

MINUTES of the meeting of the GRASSMOOR, HASLAND AND WINSICK PARISH COUNCIL held on 10 February 2010 at the Grassmoor Community Centre.

PRESENT

Councillor Mrs E A Hill (in the Chair)

Councillors I F Barlow, A H Booker, Mrs A Browne, D Chapman, B Garbutt, Mrs P J Hemsley, Ms J A Hill and Mrs L Thomas.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no matters taken in public participation.

POLICE/PARISH LIAISON

PSCO Land apologised for not being able to attend the meeting.

Since the last meeting there had been 6 crimes in total, 2 of violence, 1 of theft from motor vehicle, 2 of theft of motor vehicle and 1 of burglary.

There had been 4 nuisance calls during the same period compared with 11 the previous month. 2 incidents related to the throwing of snowballs, 1 of throwing stones and 1 of riding a quad bike on the Country Park

Reference was made to an incident involving damage to a vehicle which had been reported to the Police who had indicated that the incident would not be investigated despite possibly being picked up on CCTV. The Parish Council were unhappy at this response as it adversely affected public confidence in the Police. Councillor Chapman agreed to take this matter up with the Chief Constable and also raise the issue of public confidence in the Police in Grassmoor in general.

1120. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors Mrs J Bedford and K Hemsley.

1121. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTERESTS

Councillors I F Barlow, Mrs P J Hemsley and Ms J A Hill declared personal interests in the item relating to Grassmoor Community Centre (Minute no. 1125 refers). Councillor I F Barlow declared a personal interest in the item relating to Grassmoor Golf Club considered under Planning Matters (Minute no. 1135).

1122. MINUTES RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 16 December 2009 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

1123. ITEMS IN EXCLUSION

There were no items to be taken in exclusion.

1124. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman informed the Parish Council that she would be going in to hospital for an operation on 5 March. Councillor Mrs Hill also indicated that she intended not to stand as Chairman again at the Annual Parish Council meeting in May.

1125. GRASSMOOR COMMUNITY CENTRE

It was noted that Susan Brighthouse has recently been off work following an eye operation. She was now back at the Centre. It was noted that the lap tops were not yet being used as a double socket needed to be put in place in the entrance.

1126. BARNES PARK

The District Council would be undertaking the fencing repairs along the North Wingfield Road boundary at the earliest opportunity.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

1127. CCTV

The Clerk reported that the works to complete the changes and improvements to camera positions had been delayed as a result of the adverse weather but would be undertaken at the earliest opportunity. It was noted that an anonymous letter had been received from a local resident questioning the need for the camera on Norfolk Avenue.

The Clerk reported that the CCTV survey had now been completed. The results showed that:

- The number of calls for service had reduced from 49 in the 3 month period immediately prior to the cameras being installed to 20 over the last 3 month period. The target figure was 12.
- It was intended that the cameras would bring about a reduction in the number of local residents feeling that anti-social behaviour had increased. The target figure was 37% and the survey results showed that only 14% felt it had increased.
- The CCTV was intended to bring about a reduction in the % of residents who felt unsafe at night in Grassmoor. The original survey indicated that the figure was 41% but the latest survey showed that the result was only 8%.

The winner of the £50 prize for completing the questionnaire was D Ayres with the 2 £25.00 winners being M Slack and D Bailey.

The Clerk reported that he was investigating the current position regarding the charging for the radio watch and shop watch schemes and also the periodic monitoring of the cameras by Advance.

The Clerk agreed to arrange a visit to the Advance offices at Barlborough.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

1128. MILL LANE ALLOTMENTS

There were no matters relating Mill Lane Allotments to report.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

1129. GILL LANE ALLOTMENTS

There were no matters relating Gill Lane Allotments to report.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

1130. PARISH PLAN

The Clerk reported that the Parish Plan Steering Group had not met for several months partly because of a lack of input from some members. There was a danger that the Plan would be dominated by the Parish Council's thoughts which was not the idea of Parish Plans. The Clerk agreed to convene a meeting of the Steering Group to get the Parish Plan process back on track.

RESOLVED that the Clerk convene a meeting of the Parish Plan Steering Group.

1131. GRIT BINS

The Clerk reported that the initial problems of getting the Parish Council grit bins filled had been resolved and the bins had since been filled on several occasions. The feasibility of using another supplier of grit had been investigated. Alternative suppliers could provide the grit at a cost roughly comparable to that supplied by the County Council. The problem was that none of the suppliers were prepared to fill the grit bins. This would mean that somewhere would need to be found to store the grit as well as a practical means of distributing it in to the bins. It was agreed to continue to use the County Council to supply the grit for the Parish Council bins.

It was noted that the new bins outside the Sportsman Inn and also on Mill Lane had been delivered and were full of salt. It was agreed to provide an additional grit bin at the junction of Shakespeare Street and Westhill Lane.

A letter had also been received from Mrs Jackson of Churchside requesting that the grit bin on Churchside be moved further up the Lane in order to avoid non-residents stealing the salt. It was agreed that the grit bin should not be moved. Mrs Jackson also had issues with the streetlighting and pot holes on the Lane. It was noted that

Churchside Lane was an unadopted private lane and therefore no further action was proposed.

RESOLVED that (a) the report be noted;
(b) the Parish Council to continue to order salt for its grit bins from Derbyshire County Council;
(c) the Parish Council provide an additional grit bin at the junction of Shakespeare Street and Westhill Lane; and
(d) the request to move the grit bin on Churchside Lane be not acceded to.

1132. MOBILE LIBRARY VAN

It was noted that the library van was losing customers since it had moved from North Wingfield Road to the point that there was a danger that Grassmoor may lose the service altogether. The Clerk had investigated the cost of providing collapsible bollards in order that the Library van could once again use the main road. The cost of providing 2 collapsible bollards was £560.00 using the District Council. It was felt that more than 2 bollards may be required. The Clerk agreed to liaise further with the District Council and ensure that the works were undertaken as soon as possible.

RESOLVED that the Clerk be authorised to place an order to dispose of the existing bollards and replace them with collapsible bollards in order to allow the Library Van to use North Wingfield as its base.

1133. GRANT APPROVALS

The Parish Council considered a formula for determining how to allocate requests for donations. It was agreed to use the formula on a trial basis.

RESOLVED that the formula for determining the allocation of donations be approved for use on a trial basis.

1134. QUALITY PARISH COUNCIL STATUS

The Clerk was reported that the Parish Council's Quality Status was required to be reassessed in 2010. It was agreed that the Clerk seek the necessary accreditation.

RESOLVED that the Clerk seek to re-accreditation of the Parish Council's Quality Status.

1135. **PLANNING MATTERS**

Application No.	Description	Comments/objections/Material considerations
09/01076/FLH 132 North Wingfield Road Mr L James	Construction of dormer windows to front and rear	The Parish Council had no objections or comments on this proposal.
10/00007/FL Telmere Lodge, Winsick Mr L Wallace	Change of use from overspill car park to hand car wash.	The Parish Council had no objections or comments on this proposal.
09/00864/FLH 30 Sutton View, Temple Normanton.	Construction of rear conservatory	The application had been conditionally approved by the District Council.

It was noted that a letter had been received from Mr N Combes of 2 Norfolk Avenue regarding the current planning application relating to the address. The letter was seeking a copy of the Parish Council minutes for the meeting where the application had been considered and also an explanation as to why the District Council had accepted the Parish Council's comments after the deadline. The Clerk agreed to respond and provide a copy of the minutes. The issue of the deadline however, would be a matter for the District Council to respond to.

The Chairman reported that there were rumours that material from the slag heaps at Clay Cross to be moved as part of the regeneration of the town, was to be brought to Grassmoor Golf Club rather than to the Biwater site. This was obviously a matter of great concern for the Parish Council. It was agreed that the Parish Council issue a press release expressing its concerns over these rumours. It was also understood that Atkinson's were depositing materials on the golf course. The Golf Club had been given permission to fill in and lift the driving range area.

It was noted that the planning application by RRS at Sinfin had been turned down. RRS would however, be continuing with their application at Corbriggs.

RESOLVED that (a) the report be noted; and
(b) the Parish Council issue a press release Clerk submit comments on the rumoured movement of the Clay Cross slag heaps to Grassmoor Golf Club.

1136. DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS – CIRCULARS

The Clerk presented for the Parish Council's information DALC Circulars 61/09, 62/09, 63/09, 64/09, 1/10, 2/10, 3/10 and 4/10.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

1137. 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 – Jan)	£ 499.13
SO	R Ackrill (Salary – Feb)	£ 499.13
SO	M Dovinson (Salary - Jan)	£ 503.17
SO	M Dovinson (Salary - Feb)	£ 503.17
SO	G Huckerby (Salary – Jan)	£ 341.20
SO	G Huckerby (Salary – Feb)	£ 341.20
SO	Derbyshire Chamber (CCTV – Jan)	£ 172.50
SO	Derbyshire Chamber (CCTV – Feb)	£ 172.50
DD	E-on (Pavilion Supply – Jan)	£ 43.00
DD	E-on (Pavilion Supply – Feb)	£ 43.00
DD	Severn Trent (Water Rates - Jan)	£ 15.13
DD	Severn Trent (Water Rates - Feb)	£ 15.13
DD	M Earrye (CCTV Winsick)	£ 157.51
DD	Information Commissioner (CCTV)	£ 35.00
2496	HM Revenue & Customs (Tax & NI - Jan)	£ 726.25
2497	Grassmoor Community Centre (Staff funding - Jan)	£ 1454.19
2498	Petty Cash	£ 100.00
2499	Derbyshire County Council (Newsletter)	£ 622.78
2500	Grassmoor Community Centre (Room Hire)	£ 32.50
2501	HM Revenue & Customs (Tax & NI - Feb)	£ 726.25
2502	Grassmoor Community Centre (Staff funding - Feb)	£ 1454.19
2503	Petty Cash	£ 50.00
2504	Grassmoor Community Centre (Grant)	£ 4940.00
2505	Derbyshire County Council (Grit Bins)	£ 370.65
2506	D Holden (TV Licence Scheme)	£ 129.00

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Chairman