

Chinley Buxworth and Brownside Parish Council

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Clerk's Report – June 2018

Agenda Item 6 (a) – Chinley Community Centre Project – Vice Chairman to provide an update from the project group.

Agenda Item 6 (b) – Playground Inspection Reports – Weekly inspection reports to be presented at the meeting and any matters arising to be discussed.

Agenda Item 6 (c) – Annual Playground Inspections – RoSPA Play Safety Inspections have been carried out on Buxworth Playground and Chinley Skatepark/Cycle Facility. A summary report will be circulated prior to the meeting. No new issues/risks have been identified.

Agenda Item 6 (d) – Chinley Playground Project – The playground installation is still on track for w.c. 3 September 2018. We have been advised of a minor layout change. The Spinami (tall rotating item) has had the Free Fall Space requirement updated which is now larger so HAGS have had to shuffle items about to comply. It is now behind the tree close to the swings. Further, the gate in the original quote has been changed as it was initially a pointed one and the fencing company that HAGS are using did not recommend this type. A pre-start meeting is currently being organised with the project manager for early August. It may be sensible to consider what bin and benches may be required now so that these can be researched, ordered and planned in so that they are installed shortly after the playground is finished.

Agenda Item 6 (e) – Buxworth Car Park – Further to the meeting between DCC and Parish Council representatives in May, DCC have written with their proposals to help resolve the highway discharge issues on Buxworth Car Park. These will be presented at the meeting. If we approve for the works to go ahead then there are a number of points raised that we will need to confirm in writing.

Agenda Item 6 (f) – Twinning – An article was included on the front page of the summer newsletter to garner interest from local residents on the possible twinning partnership. A small amount of interest in the scheme has been received. We now need to consider whether we wish to hold a public meeting about it and arrange a suitable date. Juergen Klose has written to explain that the villages of Engelstadt and Bubenheim have established an informal partnership committee and agreed that they would like to establish a partnership with Chinley and Buxworth. The Mayor of Engelstadt, Christoph Neuberger, would like to invite a small committee from Chinley and Buxworth to Engelstadt in the near future to discuss further partnership details and possible joint activities unless we would prefer for them to visit here first.

Agenda Item 6 (g) – First World War Centenary – A report has been circulated containing further information about a possible beacon event including consideration of location, refreshment provision and a local history display. In conjunction with the Chapel-en-le-Frith branch of The Royal British Legion we have written to over 20 local companies to ask whether they would like to support a number of Silent Soldiers throughout the parish. The branch secretary will coordinate any responses and order the Soldiers as required.

Agenda Item 6 (h) – Poppy Appeal Wreaths and Lamp Post Poppies – Tess Warburton, local Poppy Appeal Organiser, has written asking if we can confirm our requirement for Remembrance Sunday Wreaths. The suggested donation for four wreaths is £68, as per last year. Further an additional donation of £50 was made last year. In addition Tess has offered to order the Lamp Post Poppies for us. These are available for a suggested donation of £3 per poppy. 20 poppies would be sufficient to cover the lamp posts that are visible on the usual parade route used on Remembrance Sunday along Lower Lane/Green Lane/Buxton Road and close to the War Memorial.

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Agenda Item 6 (i) – Seating/benches in the parish – Painting of the benches that was approved further to the 2017 bench audit last year has now been completed. Cllrs Drabble and Smith are carrying out the 2018 audit of benches next week and this will be presented at the meeting. Consideration can be given to their recommendation for benches requiring attention this year. Phil Manford has confirmed he would like to be considered for painting the benches again. His prices remain unchanged at £45 to paint wood only benches and £55 to paint wood and metal benches.

Georgina Cooper - Parish Clerk

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