

Parwich Parish Council

Minutes

A Meeting of Parwich Parish Council was held on Tuesday, 12th June 2012 at 7.30 pm in Parwich Memorial Hall.

Present: R Bunting, C Healy, J Bennett, N Linnell, the Clerk, Mrs S Hampson and three members of the public.

12.6.1 Apologies/Councillors' attendance register

Apologies received from Mr Dale and Mr Harrison. Apologies also received from the District Councillor.

12.6.2 Declaration of acceptance of office

Mrs Linnell duly completed the acceptance of office form due to absence from the annual parish council meeting in May.

12.6.3 Prejudicial interest forms

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

12.6.4 Minutes of the previous meeting and items from the minutes

The word 'again' was added into the minutes under item 12.5.10. The minutes were signed by the chairman as an otherwise true record.

12.6.5 Update from the District Councillor

The district councillor was absent.

12.6.6 Public speaking

A resident sought clarification and the rationale regarding the parish council's objection to the installation of air to air units at Rathborne Croft and Smithy Close and provided some information regarding the present condition of the flats. The councillors advised the resident that their decision was based on information provided with the proposal and stood by the decision. Some other residents had advised some members of the council that they were pleased with the council's decision regarding the applications.

Resolved: The resident was provided with contact details at the Peak District National Park Authority and was advised to submit his personal statement regarding the proposal.

A request was made to use the pavilion in connection with some PTA events and end of school term party.

Resolved: Permission was granted subject to there being no clash with any tennis club bookings.

Out of pocket expenses to the previous long standing clerk were raised, primarily due to some issues in changing the correspondence address at the bank.

Resolved: The expenses to be submitted to the clerk for reimbursement.

The applicant for the erection of 2 wind turbines in Parwich parish provided information regarding the revised proposal on his land. He advised that the size of each turbine was smaller than the first proposal for one large turbine. He also confirmed that this proposal did not require further support from a noise report or archaeological report

Resolved: Due to the absence of three councillors it was agreed to defer the decision on the proposal to the planning sub-committee.

Resolved: Clerk to seek an extension to the consultation period.

12.6.7 Update from PCSO and Safer Neighbourhoods

PCSO Cleveley was present and reported that there have been a few burglaries in the area. A police presence for the evening of Parwich Wakes was requested. Road closure for the wakes was also discussed. There were no items to report from the recent Safer Neighbourhood meeting which would affect Parwich. Hopefully, Mr Walker would be able to attend the next Safer Neighbourhood meeting.

Resolved: PCSO Cleveley to attend to the requests for the wakes.

12.6.8 Localism Act

The code for the parish council to adopt, related to the above Act, was discussed. Derbyshire Dales District Council (DDDC) and the National Association of Councils (NALC) had each produced a version. The NALC version had been received through the Derbyshire Association of Local Councils (DALC).

Resolved: It was agreed that Parwich Parish Council should adopt the NALC version.

Resolved: Clerk to advise DDDC accordingly.

12.6.9 Pavilion

Some of the councillors had met with residents who had expressed an interest in using the Pavilion for catering purposes and some matters had been discussed, including toilet facilities.

Water meter readings had been taken prior to the most recent caravan rally. Readings and water usage to be monitored as a comparison. £185 had been received from the caravan rally. Increasing income from this source was discussed.

Resolved: Clerk to make enquiries with Peak District National Park Authority (PDNPA) regarding the permitted number of small caravan rallies during any 12 month period and how to become a registered site.

It was reported that the dustbins at the tennis courts are not being emptied and that there was a small leak at the water meter.

Resolved: To prevent a potentially large fee from Severn Trent Water Authority for lost water if the leak becomes worse it was agreed that the matter needed immediate attention. It was thought the repair would cost less than £250, therefore, it was agreed to approach local tradesman to ensure achievement of a prompt repair. Contact details for the tradesman to be forwarded to the clerk.

12.6.10 Outcome of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee

It was agreed that the events surrounding the jubilee had been very successful. Ms Healy was thanked for her considerable involvement with the co-ordination of events. Mrs Kirkham was also acknowledged for the catering along with all other persons involved in the various jubilee activities. Approximate numbers in attendance were provided to Ms Healy in connection with a grant from Age UK. The clerk reported that the grant recently submitted to DDDC had been successful in the sum of £100 but a small number of photographs of the event were required by DDDC.

Resolved: A few photographs to be submitted to the clerk, for onward submission to DDDC, as part of the grant.

12.6.11 Outcome of the stream clearance

The parish council expressed thanks to the small number of people who participated in the stream clearance outside of the members of the parish council. A few concerns had been expressed regarding the timing of the clearance but in view of the subsequent high volume of rainfall, it was considered that the date had been appropriate. It was reported that a small section of wall near the Millennium pond may soon need attention.

Resolved: Due to the lack of support at the stream clearance, the parish council discussed the future clearance of the parish council section of the stream and considered it likely to have to utilise paid contractors in the future.

Resolved: The school to be approached to hopefully encourage children to take a pride in their community.

12.6.12 Outcome of the parish annual meeting

Members reported a positive response to the parish annual meeting which was a pleasant event.

Resolved: It was hoped that this style of event could develop and become an established feature on the calendar.

12.6.13 The Roundabout, football posts and ROSPA

The clerk reported that the playground was on automatic inspection and it was imminent. Local tradesmen had been approached but no quotes had been forthcoming. The roundabout is almost seized. Quotes had been received from two specialist companies for both repairs and replacement of the roundabout but these were quite different. Ground preparation and matting were included in the quotes.

Resolved: Clerk to seek clarification and obtain like for like quotes from each of the two professional companies. A guarantee of workmanship and parts would be required.

Young people within the community had done exceptionally well in raising funds from a sponsored car wash to purchase new goal posts. £341 had been raised. Enquiries had been made on the internet for replacement posts which were very expensive. The young people had selected their chosen posts from a catalogue. Monies to be deposited with the parish council.

Resolved: Parish council to order the goal posts and pay the additional sum. Clerk to request an invoice for payment.

The pitch will require marking and to be kept shorter

Resolved: Experienced member of the council to arrange for the marking to take place for a 7 aside pitch.

12.6.14 Rental income from parish land

The peppercorn rent from a resident had been received. Bagshaws had been in contact with both the clerk and the chairman regarding the tenant farmers.

Resolved: Council to await the outcome of the rent review from Bagshaws.

12.6.15 Pump Hill

Some options were discussed for the land including allotments.

Resolved: A decision about the use of the land to be deferred until next year.

12.6.16 Items of account

Cq 1048	S Hampson	Annual premises allowance	£100
Cq 1049	B Wood	Internal audit fee	£29.80
Cq 1050	S Hampson	Salary	£150.16
Cq 1051	HMRC	Income tax	£154.40
Cq 1052	S Hampson	Reimbursement of expenses	£12.99
Cq 1053	P Lownds	Mowing	£180

12.6.17 Annual plan

The clerk had forwarded some details for an annual plan to all members.

Resolved: The plan to be an evolving document, which may be supplemented through regular meetings.

12.6.18 Highway issues

No new issues to report.

12.6.19 Planning applications and planning sub-committee

An enquiry had been received seeking support prior to a planning application at Dam Farm.

Resolved: The parish council agreed to support the suggestion in principle but await the official application.

As detailed above, a revised application for two wind turbines had also been received. The applicant provided further information during public speaking regarding the application.

Resolved: The application to be considered by the planning sub-committee. Clerk to seek an extension to the deadline to enable all members to consider the proposal carefully.

12.6.20 Correspondence

Included: ArtsMATTERS, Audit Commission - scale of fees may change next year as the provider may change, PDNPA statement of community involvement. NatWest further document received to change the correspondence address. DALC chief officer to retire shortly; successor details provided.

Resolved: Clerk to contact Mr Wood at DALC to thank him for his dedicated support to the council and to welcome his successor at any future meetings.

12.6.21 Items for the next agenda

Broadband initiative, goal posts, pitch, roundabout and ROSPA report, income from parish land and caravan income, refuse collection from tennis courts in addition to regular items

12.6.22 Date of next meeting

18th July 2012

The meeting was declared closed at 9.55 pm