

Joint Buckden Parish Council & Village Hall Trust liaison meeting

Monday 22nd March 2021

3.30 via Zoom

Notes of the meeting

Attendees: Cynthia Alers, Des Foster, Caroline Underwood, Sue Ashwell, Anne Howell Jones, Pauline Steel

Apologies No apologies

Actions from last meeting

DF is awaiting information about printing requirements
CU will resend CIL criteria
All other actions covered in the meeting

CIL

Update on bids to HDC

Both bids were successful

- VHT BID The Valley – the grant is £450k, the project costs were estimated at £468k. There are 3 proposals in for the VHT to consider. Two councillors are in discussion about adding a Trim Trail round the Valley, this will be discussed with the Treasurer and the Chair
- BPC BID Buckden Brampton Cycleway, this is an award of 100k there is an additional £88k to raise

Update on BPC plans for CIL procedures

If BPC is able to have a physical Annual Meeting the consultation on allocation of CIL funds will begin then, there will also be a questionnaire to all residents. **ACTION BPC**

Emergency response

This is still a work in progress AHJ has drafted an initial plan and is waiting for feedback.

ACTION AHJ

Equipment Purchase

This is being progressed, still need to consider the specification for the microphone. Full agreement on equipment needs to be by the end of April at the latest so it can be purchased and installed for use from May 17th onwards. **ACTION DF&BPC**

Grounds issues

- Playground CA raised the issue of expanding and moving the small play area and developing equipment for use of older children. It was noted this was raised by residents in NP consultation. PS mentioned that play area was sited where it is, so it was in sight of Club and Nursery. Any improvements will be fully discussed and planned and will probably link with CIL consultation .

- Trim trail, discussed in relation to Valley bid
- Trees no plans by BPC to plant trees on VHT this had never been suggested

Update from Village Hall Trust

- Storage and pavilion The plan is to get the storage completed this year, currently the quotes for the work are too expensive, working with architect to reduce costs. Bids for funding will be made. The pavilion will be the next project.
- Trustees a new trustee joined and they have met with a new resident who expressed interest in the role and whose background would make them a good fit as VHT Treasurer but nothing is confirmed.
- Post Covid plans in theory the Hall could open mid-April but likely to remain closed until May. The decision about the VH administrator returning to the office will be made in due course following ACRE guidance. BPC would welcome updates on administrator's return to work as this will impact on the decision in relation to the Clerk. ACTION DF

Update from Parish Council

- Neighbourhood Plan awaiting the referendum, information on that will go out to all residents
- Community Action Plan this links with the CIL funding
- Any other matters SA and DF to complete any administration re grant to VHT from BPC

AOB

CA reported that some funds have been offered for a local Charity, CA asked for thoughts on local charities that might benefit, AHJ suggested Scouts and would send on details. **ACTION AHJ**

Date of next meeting

As required