

To Goldshaw Booth Parish Residents,

This month's newsletter covers the main points raised at the Parish Council meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> November 2016.

Matters Arising from Parish Council meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> October 2016.

The Chairman had appealed to Lancashire County Council (LCC) concerning its refusal to reduce the speed limit on Spenbrook Road from 30 mph to 20 mph, between Spenbrook and Newchurch. The appeal was dismissed, citing lack of evidence of accidents on this road. The Parish Council will not give up on this and hope that information that will be supplied by the Speed Indicator Device that we will purchase soon, will give new evidence to back up our campaign,

After Goldshaw Booth Parish Council received a request from 2 residents to fell a number of trees on Spenbrook Road the Chairman approached Pendle Council for advice. The verges where the trees are located are the responsibility of LCC. Consequently, residents must seek permission from LCC before felling could be carried out.

Cllr. Carl Ryder reported that Bethany Widdup completed 6 hours of gardening on Newchurch gardens.

Reports from Councillors

Chris Burt reported that he and Alan Taylor are clearing the public path between Spenbrook and Newchurch. Chris Burt has also met with LCC engineers to inspect the path and they stated that there is no budget to resurface the remaining sections that were not relaid in 2015.

Chris Hudson reported the successful planting of £51.50 worth of bulbs. This was an excellent project and we hope to repeat it next year.

Carl Ryder reported that the bonfire night gathering was a success. This was an event organised by the village events committee, and where the bonfire was built and the site was tidied up by volunteers.

Agenda Items

Best Kept Village Competition – the Council received the judges reports and these will be made available for the public to see in the forthcoming weeks on the Parish Council website and the village noticeboards.

Sparable Wood – the Council has received permission to start the management of Sparable Wood. The Lengthsman will start to fell trees in order to thin out the woodland and the timber is to be stacked to enhance the natural habitat. Please note that the felled timber is not to be removed.

Purchase of Notice Boards . The Council have planned to replace the noticeboards in the Parish and applied for a grant from Pendle Council. We were granted £1000 for this project earlier this year. The Council voted to purchase a free-standing notice board to be placed in the centre of Newchurch at a cost of £990 from Simon Gilbert Joinery. The work should start in the new year.

Other items – there were no objections to the proposed diversion of part of public footpath 25 and there were no objections to the removal of the telephone box in Newchurch.

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