

BRAMHOPE & CARLTON PARISH COUNCIL

MEETING OF THE VILLAGE MAINTENANCE GROUP

Tuesday 2 February 2016, 6.00pm at the Robert Craven Memorial Hall

Present:

Cllr Simon Cooper
Cllr Diane Fox
Cllr Hilary Harris
Cllr Martin Fogel
Cllr Peter Lawson
Kate Fraser – Clerk

Apologies:

Cllr Denis Johnson
Brian Taylor – Village Caretaker

1) Matters arising from previous meetings

There were no matters arising

2) Work completed since 5 January 2016

- Assisted in removal of Christmas tree.
- Assisted at internment at cemetery.
- Replaced bulb in floodlight at chapel.
- Tarmaced hole in entrance of car park.
- Cleaned out both grates at car park.
- Ensured grate covers on Breary Lane, Church Hill and Old Lane are clear of leaves and debris.
- Levelled all mole hills at Recreation Ground, to enable fresh ones to be identified.
- Repaired large hole in ceiling of storeroom in pavilion at Recreation Ground
- Assisted Clerk in tree survey at The Knoll, following work by arboriculturists.
- Photographed benches within village, to identify repairs and cleaning.
- Urgent tree work at The Knoll completed

3) Meeting with BiB

A meeting between representatives of VMG (Cllrs Cooper, Harris and The Clerk) and representatives of BiB (including Cllr Lawson at PC/BiB liaison) will take place on Monday. 8th February at 6:00pm

4) Request for Grit Bin on North Mead

A request had been received from a resident via Greg Mulholland MP for a grit bin in North Mead. The request had already been rejected by LCC as not

fulfilling their criteria. VMG agreed that the Parish Council could not fund this grit bin as it would provide a precedent for other requests that could not be fulfilled.

5) Bramhope/Headingley Cricket Club

Headingley/Bramhope Cricket Club are intending to use the Recreation Ground as their first team base in the coming season and had requested a meeting to discuss their plans. VMG agreed that they should be asked to put their detailed proposals in writing to be considered before any possible meeting.

6) Grass cutting arrangements for 2016

The current contractors had offered to continue with the contract for 2016 at no increase in price over 2015. It was decided to continue with the current contractors. They will be asked to include the cutting of verges at Carlton in their schedule. This will incur a small increase in charges.

7) Parish Council exception reports

a) Puritan Chapel – Cllr Lawson had been making enquiries regarding the replacement sign. If a new sign is installed similar to the existing one, there will not be any need to consult further with the Conservation Officer at LCC. It was agreed that such a sign would be desirable. One quotation had already been obtained and another, for comparison, will be sought.

i) Cemetery - Cllr Johnson had had a meeting with a builder regarding the rotunda and a quotation is awaited.

8) Recreation Property Reports

a) The Knoll – All urgent tree work has been carried out satisfactorily.

9) Identify new jobs and agree budget

Cllr Lawson asked if the Village Caretaker could clear leaves and debris from the grass and grave area at the Chapel. Cllr Lawson will prune overhanging hedges.

10) AOB

None

11) Date of Next Meeting - Tuesday 1 March 2016 at 6:00pm