

# **Chinley Buxworth and Brownside Parish Council**

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## **Clerk's Report – February 2018**

**Agenda Item 6 (a) – Chinley Community Centre Project** – Chair to provide an update. It is likely that the Chair will have a quote for a full survey of the Community Centre that may require approval.

**Agenda Item 6 (b) – Inspection Reports** – Update to be provided at the meeting.

**Agenda Item 6 (c) – Chinley Playground Project** – Designs and quotes from all three potential playground providers have now been received. They have been put up on display in the Parish Room window and I have taken them to Chinley Primary School and the toddler group held at Chinley Community Centre to show them and get feedback. Further, a group of teachers and students from Peak Special School have visited the Parish Room to view the designs and give their feedback and I have written to all of the residents on Lower Lane that could be affected by the new playground in order that they can give feedback should they wish to as well. A report will be circulated prior to the meeting summarising the designs, quotes and feedback with a view to taking a decision on which company to work with going forward. Sally Curley at HPBC has been kept fully up-to-date on our progress and will be offering her feedback prior to the meeting too.

**Agenda Item 6 (d) – Grounds Maintenance** – Disappointingly after no contact from Burleys for a number of weeks, the provider we had asked to quote for our grounds maintenance works, I have finally spoken to their regional director and they are not in a position to provide a competitive quote for us due to our location. They were apologetic that we hadn't been advised beforehand but the person that had come out to meet me initially was no longer working for their company and they had incorrectly understood that he had let me know. We have received a quote from Mark Lomas for a number of items on the tender as well as DCC and HPBC. We now need to decide how to proceed. I'm waiting to speak to DCC regarding our current contract with them as we will now not be in a position to decide on what work we allocate to each provider until the March meeting.

**Agenda Item 6 (e) – Grit bins** – We are still awaiting on DCC installing our grit bin on Stubbins Lane after it was vandalised. They have said it should be done w.c. 19 February. In response to our letter to DCC regarding the salt heaps in New Smithy, DCC have confirmed that they would agree to fill grit bins that we provided rather than leaving salt in a heap on the roadside subject to a suitable location being found to place the grit bins. They have further advised that the Parish Council would remain responsible for the bin and its maintenance i.e. replacement if damaged and also they would be treated as grit piles and should the County Council's policy on providing grit piles change in the future, they may then be unable to continue refilling as a pile. DCC requested that we suggest suitable sites for the grit bin. They note that as we stated in our original email the original piles are being driven over and so the location needs to be sufficient to site a bin safely. I have met with Diana Guthrie to consider the location of the salt heap that she makes use of. There is a further salt heap on Beet Lane. The cost of a bin supplied and installed (exclusive of salt) by DCC is £342.74. We need to consider whether we wish to purchase any grit bins based on DCC's proviso and if so, whether we purchase one or two.

**Agenda Item 6 (f) – s137 Funding Requests** – Further requests have come in from Bugsworth Basin Heritage Trust for landscaping works to improve the open space around the shop and containers, from the WI for a new back door, from Chapel-en-le-Frith Mobile Physiotherapy Service to support the work they do and from Buxworth Cricket Club for support to run and

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maintain their club. Prior to the meeting a summary of all requests will be circulated with suggested donations for discussion and approval at the meeting.

**Agenda Item 6 (g) – Chinley TRO** – Isobel Mulligan has now circulated a copy of the Order, Public Notice, Statement of Reasons and Plans for the proposed changes to parking restrictions in Chinley and Whitehough. An advert has gone out in the Buxton Advertiser and street notices have been put up on lamp posts close to the relevant roads. I have also advertised the Public Notice and Statement of Reasons on the Parish Room noticeboard. The information has also been circulated to Councillors via email. We need to consider whether we would like to make any comments on the proposals.

**Agenda Item 6 (h) – Buxworth Car Park** – It has recently come to my attention that there is a drain from the highway that is diverting water onto land at Buxworth Recreation Ground resulting in damage to the recently laid surface that leads from the Car Park to the allotments. I have emailed Highways Hub at Derbyshire County Council requesting a site visit to discuss this further but as yet I have had no response. DC Cllr Alison Fox is also aware. A further update will be provided at the meeting.

Georgina Cooper - Parish Clerk

19 February 2018