

Chinley, Buxworth and Brownside Parish Council

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Clerk's Report

Agenda Item 6(b) - Co-option - We can now fill the Casual Vacancy by co-option. I am sure you will be pleased to learn that we have had interest shown albeit by only one person. Mr Mike Travis, who is known by some if not all members, visited the office to register his interest and enquire about the procedure. He is intending to make himself available at the meeting to be considered and if co-opted to sign acceptance of office and join the council. Just to remind you of the procedure, his co-option will need to be proposed, seconded and receive a majority vote of those members present.

Agenda Item 6(c) - Community Centre – With regard to Community Right to Build, our application for Neighbourhood Area designation is now under consultation and due to be taken to HPBC Executive on 21st July 2016 and PDNPA within a similar timescale, with provision of a report for their 15th July 2016 Planning Committee. Cllrs Walton and Wilson will report on other progress.

Agenda Item 6(d) - Buxworth Allotments – Work on the car parking provision is complete subject to final checks regarding any discharge of conditions issues and clarification of whether any replacement trees needed to be/have been provided and what proportion of the cost quoted for these is appropriate. Once these issues are dealt with satisfactorily the final payment can be settled. The allotment site is due to be levelled shortly following which the final perimeter fencing and gates can be installed.

Agenda Item 6(e) - Seat at Rosey Bank – Belinda Longson has made a verbal request for our support in gaining permission to place a memorial bench at Rosey Bank, Buxworth. Before considering to grant permission for persons to place benches beside the highway, DCC require Parish/Town Council assurance to undertake responsibility for their maintenance in the event of the applicant failing or ceasing to do so. I hope to receive information in writing to bring to the meeting.

Agenda Item 6(f) - Chinley Summer Fete – Phil Manford/Liz Stillo has requested use of Chinley Playing Fields for the Summer Fete on 17th July 2016 and agreed to provide all documentation required.

Agenda Item 7 - Planning Applications – The planning application for Buxworth Football Club was awaiting my arrival at the office to prepare and post the meeting papers, as was Cllr Wilson's Planning Report. It is therefore not included on the Planning report. A revised version may be made available before the meeting.

Agenda Item 8(a) – Buxworth Old Allotment – As you will be aware a significant amount of additional roofing material was discovered during the clearance work and this required specialised disposal incurring substantial cost not allowed for in the quote, as its presence had not been apparent at that time. The Council's acceptance of the need to deal with this needs to be formally acknowledged and the related costs approved.

Agenda Item 8(b) – Moles at Chinley Playing Field – Phil Manford has reported mole activity on the football field and requested that the Parish Council consider paying for this to be dealt with by the mole catcher. The football club have paid for visits on previous occasions but are currently short of funds. As we have recently approved a contract for similar work at Buxworth I have negotiated what I hope members will agree is a reasonably priced extension to this contract to cover Chinley Playing fields. This will require council approval.

Agenda Item 8(d) – Buxworth Park Flail Topping – I have requested a quote from our previous contractor to present to the meeting for approval. The weather conditions this year have produced an early rampant growth of vegetation everywhere, including this site which is now reportedly in need of immediate attention. Last year this work was only carried out once, which was not considered to be adequate and two flail toppings per year have been advised.

Brenda Wise - Parish Clerk

16th June 2016