

MINUTES of the meeting of the GRASSMOOR, HASLAND AND WINSICK PARISH COUNCIL held on 12 March 2009 at the Grassmoor Community Centre.

PRESENT

Councillor Mrs E A Hill (in the Chair)

Councillors I F Barlow, Mrs J Bedford, Mrs A Browne, B Garbutt, Mrs E Greenall, Mrs P J Hemsley and K Hemsley

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Two members of the public attended the meeting to discuss planning application 09/00030/FL relating to a proposed cattery at 7 Gill Lane, Grassmoor.

POLICE/PARISH LIAISON

PSCO Land attended the meeting to discuss crimes committed in the Parish since the last meeting. There had been 7 crimes reported, 1 theft of motor vehicle, 1 of violence, 1 theft from motor vehicle, 1 criminal damage, 2 non-dwelling burglary and 1 burglary. There had been 7 nuisance calls.

There had been an increase in the number of young people wandering the streets at night. Groups of 20-30 had been observed hanging around cars. The Police were monitoring the situation and action would be taken where appropriate. Damage had been caused to the St John Ambulance building and a youth had been spotted acting suspiciously in the area. A fire had also been lit close to the building and one of the garages on Chapman Lane had also been damaged.

Members of the Parish Council had been invited to participate in the Community Involvement Scheme. The Scheme allowed interested parties to work alongside the Police for the day to gain an improved understanding of how the area is policed. None of those Councillors present at the meeting were interested in the Scheme. The Clerk agreed to make those Councillors who not present aware of the Scheme.

932. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors A H Booker, D Chapman and Ms J A Hill.

933. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTERESTS

Councillors I F Barlow, Mrs J Bedford and Mrs P J Hemsley declared personal interests in the item relating to Grassmoor Community Centre (Minute no. 937 refers).

934. MINUTES RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 11 February 2009 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

935. ITEMS IN EXCLUSION

There were no items to be taken in exclusion.

936. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no Chairman's announcements.

937. GRASSMOOR COMMUNITY CENTRE

The Clerk reported that the Management Committee had been successful in obtaining a grant of £9,446 from Awards for All for publicity for the Centre, activities for young people and a fire evacuation chair. Funding had been confirmed for the 2 laptops to be used in the Café and they had now been purchased.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

938. BARNES PARK

The Clerk reported that he had received 3 written quotes for the proposed works to the war memorial. Quotes had been sought for 3 options:

- Option 1 - block pave existing paved area.
- Option 2 – remove existing paving and replace like for like
- Option 3 – remove existing wall, block pave area around the memorial and erect fence with gate around the area. Level and tarmac disturbed areas.

The Parish Council agreed that they preferred option 3. Three quotes for this option had been received. The quote from A & J Paving was considered to be incomplete and was therefore disregarded. The other 2 quotes were from Acorn Paving and Johnson Surfacing. It was agreed that the Clerk arrange to meet both these companies on site to discuss the works in more detail. The matter would be considered again at the next meeting.

RESOLVED that (a) the report be noted;
(b) the Parish Council agree to undertake the works to the war memorial set out in option 3; and
(c) the Clerk arrange site visits with Acorn Paving and Johnson Surfacing regarding the works to the war memorial.

939. CCTV

The Clerk reported that the Architects for the Methodist Chapel extension had concluded that the damage to the CCTV cable had been caused by vandals.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

940. MILL LANE ALLOTMENTS

There were no matters relating to Mill Lane Allotments to report.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

941. GILL LANE ALLOTMENTS

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

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

942. GRASSMOOR LAGOONS

There were no matters relating to the Lagoons to report.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

943. POLICE OFFICE

There were no new issues to report regarding the Police Office and it was hoped it would be open in the near future.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

944. PARISH PLAN

The Steering Group had met and developed the draft action plan further. The Steering Group would be using the forthcoming photographic exhibition at the Centre on 28 March as an opportunity for local residents to comment on the action plan. Further consultations on the action plan would be arranged.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

945. PARISH COUNCIL NOTICEBOARD

The Clerk reported that he had not yet had the opportunity to meet with Stuart Watts to discuss the location of the noticeboard in the Chapel grounds.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

946. HANGING BASKETS

The Clerk reported that he had received the following revised quotes for the provision of hanging baskets for a contract to provide baskets for a 3 year period.

Plantscape - £3,500.00

Civic Pride - £3,480.00

It was agreed that the Parish Council accept the quote from Plantscape for a 3 year contract. The Parish Council had done business for several years with Plantscape and

were happy with the quality of both the hanging baskets and the service received generally. This was in accordance with Financial Regulation 11(i) (j) which related to obtaining quotes and estimates for work.

RESOLVED that (a) in accordance with Financial Regulation 11(i) (j), the Parish Council enter in to a 3 year contract with Plantscape for the provision of 35 hanging baskets (70 units) in the sum of £3,500.00 per year (fixed); and
(b) the Clerk be authorised to sign the contract on behalf of the Parish Council.

947. INCIDENT AT GRASSMOOR CARNIVAL 2006

The Clerk reported that correspondence had been received seeking compensation for injuries allegedly sustained by a child Kori Marples at the Carnival on 3 July 2006. The Clerk had placed the matter in the hands of the Parish Council's insurers.

RESOLVED that (a) the report be noted; and
(b) the actions of the Clerk in referring the matter to the Council's insurers be ratified.

948. DERBYSHIRE UNEMPLOYED WORKERS CENTRE

The Clerk reported that the Unemployed Workers Centre had requested a donation from the Parish Council to assist with the provision of advice sessions at the Community Centre. In light of the Parish Council's decision to terminate the Citizens Advice Bureau sessions, the Clerk agreed to contact the Unemployed Workers Centre to discuss increasing the number of sessions they provide. The matter would be considered further at the next meeting.

RESOLVED that the Clerk agreed to contact the Unemployed Workers Centre to discuss increasing the number of sessions they provide at the Community Centre.

949. DERBYSHIRE CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY CENTRE – REQUEST FOR A DONATION

RESOLVED not to accede for a request for a donation.

950. FORMATION OF BRIDLEWAY CLUB – REQUEST FOR A DONATION

The Parish Council had received a request for a donation to support the establishment of a local bridleway club.

RESOLVED not to accede for a request for a donation.

951. PLANNING MATTERS

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

Application No.	Description	Comments/objections/Material considerations
09/00133/OL St John Ambulance Headquarters, Chapman Lane. St John Ambulance Brigade	Outline application for 3 houses	The Parish Council agreed to write a letter of support in respect of this application.
09/00030/FL 7 Gill Lane Mrs J Keaveny	Change of use to 7 pen cattery (Amended)	The Parish Council had no comments on this application.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

952. DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS – CIRCULARS

The Clerk presented for the Parish Council's information DALC Circulars 5/09, 6/09, 7/09 and 8/09.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

953. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

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

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

<u>CHQ NO.</u>	<u>PAYEE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
SO	R Ackrill (Salary – March)	£ 472.63
SO	M Dvinson (Salary - March)	£ 479.15
DD	E-on (Pavilion Supply – March)	£ 40.00
DD	Severn Trent (Water Rates - March)	£ 7.52
DD	Carphone Warehouse (Mobile Phone)	£ 2.13
SO	Derbyshire Chamber (CCTV - March)	£ 176.25
2401	D Bacon (CCTV Fee)	£ 40.00

2402	R Ackrill (Salary Balance)	£	10.11
2403	M Dovinson (Salary Balance)	£	16.42
2404	G Huckerby (Salary)	£	327.16
2405	HM Revenue & Customs (Tax & NI)	£	701.83
2406	Grassmoor Community Centre (Staff Funding)	£	1,454.19
2407	NEDDC (School Milk)	£	146.32
2408	NEDDC (Dog Bins)	£	338.70
2409	Advance Group (CCTV Maintenance)	£	172.50
2410	NEDDC (Installation of Dog Bins)	£	262.34
2411	R Ackrill (Reimbursement of Expenses – Lap tops)	£	899.99
2412	Grassmoor Community Centre (Parish Plan)	£	30.00
2413	Grassmoor Community Centre (Room Hire)	£	37.50

.....

Chairman