

**MINUTES of the meeting of the GRASSMOOR, HASLAND AND WINSICK PARISH
COUNCIL held on 8 February 2006 at the Grassmoor Community Centre.**

PRESENT

Councillor Mrs E A Hill (in the Chair)

Councillors I F Barlow, A H Booker, P Broadhurst, C J Clarke, Mrs M Dovinson, B Garbutt and Mrs E Greenall.

Three members of the public attended the public participation session.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Three members of the public attended the meeting to discuss the position regarding Gill Lane Allotments. The Allotment Association had cut the hedge back. It was agreed that the glass and debris would be cleared and that in future the hedge would not be cut back by the Association. The shed which was in a very poor condition would be removed in the near future. The Association were advised that in future they should seek the permission of the Parish Council before erecting any structures other than small sheds.

The Association had taken steps to ensure that no further shooting was taking place on the allotment site. The Clerk agreed to confirm these matters in writing to the Association.

POLICE/PARISH LIAISON

PC Richard Siddall attended the meeting to update the Parish Council on crimes committed in the Parish since the last meeting. It was reported that there had been 7 incidents of criminal damage and 5 of theft. Incidents of egg throwing by young children on New Street had also been reported. There had been 3 instances of women being followed by a man in the Country Park. Needles had also been thrown in to a property at Winsick.

224. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Mrs P J Hemsley, R W Marriott and D Rowland.

225. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTERESTS

Councillors Mrs E A Hill declared a prejudicial interest in the item relating to Planning Matters (Minute No. 241) and Councillor Mrs M Dovinson declared a personal interest in the item on Clerks/Responsible Financial Officer and Handyperson/Streetcleaner Pay Award 2006/2007 (Minute No. 240). Councillors Mrs E A Hill, A H Booker, C J Clarke and Mrs M Dovinson declared a prejudicial interest in the item relating to Grassmoor Community Centre (Minute No. 229).

226. **MINUTES RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 11 January 2006 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

227. **ITEMS IN EXCLUSION**

There were no items to be taken in exclusion.

228. **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chairman reported that the Parish Council and the Community Centre had been mentioned in a good practice guide on community engagement and local leadership published by the National Association of Local Councils and the Commission for Rural Communities.

229. **GRASSMOOR COMMUNITY CENTRE**

Councillor I F Barlow (in the Chair)

The Chairman reported that Pam Hemsley had resigned as Community Centre Manager. The Management Committee would be meeting in the near future to discuss the arrangements for managing the Centre.

The Clerk was asked to contact Mr Singh to enquire as to the possibility of the Parish Council purchasing additional land adjacent to the Community Centre in order to provide additional car parking.

RESOLVED that the Clerk contact Mr Singh to enquire as to the possibility of the Parish Council purchasing additional land adjacent to the Community Centre in order to provide additional car parking.

Councillor Mrs E A Hill (in the Chair)

230. **GILL LANE ALLOTMENTS**

Further to the attendance of representatives of the Allotment Association at the public participation session, the Clerk agreed to confirm in writing the arrangements in respect of:-

- the cutting of the hedge between the allotments and the neighbouring farm and the removal of debris and rubbish,
- the removal of old sheds and the erection of new structures on the site.
- the stopping of shooting on the allotments.

RESOLVED that the Clerk confirm in writing to the Association the above matters relating to Gill Lane Allotments.

231. BARNES PARK- PROBLEMS WITH CRICKET BALLS

The Clerk reported on the Risk Assessment undertaken by RoSPA. The assessment suggested that the Parish Council should consider a series of measures both in the short-term and the longer-term. Based on the assessment it was agreed that the Parish Council:-

In the short-term

- Introduce strong plastic meshing to the existing fencing along the North Wingfield Road and Birkin Lane boundaries to prevent cricket balls going through the fencing and on to the highway.
- Allow the hedging along the same boundaries to grow to a higher level
- Consider in consultation with local residents, introducing conifer hedging along the boundary with the housing on Durham Avenue.
- The Cricket Club to “manage” the use of the wickets to ensure that senior matches are not played on the outer wickets at each end of the cricket square

In the longer-term the Parish Council as part of its plans to regenerate the Park as a whole will consider, subject to funding being secured, the following measures:-

- Consider, in consultation with local residents, the introduction of 5m mesh safety fencing along the boundary near the housing.
- The introduction of 2m high fencing along the Birkin Lane and North Wingfield Road boundaries.

The Clerk agreed to contact Zurich Municipal to ensure that they were happy with this course of action.

RESOLVED that the Clerk consult Zurich Municipal on the proposals set out above and report to the next meeting of the Parish Council.

232. BARNES PARK AND WINSICK PARK- GROUNDS MAINTENANCE CONTRIBUTIONS 2006/2007

The Clerk reported that the District Council had confirmed that the grounds maintenance contributions for Barnes Park and Winsick Park 2006/2007 as £3,153. The Council had also confirmed that they were reviewing the contribution formula for future years.

RESOLVED that approval be given to pay the grounds maintenance contributions for 2006/2007 for Barnes Park and Winsick Park in the sum of £3,153.

233. PARTY IN BARNES PARK

The Boot and Shoe had requested permission to hold a party in the park on Carnival day. The Boot and Shoe would be responsible for all aspects of the event including

stewarding and insurance. Entry to the event would be by ticket only. The organisers would make donations to the School and the Parish Council.

RESOLVED that approval be given to the Boot and Shoe to stage the party in Barnes Park event on Carnival Day.

234. LETTER FROM WINSICK RESIDENT

The Clerk reported the receipt of a letter from a resident of Winsick. The letter referred to litter problems in Winsick. The Clerk had asked Streetcleaner to give the matter attention. The letter also referred to the bus shelter at Winsick which had been broken for some time. The Clerk had advised the resident that he was trying to get the repairs undertaken. The resident also complained about speeding traffic. The Clerk agreed to report this problem to the Police.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

235. STREETLIGHT – SMITHY PLACE

The Chairman reported that she had received a request for an additional streetlight on Smithy Place, near the junction with Birkin Lane. The cost of an additional column would be in the region of £1,000.

RESOLVED that the Clerk place an order with the County Council for an additional streetlight on Smithy Place.

236. UPDATE ON GRASSMOOR LAGOONS

There were no matters relating to the Grassmoor Lagoons to report.

237. CCTV SCHEME

The Clerk reported that he had registered the Scheme with the Information Commissioner at a cost of £35.00 per year. It was also a requirement that the Parish Council adopt a formal CCTV Policy which sets out the procedures to be adopted in the event of the Police wishing to access images and where the public wish to access footage. The Clerk circulated a draft policy and it was agreed that this be adopted. The Clerk had issued a press release which had received good coverage in the Derbyshire Times

RESOLVED that the CCTV Policy be approved.

238 CHERNOBYL CHILDREN LIFELINE

It was agreed that a donation of £300.00 be made to the Chernobyl Children Lifeline.

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239. STANDARDS OF CONDUCT IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT – CONSULTATION PAPER

The Clerk reported on the Government's proposals on the future conduct regime for local government.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

240. CLERK, RESPONSIBLE FINANCIAL OFFICER (RFO) AND STREETCLEANER/HANDYPERSON – PAY AWARD 2006/2007

The Clerk reported that the Clerk and RFOs pay award of 2.95% for 2006/2007 had been agreed by the National Association of Local Councils and the Society of Local Clerks. It was agreed that the pay award be approved and that the Street Cleaner/Handyperson be paid the same award this year and in future years.

RESOLVED that (a) the Clerks/RFOs pay award of 2.95% for 2006/2007 be approved; and

(b) the Streetcleaner/Handyperson be subject to the same award for 2006/2007 and also in subsequent years.

241. PLANNING MATTERS

Councillor I F Barlow (in the Chair)

The Clerk reported on the following planning applications received since the last meeting;

Application No.	Description	Comments/objections/Material considerations
06/00097/FL Manor House, Winsick (Mrs S Hobson)	Side extension to bungalow	No objections to this application were raised.
05/01368/FL 16 Chapman Lane (Mr M Fairburn)	First Floor Extension	The District Council had granted planning permission.
05/01324/FL 42 Churchside, Hasland (Mr M Youd)	First Floor Bedroom Extension	The District Council had granted planning permission.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

Councillor Mrs E A Hill (in the Chair)

242. DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS (DALC) - CIRCULARS

The Clerk presented for the Parish Council's information DALC Circulars 1/06, 2/06, 3/06, 4/06, 5/06, 6/06, 7/06 and 8/06.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

243. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

The Clerk presented the accounts due for payment and it was agreed that cheques be signed as detailed below.

RESOLVED that approval be given for the payment of the following accounts:-

<u>CHQ NO.</u>	<u>PAYEE</u>		<u>AMOUNT</u>
SO	R Ackrill (Salary - Feb)	£	544.84
SO	M Dovinson (Salary - Feb)	£	326.57
SO	C Winnard (Salary - Feb)	£	204.58
DD	Powergen (Pavilion Supply - Feb)	£	23.00
DD	NEDDC (Rates)	£	57.00
DD	Car Phone Warehouse (Mobile Phone)	£	1.50
1994	Inland Revenue (Tax & NI - Jan)	£	392.88
1995	I Walton (TV Licence Scheme)	£	190.80
1996	Cheque Cancelled		
1997	Grassmoor Community Centre (Room Hire)	£	39.00
1998	NEDDC (Dog Bins)	£	114.10
1999	R Ackrill (Reimbursement of expenses)	£	46.94
2000	Derbyshire County Council (Newsletter)	£	264.38
2001	Glasdon UK Ltd (Litter pickers)	£	52.80
2002	R Ackrill (Reimbursement of expenses)	£	36.66

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Chairman