

Chinley Buxworth and Brownside Parish Council

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Clerk's Report – April 2019

Agenda Item 6 (a) – Chinley Community Centre Project – Quotes were received from two architects in respect of the refurbishment project and one architect withdrew from the process. The recommendation to appoint AJS Architecture was approved by a majority of councillors by email to be confirmed at the meeting. The architect has measured up on site and is working towards drawing up plans to submit for planning permission at the end of May. Consideration may need to be given to having a drain survey of all drains attached to the building, both surface water and foul. An update will be given at the meeting.

Agenda Item 6 (b) – Playground Inspection Reports – Weekly inspection reports to be presented at the meeting and any matters arising to be discussed. The Annual Inspections will take place in May 2019.

Agenda Item 6 (c) – Social Media – Consider how we move forward with using Social Media, in particular setting up a Facebook account and having a relevant policy in place.

Agenda Item 6 (d) – Litter Picking Events – Two very successful litter picks took place in Chinley and Buxworth at the end of March and beginning of April. Further to this I have emailed the volunteers involved asking for feedback on the events. This will be shared and we can discuss how to move this initiative forward i.e. do we want to organise such events going forward, if so how regularly and do we want to purchase our own equipment or continue to borrow from High Peak Borough Council.

Agenda Item 6 (e) – Buxworth Car Park – Further to the trench being dug close to Buxworth Car Park and the subsequent clean-up of the Car Park we now need to consider tidying up the track down to the allotments, material of which has been washed down hill and onto the football field. I am awaiting a quote which I hope to present at the meeting.

Agenda Item 6 (f) – Chinley Playing Fields Maintenance – The quote from Bancroft to carry out the annual maintenance of the playing fields in Chinley came to £3,025.80 plus VAT. This is within the budget and has been approved by email but needs ratifying.

Agenda Item 6 (g) – Ride-on Lawnmower – The ride-on lawnmower is now 2 years old. The drive belt snapped in April and a replacement one has been ordered costing £64.54 including delivery and VAT. The company could not invoice the parish council as we do not have a credit account with them so I have paid it and approval is required to reclaim through expenses. In addition the lawnmower now requires a service. A quote will be provided.

Agenda Item 6 (h) – DALC Membership – Approval needs to be given for the annual membership of DALC for 2019/20 and the level of subscription agreed and cost approved.