

**MINUTES of the meeting of the GRASSMOOR, HASLAND AND WINSICK PARISH COUNCIL held on 12 July 2006 at the Grassmoor Community Centre.**

**PRESENT**

Councillor Mrs E A Hill (in the Chair)

Councillors I F Barlow, B Garbutt, Mrs E Greenall, K Hemsley and Mrs P J Hemsley.

**QUALITY PARISH COUNCIL STATUS PRESENTATION**

Councillor A Cooke, DALC Accreditation Panel and Brian Wood, Secretary of DALC attended the meeting to present the Parish Council with the Quality Parish Council Award. Councillor Betty Hill accepted the Award on behalf of the Parish Council. The Clerk agreed to issue a press release regarding the award.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

One member of the public attended the meeting during the public participation session.

**POLICE/PARISH LIAISON**

PC R Siddall attended the meeting to update the Parish Council on crimes committed in the Parish since the last meeting. There had been 15 recorded crimes since the last meeting. Nine of the crimes related to incidents at the Miners Arms. Damage had been caused to a property on Mill Lane as a result of a domestic incident. There had been 2 other domestic incidents and an assault on Burns Drive. There had been a burglary on Scott Close and damage had been caused to a vehicle on Wenlock Walk.

PC Siddall expressed concern over the arrangements for the Party in the Park event which had been held on Carnival Day. In particular there were problems in controlling access to the event.

Concern was expressed that residents of Gill Lane had been posting official Police "no parking" stickers on vehicles parking on the Lane. PC Siddall indicated that this practice had been agreed as a way forward with Inspector Durham following one resident writing to the Chief Constable about the problems. The Parish Council considered that local residents should not be allowed to "police" the problem when the legal position regarding the Lane had not been formally clarified. The Clerk agreed to contact Inspector Durham regarding this matter.

**325. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors A H Booker, C J Clarke, M Dvinson, R W Marriott and D Rowland.

**326. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTERESTS**

Councillor Mrs E A Hill declared a prejudicial interest in the item relating to Planning Matters (Minute No. 342).

**327. MINUTES RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 14 June 2006 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**328. ITEMS IN EXCLUSION**

There were no items to be taken in exclusion.

**329. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no Chairman's announcements.

**330. GRASSMOOR COMMUNITY CENTRE**

There were no matters to report relating to Grassmoor Community Centre.

**331. CO-OPTION OF PARISH COUNCILLOR**

It was agreed that Keith Hemsley be co-opted on to the Parish Council. Councillor Hemsley completed the declaration of acceptance of office.

**RESOLVED** that Keith Hemsley be co-opted on to the Parish Council until the next ordinary elections of the full Parish Council.

**332. BARNES PARK - PROBLEMS WITH CRICKET BALLS**

The Clerk had not yet been able to arrange the site visit with Mick Arnold to discuss the available options regarding the Park.

**RESOLVED** that the report be noted.

**333. YOUTH SERVICE – SUMMER ACTIVITIES IN BARNES PARK**

The Clerk reported that the Youth Service were planning to stage safety activities for young people in Barnes Park in August and they were seeking a donation of £60 towards the cost of the event.

**RESOLVED** that a donation of £60 be made to the County Council to cover the costs of the activities in Barnes Park to promote youth safety.

**334. MILL LANE ALLOTMENTS**

The Clerk reported that he had received written confirmation from the Pigeon Club that the area they currently occupied would be returned to allotment land should they ever vacate the site.

The Pigeon Club had suggested that the section of land at the rear of the land occupied by the Pigeon Club would be an ideal location for a disabled allotment plot. The Parish Council considered that this was a good idea and it was resolved that the Allotment Association be asked to pursue the idea with a view to having funding identified for the project within 6 months.

The condition of the area of the allotments alongside the Working Men's Club continued to be of concern. The Clerk agreed to pass on these concerns to the new Committee.

**RESOLVED** that (a) the report be noted;

(b) the Allotment Association be asked to pursue funding for the introduction of a disabled allotment plot within a timescale of 6 months; and

(c) the Clerk write to the new Allotment Committee to express concern over the condition of the area of the allotments running alongside the Working Men's Club.

**335. GILL LANE ALLOTMENTS**

The Clerk reported that he had been advised that the caravan had now been removed from the site as requested.

**RESOLVED** that the report be noted.

**336. GRASSMOOR LAGOONS**

There was no further information to report in respect of the Lagoons.

**RESOLVED** that the report be noted.

**337. COMPOSTING FACILITY AND COUNTY COUNCIL DEPOT**

The Clerk reported that he had received a consultation document from the Derbyshire Development Plans Joint Advisory Committee detailing proposed sites for waste management within the County, one of which was the former Cory Coal site. The Clerk agreed to submit the Parish Council's objections to the proposals regarding increased traffic, noise pollution and odour problems.

The County Council had agreed to representatives to attend a public meeting which was to be held on 19 July at 6.00pm at the Community Centre. Parish Councillors were asked to make every effort to attend. It was agreed that the Parish Council

organise a campaign against the proposals and that reasonable costs could be incurred to support campaign activities.

**RESOLVED** that (a) the Clerk respond to the consultation document expressing the Parish Council's objections on the basis detailed above; and

(b) the Parish Council organise a campaign against the proposals and authorisation be given to incur reasonable expenditure undertaking campaign activities.

**338. FOOTPATHS – CHAPMAN LANE**

The County Council had assessed the condition of the footpaths on Chapman Lane. The conclusion was that whilst the paths looked somewhat unsightly, there was very little actionable that could be done and they were in a generally safe condition.

**RESOLVED** that the report be noted.

**339. THE YOU PROJECT – REQUEST FOR DONATION**

**RESOLVED** that the request for a donation from the "You" Project be not acceded to.

**340. DERBYSHIRE COALITION FOR INCLUSIVE LIVING (DCIL) – REQUEST FOR DONATION**

**RESOLVED** that the request for a donation from the DCIL be not acceded to.

**341. DEINCOURT SCHOOL – REQUEST FOR DONATION**

The Clerk reported that he had clarified the legal position with DALC and was satisfied that the Parish Council could give a donation for the purposes of Deincourt School's Big Arts Month.

**RESOLVED** that the Parish Council in accordance with its powers under Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972, incur expenditure of £300 towards Deincourt School's Big Arts Month, as in the opinion of the Council, the expenditure is in interests of the area or its inhabitants and will benefit them in a manner commensurate with the expenditure.

**342. DERBYSHIRE CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY CENTRE, SKEGNESS – REQUEST FOR DONATION**

**RESOLVED** that the request for a donation from the Derbyshire Children's Holiday Centre be not acceded to.

**343. PLANNING MATTERS**

Councillor Mrs P J Hemsley (in the Chair)

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

<b>Application No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Comments/objections/Material considerations</b>
06/00404/FL  Land off Mansfield Road, Winsick  (Hallam Land Management Ltd)	51 affordable dwellings	The District Council had refused planning permission.

**RESOLVED** that the report be noted.

Councillor Mrs E A Hill (in the Chair)

**344. DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS (DALC) - CIRCULARS**

The Clerk presented for the Parish Council's information DALC Circulars 21/06, 22/06, 23/06 and 24/06.

**RESOLVED** that the report be noted.

**345. PARISH COUNCIL ACCOUNTS 2005/2006**

The Responsible Financial presented the Parish Council accounts for 2005/2006 and sort authorisation for the Chairman to sign the Declaration of Accounts for return to the Audit Commission.

The Internal Auditor had approved the Parish Council accounts.

**RESOLVED** that (a) the Parish Council accounts for 2005/2006 be approved; and

(b) the Chairman be authorised to sign the accounts on behalf of the Parish Council.

**346. ACCIDENT – BARNES PARK (The Parish Council agreed to consider this matter as an urgent agenda item as possible legal/insurance proceedings may be taken against the Parish Council.)**

The Clerk reported that an accident had occurred in Barnes Park on Carnival Day, 1 July 2006. A little girl had cut her foot on broken glass near the War Memorial. The girl's mother had written to the District Council regarding the incident and they had passed the letter on to the Parish Council. It was unclear exactly what the intention of the letter was. The Clerk proposed to write to the girl's mother and to also to advise Zurich Municipal of the incident.

**RESOLVED** that (a) the report be noted;

(b) the Clerk write to the girls mother; and

(c) the Clerk advise Zurich Municipal of the incident.

**347. 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 - July)	£	544.84
SO	M Dovinson (Salary - July)	£	326.57
SO	C Winnard (Salary - July)	£	204.58
DD	Powergen (Pavilion Supply - July)	£	23.00
DD	NEDDC (Rates - July)	£	57.00
SO	R Ackrill (Salary - Aug)	£	544.84
SO	M Dovinson (Salary - Aug)	£	326.57
SO	C Winnard (Salary - Aug)	£	204.58
DD	Powergen (Pavilion Supply - Aug)	£	23.00
DD	NEDDC (Rates - Aug)	£	57.00
2045	Man Installations (Bus Shelter repairs)	£	1219.65
2046	R Ackrill (Reimbursement of expenses)	£	19.97
2047	JS Marriott (Internal Audit)	£	200.00
2048	Plantscape (Hanging Baskets)	£	2,261.88
2049	Deincourt School (Donation)	£	300.00
2050	Derbyshire County Council (Youth Project)	£	60.00

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**Chairman**