



Balne Parish Council

## Balne Parish Council Meeting Minutes No 230

Date: Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> August 2024 7.30pm in the Parish Room

Attendance: Cllr Andrews, Cllr Lewis, Cllr Kealey, Cllr Faulkner, Cllr Wood

Apologies: None

1. Minutes from meeting no 229 have been circulated prior to this meeting. Proposed to accept as true record. Proposed by Cllr Lewis. Seconded by Cllr Wood
2. Matters Arising – not listed in the main meeting
  - a. West End/Balne Moor Junction Cllr Andrews has had a meeting with Gary Lumb on site. There has been various correspondence with the householder without a conclusion. This situation needs to be resolved. Cllr Andrews has another meeting with Sharon Fox tomorrow. The Council will request all this to be put in writing.
  - b. West End Lane verge damage – Despite contacting the contractor several times without success, Cllr Lewis has another contact to try to resolve the issue.
  - c. Whole Council training – The trainers will not come out for a small council like ours, despite contacting several other councils, no one is interested. – On hold for now.
  - d. Security in the village – Quickline is putting fibre in the village, and they will put a line into the Parish Room free of charge but lead time is unsure at the moment.
  - e. HGV road signage – The original request was turned down, after the meeting with Gary Lumb and the situation was explained, they have agreed to the signs, but we need this in writing. This will also be discussed with Sharon Fox tomorrow.
  - f. To consider the appointment of new Parish Clerk – Cllr Andrews has spoken to someone who may be interested in taking on the role. Whoever takes on this role needs to be on a more professional basis. Is the Council supportive of going forward with the appointment of a new Clerk/RFO. Proposed by Cllr Faulkner Seconded by Cllr Lewis
3. Correspondence: Any received has been forwarded to Councillors for consideration
  - a. Parish Precept 2024/25 & 2025/26. The letter has been forwarded to all Councillors for consideration, it was also read out at the meeting. The precept will need to increase due to increased costs the Council will incur employing a Clerk/RFO
4. Finance: £6058.35 in the bank. All invoices paid. The mandate needs to be amended as soon as the new Clerk is in place. We need to apply for a business deposit card. **Action:** Clerk to apply for the card.
5. Planning:

None received
6. General:

- a. Good Councillor Guide. This is now only available online; it is not published. It was suggested that the link to the Guide is put onto the Parish Council whatsapp group.  
Proposed by Cllr Kealey    Seconded by Cllr Faulkner
- b. Website: The website will be revamped soon, to include information useful to the village.
- c. Cllr Wood and Cllr Faulkner to attend a new councillor's course 'off to a flying start'.  
Proposed by Cllr Andrews Seconded by Cllr Lewis

7. Events:

- a. Review of D-Day event raised £598.65 with no one taking any expenses for items they have paid out for.
- b. V E Day (8<sup>th</sup> May) celebrations 2025 if we do anything it will be lower key. This will be decided in the January 2025 meeting if anything is to be arranged.

8. AOB: Items may be discussed briefly but decisions to be deferred to next meeting, when the item may be discussed in greater detail.

- a. To use the Parish Room on a more regular basis a coffee morning has been suggested also an event around Christmas. A coffee morning to be organised for Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October to raise funds for a charity, it has been suggested Sheffield Children's Hospital.
- b. Several residents have complained about the state of trees on West End Lane, Cllr Andrews will contact Mr A Cooke about dealing with them

9. Date of next meeting: Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2024 7.30pm

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Dated \_\_\_\_\_