

**MEETING OF GRINDALE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE CHURCH ROOM
GRINDALE ON WEDNESDAY 20TH JANUARY 2016 AT 7.30PM**

PRESENT: Cllrs D W Atkinson, R A Atkinson, H Bingley, R Fletcher, R Jackson, and G Kirk.

APOLOGIES: Apologies for absence received from Cllr. J Taylor

DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY OR NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS:

Re Item 5 on the agenda - Finance

Cllr D W Atkinson declared a pecuniary interest as contractor for burial ground mowing.

MINUTES: The minutes of the meeting held on the 7th October 2015 were approved and signed as a true record.

MATTERS ARISING: Planning application No 15/02199/PLF 5 Front Street, Grindale.

Still to be determined.

Transparency Code Compliance. A domain name, grindaleparish.org.uk, has been purchased and registered for the Parish Council for five years, and an application submitted to the East Riding of Yorkshire Council for them to create the required website.

Maintenance: Some of the requested work, which fell outside the remit of the village taskforce has now been completed, however it was noted that these were fairly minor matters due to budget restrictions. The Parish Council contacted the Highways department prior to Christmas regarding flooding at the junction of the Burton Fleming Road with Gosling Slack. There is a drain on this corner, which is, in all likelihood, blocked. Although 'Flood' signs have been erected, no action has been taken despite a further reminder. It was agreed that the Clerk contact Highways again requesting urgent action.

At this point Cllr D W Atkinson handed over the Chairmanship of the meeting to Cllr R Jackson (Vice-Chairman) taking no part in the next item.

FINANCE a) Precept 2016/2017. Councillors considered budget figures. It was noted with gratitude that H W Atkinson & Son had offered to mow the burial ground during the coming year at the same cost as previously, i.e. £275 plus VAT, a figure that has now remained the same for nine years and is well below market rates. Other costs remained stable and it was noted that some contingency reserve was being built back into the finances. Cllr R A Atkinson proposed, seconded by Cllr R Fletcher and all agreed, that the precept for 2016/17 be set at £1000, the same as the previous two years./*

b) Payments Cllr R Fletcher proposed, seconded by Cllr G Kirk and all agreed, that the following payments be made:

ERYC (Service Agreement - Lighting)	£ 56.21 (£ 46.84 + VAT)
Parish Council Insurance	£ 177.95
CPRE Membership	£ 36.00
HW Atkinsons & Son	
(Burial Ground Mowing 2015)	£ 330.00 (£275 + VAT)
Clerk's expenses	£ 30.00
Hire of Hall (3 Meetings 2015)	£ 30.00
H Bingley- Reimbursement for payment to	
Easily Limited, re Domain purchase/registration	£ 25.90 (£ 21.58 + VAT)

At this point the chairmanship of the meeting was handed back to Cllr D W Atkinson

ANY OTHER BUSINESS: The Clerk advised that a notice had been placed on the village notice board inviting tenders for the grazing licence for the pit site for 364 days commencing on the 24th March 2016. The closing date for tenders is 29th February 2016.

Cllr Fletcher pointed out that the ‘bottlers’ were again excavating on both sides of White Hill. It was agreed that the Clerk notify Highways department as, previously, the excavations had been deemed unsafe, leaving deep holes and going under the road surface.

Cllr Fletcher expressed concerns regarding parking on Mere Lane and the risk of obstruction for emergency vehicles. It was agreed that the Clerk write to all residents on Mere Lane requesting that they ensure that vehicles, including those of visitors, are never left parked on the lane.

Date of next meeting: 2nd March 2016.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared closed at 8.05 pm.

Signed.....
Chairman