

OPEN SPACE AND PLAY AREAS MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 4TH APRIL 2017
AT COLBURN VILLAGE HALL AT 9.30 AM

Present: Cllrs Melanie Bell, Angela Dale, Helen Grant,

In attendance Barry Robertson.

Deputy Clerk Angie Pickersgill

Apologies Cllr Keith Chadwick

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting of the 8th March were approved as a true and correct record of the meeting.

Matters Arising -

Proposed locations of 2 Poo Bag stations in the Colburn Ward - I rang and spoke to Sally Dixon from RDC regarding the committee's proposed places to put the 2 Poo Bag Stations within Colburn. They will not put a station across the road at the business park side due to it been private land. They will consider the top of Colburn Lane and between Colville Crescent and Forest Drive junction. It is still in the planning stages and she will let me know when it is finalised.

Fly Tipping in Colburn Village - Sally Dixon from RDC has also been involved with the fly tipping problem in Colburn Village and has emailed a draft letter which is going to be sent to all the residents of Colburn Village regarding the Fly tipping for approval. All Councillors agreed it was ok to be sent out. Sally to be informed.

No Dogs Signs for the Play Parks - **No Dogs** signs have been ordered and are now ready for collection. Barry is collecting them this week and will be put up in the parks next week.

Open Spaces Budget - The committee asked for the **Play Equipment Capital Fund (repair/replacement)** title in the accounts to be changed **to Open Spaces Fund** and that £5.000 a year to be accounted into the budget for the Open Spaces fund which will encompass the play parks also.

Groundsman update

Barry reported that the soil at Albermarle has now been removed.

All Play parks have been jet washed.

Grass cutting season has begun, he will be cutting the grass for the next 3 weeks so that it keeps it short and neat. Then it will not be cut until his return from holiday.

Barry will be on holiday from Wednesday 19th April until Wednesday 3rd May.

Cover has been arranged for the litter picking and the emptying of the bins while he is away. This will be taking place on a Monday and a Friday and a time sheet will be produced for the work.

Poppy Bench is going to be repaired now the weather has improved.

The 2 new rubbish bins have been put in place.

Goal area at Albermarle is to be seeded and cordoned off with fencing to give the grass time to grow.

No Maintenance issues at any parks.

Meeting closed at 10.30 am

Next meeting will be held on Tuesday 9th May 10.00 am in the Colburn Village Hall, Back room.