

Parwich Parish Council

Minutes

A Meeting of Parwich Parish Council was held on Wednesday, 17th April 2013 at 7.30 pm in Parwich Memorial Hall.

Present: Chairman, R Bunting, J Bennett, M Harrison, E Yeomans, the Clerk, Mrs S Hampson and one member of the public for part of the meeting.

13.4.1 Apologies/Councillors' attendance register

Apologies had been received in advance of the meeting from Ms Healy and Mrs Linnell.

13.4.2 Declaration of personal/prejudicial interest of councillors

There was no need by any member present to complete an entry in the register.

13.4.3 Minutes and items from the previous minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting had been electronically forwarded to all members in advance of the meeting and had been placed on the Blog.

Resolved: The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as a true record of proceedings and signed in the meeting.

13.4.4 Public speaking

There were no items raised during public speaking.

13.4.5 Update from District Councillor

The district councillor was not in attendance.

13.4.6 Highway and footpath issues

Derbyshire County Council (DCC) had not replied to the clerk's email regarding the stretch of highway between Hill Top Farm and Two Dales. DCC had however, advised the clerk that there is no reference in the definitive footpaths register of a public footpath running from the side of the public house to the church.

13.4.7 Parsons Croft

A reply had been received from two residents at West View regarding some aspects of the Parsons Croft area. Members of the parish council reiterated that the car park at Parsons Croft belongs to the parish council. Consideration was given to an appropriate course of action.

Resolved: Clerk to contact Dales Housing

Resolved: Clerk to contact Derbyshire County Council regarding fly tipping

Resolved: Clerk to contact the grounds person responsible for Parsons Croft to spray weeds around the car park and the perimeter of the tennis courts.

Resolved: Clerk to advise the member of the public who raised the issue at the March meeting that the matter continues to be investigated.

Resolved: Item to be placed on the next agenda

13.3.8 Part night street lighting scheme

The scheme will be implemented by DCC and reviewed in 12 months' time.

13.3.9 Memorial Hall

A member of the parish council had reported in advance of the meeting that the parish council own the Memorial Hall. A member of the public kindly attended the meeting and reported further details regarding the history of the conveyance of the land and buildings in 1958. The member of the public also confirmed

the parish council's ownership of the Memorial Hall and surrounding footprint. She explained the trust deed associated with the Memorial Hall and gave a copy of supporting documents to the council.

Resolved: Mr Harrison to establish current insurance values.

Resolved: It was agreed that Parwich Parish Council donate funds for insurance of the Memorial Hall.

13.4.10 Millennium pond monitoring

Mrs Bennett reported a change in enforcement officer at Derbyshire Dales District Council (DDDC). She further reported that both DDDC and DCC believe the parish council to be pro-active regarding flooding issues. Sandbags have been suggested as a trial at an appropriate level to minimise water issues at this location.

Resolved: Sand bags to be ordered in the first instance from DCC.

Resolved: Sand bags to purchased from Lester Lowe if unavailable from DCC.

Resolved: Monitoring to take place by Mrs Bennett and land owner concerned after sandbags have been put in place.

Resolved: Review to take place when the spring has sprung at this location.

13.4.11 Trees

Tree surgery had taken place at Nethergreen. Derwent Treescapes had forward their costs to supply replacement trees for the avenue of trees to be planted at the Nethergreen area and for the stakes, guards etc. Parwich Parish Council to pay for the trees and then Peak District National Park Authority (PDNPA) will then reimburse the parish council for the supply costs but not the cost of planting the trees. Members discussed options for planting. Peak Park rangers can plant the trees but would need assistance. Derwent Treescapes cost £100 to plant the trees.

Resolved: In view of the nature of the location, it was agreed that the trees would have a better chance of survival if they were planted by professionals. Therefore, it was agreed to instruct Derwent Treescapes to plant the trees.

Resolved: Mrs Bennett to contact Derwent Treescapes to arrange tree planting

Resolved: Clerk to check previous emails from PDNPA regarding maximum size of trees which PDNPA will pay for.

Resolved: Tree planting to take place in September; decision to be taken of exact location for each tree.

13.4.12 Speed limit

A reference has been made to a 20 mph village speed limit on the Blog. Members discussed this.

Resolved: Clerk to contact PCSO Wakefield to request a further visit of the MPS van to monitor speed.

13.4.13 Village maintenance and roundabout

Due to the onset of severe weather member had been unable to attend to the roundabout as referred to in previous minutes. The Playsafety (ROSPA) playground inspection is scheduled to take place in less that 4 weeks. The parish council's insurance company had also provided some alternative safety inspection details. The condition of the slide was also discussed.* Both painting and powder coating the metallic frame were discussed to improve condition and appearance. A public consultation regarding the playground could be considered in the future. The results could then be used to influence future precept budget planning.

Resolved: To instruct the local tradesman to carry out necessary ground work to enable the roundabout to be reinstated on condition of work being completed by 7th May.

Resolved: ROSPA specific height to be checked in relation to distance between roundabout base and ground to advise tradesman.

Resolved: Mr Harrison and Mr Yeomans to advise the clerk of contact details of companies prepared to carry out powder coating of the slide.

Resolved: Mrs Bennett to take photographs of slide to enable clerk to forward to companies referred to above.

Resolved: Clerk to contact companies regarding powder coating the play ground slide to establish costs and time frame to complete.

Resolved: Safety inspection of playground area to remain with existing company this year.

A large 'dumpy' bag of sand has been placed opposite the public house. Damage was caused to the rear of the football pitch during the process of the pond clearance. Members questioned whether the bag of sand had been placed there in connection with restoration of the football pitch. A roller will be required to restore the football pitch.

Resolved: Clerk to ascertain if 'dumpy' bag of sand has been placed by DCC.

Resolved: Clerk to ask Mrs Linnell to provide an opinion on the football pitch.

13.4.14 Pump Hill

Derbyshire County Council (DCC) had not responded to the clerk or to Ms Healy regarding Pump Hill.

Resolved: Members of the parish council to revisit Pump Hill prior to attending the annual meetings in May.

Resolved: Clerk to contact DCC to check the definitive footpaths regarding Pump Hill.

13.3.15 Annual meetings

Apologies had been received in advance from the First Responders for the parish annual meeting. Due to previous hall hire commitments the annual meetings will take place in the meeting room.

Resolved: Members to consider position of Chairman for 2013-14.

13.4.16 Annual parish council planning including village projects

As part of future council planning and future village projects, the sports pavilion was raised. The pavilion is in need of attention both in the short term and longer term to ensure it is preserved for the benefit of the community. (*Also see the play ground slide referred to in item 13.4.13 as an additional village project).

Resolved: Local tradesman to be contacted for an initial assessment of the pavilion and to establish a priority of tasks which need to be completed.

13.4.17 Mowing date

Grass has now grown sufficiently to instruct the mowing contractors to commence.

Resolved: Clerk to instruct contractors to commence as soon as possible.

13.4.18 Risk assessments for football pitch

Resolved: Mrs Linnell to be consulted to ensure necessary risk assessments are put in place regarding the football pitch.

13.4.19 Historic plaque maintenance

The parish council has been advised that by an architectural restoration expert that the restoration of the historic plaque in the bus shelter needs to be carried out by a monumental mason. The bus shelter was also discussed. It is in need of some attention, particularly clearing.

Resolved: Mr Yeomans to forward contact details of a professional regarding the plaque.

Resolved: A local tradesman to be approached regarding maintenance of the bus shelter.

13.4.20 Items of account, general administration and clerk's salary

Cq 1097	S Hampson	£141.57	April clerk's salary
Cq 1098	S Hampson	£100	Annual premises allowance
Cq 1099	Parwich Memorial Hall	£10.00	Hire
Cq 1100	DALC	£150.42	Annual subscription

Cq 1101	DDDC	£888	Water course clearance, new litter bin
Cq 1102	Tree Tech	£400	Tree surgery at Nethergreen
Cq 11103	S Hampson	£11.80	Reimbursement of expenses

The VAT refund for the financial year ending 31.3.13 had been submitted by the clerk and received in the sum of £610.49.

13.4.21 Planning and planning sub-committee

There was nothing to report from the planning sub-committee. Two proposals had been received in connection with the refurbishment and alteration to outbuildings to a garden room at Gardeners Cottage, Kiln Lane.

Resolved: The parish council support sympathetic restoration of outbuildings to a garden room.

Resolved: Clerk to advise PDNPA.

13.4.22 Correspondence and communication, including electronic communication

Included: Came and Co Insurance play inspection information, ROSPA inspection notification, volunteer service, notice of county council elections (on noticeboard). Mrs Bennett provided some information from Rural Action Derbyshire - a scheme is now available for the purchase of low cost, refurbished computers in rural areas. Mrs Bennett reported that an item regarding this has been placed on the Blog. Mr Harrison reported that a further Rural Broadband meeting would be taking place at Matlock the week following the parish council meeting.

13.4.23 Items for next agenda

Millennium pond monitoring, playground, bus shelter, pavilion, accounts. Additional items to be compiled by the clerk.

13.3.23 Date of next meeting

The date of the next parish council meeting is 15th May 2013. This will be the annual parish council meeting. Prior to this, on the same evening, will be the parish annual meeting which will commence at 7.00 pm. The meetings will take place in the meeting room of Parwich Memorial Hall.

The meeting was declared closed at 9.45 pm.

Mrs S Hampson
Clerk to the Parish Council
21st March 2013

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