

**Minutes of the Meeting of
Gisburn Parish Council held on
Thursday 18 March 2010 at 7.30 pm
In the Festival Hall, Gisburn**

Present: Cllrs Falshaw (Chair), Kirby, Ryde, Tyrer, Borough Cllr Sherras, Clerk

Apologies: Colin Corlett

Minutes of the Meeting of 18 February 2010

The Minutes of the meeting of 18 February 2010 were accepted as a true record of proceedings at that meeting and duly signed.

Police Report

CSO Susan Hartley attended the meeting and provided an update on police calls received for the previous month.

Clerk's Report (Verbal)

The Clerk advised that Giles Bridge had been in contact regarding repairs to the Festival Hall boundary wall, which the Parish Council had originally agreed to fund, to state that the repairs required were now more extensive than envisaged and that he was in the process of obtaining further quotes for the work required.

The Clerk reported that David Ingham of RVBC had expressed an interest in attending any meeting held to discuss the possibility of allotments in the village.

It was noted that the premises of The Cash Cow had been vacated and the wooden structure at the rear of the property had been removed.

Financial Statement

Deposit Account	£2,192.12	Skipton BS Account (FH)	£11,555.95
Current Account	£1,071.39	Skipton BS Account (PC)	£4,000.00

Accounts for Approval

Mrs C Holmes (Clerk)	£100.00
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Parish Lengthsman

The Clerk advised that Matt Absolom had visited Gisburn and been shown briefly what the lengthsman's job involved and was still interested in the position. It was agreed that Mr Absolom should be invited to the next Parish Council meeting in April 2010 to meet

the Parish Council and discuss the post further. John Falshaw and Peter Ryde agreed to meet to discuss possible jobs/projects with which the lengthsman could become involved. The Clerk reported that the Bolton-by-Bowland lengthsman had called her back several weeks after the initial telephone call to say he could possibly be interested but that he had been relieved to discover that another applicant had got the post.

Correspondence/Items for information

The Clerk advised that she had received a letter from the Clitheroe Youth Forum regarding Ribble Valley Remembrance. It was agreed that the Forum be provided with contact details of Mr Bill Pate who was very knowledgeable of the village's history.

A letter had also been received from the War Memorials Trust advising of services they can offer villages regarding their war memorials.

Any Other Business

John Falshaw advised that the new owner of the Post Office had confirmed he would like it to continue to function as a post office and that there had been some interest expressed in running the premises as a shop.

Peter Ryde reported that the Todber Caravan Park was to close completely in winter for six weeks and that security cover would be removed for this six week period.

It was noted that there had been another complaint about Copsy Barn on the Hindley estate being used as a store for furniture but it was explained that Mr Hindley had made an application for temporary permission for such usage and this application had been approved by RVBC. The Clerk agreed to find out what period the application covered.

It was explained that Dr Henderson was retiring as Chair of the Cenotaph Gardens Committee and that regular maintenance of the Gardens might prove to be more difficult after his retirement. It was suggested that Jigsaw be approached to see if they could help and that also the new lengthsman could be asked to assume responsibility for the Gardens if there was no alternative. It was explained that there used to be a rota of volunteers who helped out and that a request for volunteers be made again in the Parish magazine to see what response was gained. It was noted that Dr Henderson had some garden equipment which belonged to the Gardens Committee and that it would be worth looking for possible storage for this equipment if other parties were to take over responsibility for the Gardens.

Date of Next Meeting

Thursday 15 April 2010 at 7.30 pm

