

## **MINUTES of the Council Meeting held on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2020, at 7.00 pm – conducted remotely.**

Present: Cllrs Taylor (Chair), Adams, Bridgeman, Burton, Faraday, Marshall, Stannard and Swales. Cllr Ireton. DCllr Brockbank. The Clerk Christine Downey. And two members of the public.

- 151 Apologies from members unable to attend.
- 151.1 To Note Apologies for absence given in advance of the meeting.  
**Cllr Handford.**
- 151.2 To consider acceptance of reasons for absence.  
**None.**
- 152 Declaration of interests: -
- 152.1 To Note Declarations of Interest not already declared under members Code of Conduct or members register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.  
**Cllr Taylor declared an interest in item 155.2.**
- 152.2 To approve dispensation requests.  
**None.**
- 153 To Receive Comment & Concerns: Public Participation – to hear matters raised by members of the public or Cllrs with an interest (that are allowed to speak) either on agenda items or for future consideration.  
(NB: for non-agenda items Members of the Council are not permitted to respond, except to ask questions for the purposes of clarification).  
**None.**
- 154 To Confirm the Minutes of the previous meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> October 2020. (Paper 2020/107)  
**RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meetings of 5<sup>th</sup> October 2020 are agreed and be signed.**
- 155 To consider and comment upon new planning applications: -
- 155.1 2020/21987/FUL New agricultural entrance into a field at Land to South, Gill Head Farm, Robin Lane, High Bentham.  
**RESOLVED: That the council has no objection to this application.**
- 155.2 2020/22059/FUL Proposed Equestrian Development including change of use of existing agricultural building at Bowker House, Mewith Lane, Low Bentham, LA2 7QD.  
**RESOLVED: That the council has no objection to this application.**
- 155.3 2020/22069/HH Replacement of garden shed with new summer house at 4 Butterbergh, High Bentham, Lancaster, LA2 7FG.  
**RESOLVED: That the council has no objection to this application.**
- 156 To consider and comment upon Tree Protection Order Works Application: 2020/22091/TPO Crown lift all trees in the play area at low Bentham Play area, off Ellergill Lane, Low Bentham, LA2 7DZ.  
**RESOLVED: That the council has no objection to this application.**
- 157 To discuss Open Spaces matters: -
- 157.1 To consider writing to Cedar House School regarding the use of the toddler play equipment.  
**RESOLVED: Clerk to write to Cedar House School.**
- 157.2 To discuss a proposal for what should be included on the new Heritage Trail map, and agree a way forward. (Paper 2020/108)  
**RESOLVED: Clerk to obtain the cost from the two recommended suppliers for an OS map of Bentham with the Heritage Trails show in the different colours.**
- 157.3 To consider asking Thomas Brown to plant the bulbs in the PHPF.

**RESOLVED: Clerk to instruct Thomas Brown to proceed.**

157.4 To consider finding a local technician to maintain the play equipment on PHPF, including re-tensioning the zipwire.

**RESOLVED: Clerk to find a local contractor with the correct certificate/ticket for play equipment maintenance.**

157.5 To review the proposed wording for the PHPF sign and agree a way forward. (Paper 2020/109)

**RESOLVED: To review a revised draft at the next full council meeting.**

158 To consider the correspondence received from Charlotte Munday regarding the Community Youth Building and to agree a way forward and/or a response. (Paper 2020/110)

**RESOLVED: That the survey report can be shared.**

159 Items for next meeting and minor items only:

There will be a social distanced wreath laying service on Remembrance Day. A wreath has been ordered for the council and a representative will attend.

Christmas trees at Town Hall: Cost just for putting them up has been quoted as £80 and will not include removal (or cost of tree). Thomas Brown should be approached.

A resident has passed on her thanks to the council for assistance regarding a grave, and also for the excellent grass cutting at the cemetery.

There is a free bus to Lancaster and Morecambe College that comes through Settle, Ingleton, Bentham, and Wennington 5 days a week, and brings students back after college. This needs to be advertised. The details will be circulated to the Bentham News, and should be added to the council website and Facebook page.

160 Date of next meeting: 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2020.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.32 pm.