MINUTES OF GISBURN PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON THURSDAY 20 FEBRUARY 2025
AT 7.00 PM

Present: Keith Kirby (Chair) Colin Corlett, John Driver, Darren Jackson, Clerk and one member of the public

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Robert Lancaster

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 23 JANUARY 2025

The Minutes of the meeting of 23 January 2025 were accepted as a true record of proceedings and duly signed.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A response to the letter received from LCC refusing to introduce a reduced speed zone in the village was discussed. It was suggested that a reply be sent requesting that LCC advise a suitable place where residents could cross the A59 in the village. It was also pointed out that speed signs had been either permanently or temporarily placed in the village but the problem of speeding persisted.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Current Account (Lloyds) £10,359

ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL

Mr F Wrathall	Christmas lights	£80.40
Gisburn Primary School	Bio-diversity grant	£600.00

PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND MATTERS

None

PARISH LENGTHSMAN

The lengthsman would recommence work around the village in Spring.

RECREATION GROUND

Trees

The Clerk advised that she had spoken to the recommended tree surgeon who was prepared to meet with Keith Kirby at a mutually convenient time to discuss the trees on the Recreation Ground.

Pavilion

Suggestions were made about what to do with the pavilion and work which could be undertaken on it.

GISBURN PLAYGROUND

Darren Jackson advised that he and Nadine Jackson had been unable to deal with playground issues recently but would now look into the situation further.

A request to plant trees at the top of the playground had been made but this was not wanted due to the potential for anti-social behaviour to take place with the trees providing a screen.

HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS

It was noted that a quote was still awaited from John Cornthwaite regarding the repair of the Recreation Ground wall and the Clerk advised she would chase this up.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

It was noted that the church had declined the offer from Darren Jackson to lock the church yard gates each night in an attempt to curb the amount of dog fouling taking place. The PCC had also not wanted to introduce a ban on dogs in the church yard. It was agreed that this was disappointing, but the parish council had to accept the decision. It was suggested that, if the problem persisted, there could be problems with cutting the grass in the warmer months as the contractor could be affected by the problem.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday 20 March 2025 at **7.00** pm in the Festival Hall, Gisburn