions

Planning Application No: 3/2013/0411
Proposal: Proposed showroom signage above windows on the front elevation (Re-submission 3/2013/0075)
Location: The Tile Co Friendship Mill, Whalley Road, Read
Received: 13 May 2013
Response required by: 30 May 2013
RESPONSE: The Parish Council have no objections in principal but would ask that permission is conditioned upon advertising lights being switched off between 8pm and 7am.
Planning Application No: 3/2013/0473
Proposal: Proposed single storey extensions to front and rear of dwelling
Location: 29 Beaufort Close, Read, BB12 7QF
Received: 3 June 2013
Response required by: 21 June 2013
RESPONSE: The Parish Council have no objections to this application.

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Planning Application No: 3/2013/0379
Proposal: Proposed removal of existing conservatory and the erection of two dormers and internal alterations
Location: 14 Nowell Grove, Read BB12 7PG
Response required by: 28 May 2013
RESPONSE: The Parish Council have no objections to this application.

## 14a)

### Payments to be authorised

Payee	Type of expenditure	Amount
LCR	Annual magazine subscription	£30.00
United Utilities	Water bill	£156.58
Came & Company	Insurance	£324.67

## b)

### Income:

RVBC	Precept 2013 2014	£7,997.00
HMRC Vat	2012 2013	£2,630.16
Magistrates Court	Bench compensation	£7.87
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## 15. Items for the next agenda:

Senior Citizens Party  
Youth Council  
Dog control enforcement

*The meeting closed at 9.10 pm*