

MINUTES of the meeting of the GRASSMOOR, HASLAND AND WINSICK PARISH COUNCIL held on 10 January 2007 at the Grassmoor Community Centre.

PRESENT

Councillor Mrs E A Hill (in the Chair)

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

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public attended the public participation session.

POLICE/PARISH LIAISON

PC Richard Siddall attended the meeting to update the Parish Council on crimes committed in the Parish since the last meeting. There had been 7 recorded crimes during this period, five of which had been detected. These included 2 domestic assaults, 1 dwelling burglary (not detected), 2 of damage to vehicles and 2 of damage to property.

Not included in the above figures was an attempted burglary in Barnes Park. The problems of youths drinking around the youth shelter and also in the entrance to Barnes Park off Norfolk Avenue were continuing. Concern was expressed at the parking of vans at the junction on Shakespeare Street close to the junction with Tennyson Way which was blocking the view of drivers of vehicles exiting Tennyson Way.

430. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors A H Booker, C J Clarke, Mrs E Greenall, Mr K Hemsley and R W Marriott.

431. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTERESTS

Councillor Mrs E A Hill declared a prejudicial interest in the items relating to Grassmoor Community Centre (Minute No.435) and to Planning Matters (Minute No. 444).

432. MINUTES RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 13 December 2006 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

433. ITEMS IN EXCLUSION

There were no items to be taken in exclusion.

434. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman reported that Marie Dovinson had been disqualified from office as a Parish Councillor on the grounds of non-attendance at meetings. Councillor Betty Greenall was currently unwell. It was agreed that a bouquet of flowers be sent to Councillor Greenall.

435. GRASSMOOR COMMUNITY CENTRE

The Clerk reported that the Centre Co-ordinator was finding it very difficult to make any progress towards completing the application for funding for the Centre Managers post owing to the need to keep the Centre running on a day to day basis. This situation was unlikely to change in the future. The Parish Council agreed therefore, to fund the post of Centre Manager for up to a year to enable the Centre Co-ordinator to concentrate on the funding bid. The cost of the post was in the region of £22,000 plus on-costs. It was also agreed that as in the previous year, £5000.00 of the Parish Council grant for the financial year 2007/8, be paid to the Centre in advance.

Two applications had been received for the post of Caretaker. Interviews would be held in the near future. The Centre had been successful in applying for a grant to cover the costs of a healthy eating project which included the costs of the Café Co-ordinator for a year.

RESOLVED that (a) the funding of the post of Centre Manager for a period of up to a year in the sum of £22,000 plus on-costs be approved; and

(b) the payment in advance to the Community Centre of £5,000 from the annual grant be approved.

436. BARNES PARK- PROBLEMS WITH CRICKET BALLS

There were no matters relating to this matter to report.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

437. CCTV

The Clerk reported that he and Councillor Mrs Hemsley had met with Gordon Booth of the Derbyshire Chamber and Business Link to discuss the transfer of the running of the CCTV system to Holmewood. As part of the process a review of the camera locations had been undertaken, details of which were presented and agreed.

The Clerk reported on the present position in respect of the broadband connection to 153 Mansfield Road, Winsick. If the Parish Council arranged for the broadband line to be put in to the property, this would be classed as business use and the monthly fee would be significantly increased making the idea too costly. The Clerk was authorised to approach the owner to ask if he would make the necessary arrangements and the Parish Council reimburse him for any costs.

RESOLVED that (a) the revised CCTV camera locations be approved; and

(b) the Clerk be authorised to ask the owner of 153 Mansfield Road, Winsick to make the necessary arrangements for a broadband line to be installed in to the property with the Parish Council agreeing to cover any costs.

438. MILL LANE ALLOTMENTS

The Clerk reported that the letters issued to allotment holders whose plots were untidy by the Allotment Association had not included a time limit in which the work had to be undertaken. The Clerk was asked to ensure that the Association kept the matter under review and that if it was necessary to issue further letters, that a time limit be imposed. It was agreed that the Parish Council provide the Association with a skip to assist with tidying up the site.

RESOLVED that (a) the report be noted;

(b) the Parish Council provide the Association with a skip.

439. GILL LANE ALLOTMENTS

There were no matters relating to Gill Lane allotments to report.

440. GRASSMOOR LAGOONS

The County Council had advised that a draft report had been received from the procurement strategy meeting and some of the recommendations were in the process of being implemented and expressions of interest were being sought from interested remediation companies. Discussions had been held as to whether an outline planning application should be made in advance of appointing a main contractor for them to, at a later date, submit a more detailed application. A Regulators Forum was being established to guide the process.

The site investigations works were almost complete and the consultants, RSKENSR, had prepared a draft report on the contamination results for inclusion in the tender documentation.

RESOLVED that the report be noted;

441. COMPOSTING FACILITY AND HIGHWAYS DEPOT- CAMPAIGN

The Campaign Group had visited a similar composting facility to the one proposed in grassmoor at Edmonton, London. The Group were appalled at what they had seen and the visit had re-affirmed their opposition to such a facility being built in Grassmoor.

RESOLVED that the report be noted;

442. MANSFIELD ROAD, WINSICK – SPEED LIMIT

The Clerk reported that the County Council were proposing to introduce a 40mph speed limit along Mansfield Road Corbriggs roughly from Apple Tree Cottage to the roundabout. It was agreed that no objections be raised to the proposals.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

443. DELIVERY OF NEWSLETTER

The Clerk reported that the person suggested to deliver the Newsletters did not turn 14 until later in the year. The Parish Council did not feel that it was appropriate for someone of this age to be employed to deliver the Newsletters. It was suggested that Horace Jones be approached to see if he would be willing to deliver the Newsletters.

RESOLVED that the Clerk approach Horace Jones to see if he would be willing to deliver the Newsletters on behalf of the Parish Council.

444. PLANNING MATTERS

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

Application No.	Description	Comments/objections/Material considerations
06/0906/OL Residential Development Mr and Mrs Hays	Affordable Housing Outline	The District Council had granted planning permission

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

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

There were no Circulars to consider.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

446. 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 – Jan)	£	560.62
SO	M Dovinson (Salary - Jan)	£	450.23
SO	C Winnard (Salary - Jan)	£	210.57
DD	Powergen (Pavilion Supply - Jan)	£	23.00
DD	Carphone Warehouse (Mobile - Jan)	£	1.30
DD	Information Commissioner (CCTV)	£	35.00
2101	C Winnard (Additional Hours)	£	83.92
2102	Inland Revenue (Tax & NI)	£	504.73
2103	Grassmoor Post Office (TV Licence Scheme)	£	193.50
2104	Grassmoor Community Centre (Room Hire)	£	551.00
2105	NEDDC (Trade Waste)	£	131.98
2106	R Ackrill (Reimbursement of expenses)	£	42.50
2107	Cheque cancelled		
2108	Derbyshire County Council (Newsletter)	£	346.74
2109	Grassmoor Community Centre (Grant)	£	5000.00

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Chairman