MINUTES of the meeting of the GRASSMOOR, HASLAND AND WINSICK PARISH COUNCIL held on 12 January 2011 at the Grassmoor Community Centre.

PRESENT

Councillor Mrs P J Hemsley (in the Chair)

Councillors I F Barlow, Mrs J Bedford, B Garbutt, K Hemsley, Mrs E A Hill, Ms J A Hill and Mrs L Thomas.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no matters taken in public participation.

POLICE/PARISH LIAISON

PCSO Land apologised for not being able to attend the meeting. It was noted that there had been 13 crimes reported which compared to 8 the previous month. There had been 7 of violence (4 of which related to the same incident), 1 of damage to motor vehicle, 1 non-dwelling burglary, 1 attempted burglary, 1 of theft and 2 assaults on the Police.

There had been only 6 calls relating to nuisance and disorder which compared to 4 the previous month.

DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS

The District Council representative on the Parish Council reported on draft proposals to regenerate the former Avenue Site. The proposals involved a mixture of residential, community, office and employment uses.

1308. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors Mrs A Browne, A H Booker and D Chapman.

1309. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTERESTS

Councillors I F Barlow, Mrs J Bedford, Mrs P J Hemsley and Ms J A Hill declared an interest in the item relating to Grassmoor Community Centre (Minute no. 1313 refers).

1310. MINUTES RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 15 December 2010 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

1311. ITEMS IN EXCLUSION

There were no items to be taken in exclusion.

1312. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no Chairman's announcements.

1313. GRASSMOOR COMMUNITY CENTRE

There were no major matters relating to the Community Centre to report.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

1314. BARNES PARK

There were no matters relating to Barnes Park to report.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

1315. CCTV

The Clerk reported that the suppliers of the CCTV control unit had requested a noise reading from the system in order to ascertain whether or not it was operating within expected levels. Advance did not have any monitoring equipment. It was felt that the best option would be to move the equipment to a suitable location within the Centre. The Clerk and Mrs Councillor Mrs Hemsley would liaise with Advance to look at the possibilities.

The Clerk had contacted Advance regarding the passwords for Councillors Barlow and Hill. Advance would contact both in the near future to make the necessary arrangements.

RESOLVED that (a) the report be noted; and
(b) the possibility of moving the control unit to an alternative location in the Centre be explored with Advance.

1316. MILL LANE ALLOTMENTS

Councillor Garbutt reported that the Allotment Committee were forming a working party to look at moving the container which they had purchased from the Pigeon Club. Once this was moved it would enable work to commence on the raised bed area. It was agreed that the £300 previously allocated for the removal of the container be given to the Association to allow them to buy sleepers to construct the raised beds. It was also agreed that a further £200 be allocated to the Association for materials subject to them providing a similar amount in match funding.

It was also reported that the hedge would be cut back on 16 January.

RESOLVED that (a) the report be noted;
(b) £300 be provided towards the costs of providing the sleepers for the raised beds; and

(c) a further £200 be allocated towards the costs of materials subject to the Allotment Association match funding this amount.

1317. GILL LANE ALLOTMENTS

The Clerk would be collecting the sign for the Allotment Gate and he would ask the Handyperson to affix it to the gate.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

1318. GRASSMOOR LAGOONS

There were no matters relating to the Lagoons to report.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

1319. PARISH PLAN

The Clerk circulated the draft Parish Plan which would be considered further at the next meeting.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

1320. HOLIDAY ACTIVITY PROGRAMME – TUPTON HALL SCHOOL

Darren Norwood, Community Sports Development Manager attended the meeting to inform the Parish Council of the activities undertaken as part of the Cool Stuff for Kids activities provided through Tupton Hall School. Since 2008, some 109 young people from Grassmoor had taken part in the activities. It was agreed that a grant of £1,000 be made to support the continuation of the programme.

RESOLVED that (a) the report be noted;
(b) the Parish Council make a grant of £1,000 towards the cost of the programme in 2011.

1321. REQUEST FOR GRIT BIN – BRACKENFIELD CLOSE

The Clerk reminded the Parish Council that at the last meeting they had turned down a request for a grit bin on Brackenfield Close. Since the last meeting the Residents Association had contacted the Parish Council again to stress that the Close had Doctors and Paramedics amongst it residents and that they needed to be available for work. In addition another resident of the Close had contacted the Council to suggest a possible compromise solution whereby the Parish Council provide a grit bin and the local residents pay half the costs of filling the bin. The Clerk agreed to ask whether the County Council were still providing bins free of charge and the matter would be considered further at the next meeting.

RESOLVED that the request for a grit bin on Brackenfield Close be considered further at the next meeting of the Parish Council.

1322. PARISH ELECTIONS – MAY 2011

The Clerk reported that the costs of a contested Parish Council would be approximately £1,950 and £145 if the election was uncontested.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

1323. PLANNING MATTERS

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

Application No.	Description	Comments/objections/Material considerations
10/01130/OL 143 Mansfield Road, Winsick Mr D Hancock	Replacement of 2 existing dwellings with 2 new dwellings	No objections were raised to this application.
10/00994/FLH Stable Cottage, Churchside Lane, Hasland Mrs Hodgson	Construction of conservatory	The District Council had conditionally approved this application.
10/00991/FL 1 Mill Lane Mr & Mrs Sihota	Conversation of retail unit to 2 flats	The District Council had conditionally approved this application.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

1324. DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS - CIRCULARS

The Clerk presented for the Parish Council's information DALC Circulars 51/10, 52/10, 53/10 and 54/10.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

1325. 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:-

CHQ NO.	PAYEE	AMOUNT	
SO	R Ackrill (Salary – Jan)	£	499.13
SO	M Dovinson (Salary - Jan)	£	513.14
SO	G Huckerby (Salary - Jan)	£	351.26
DD	E-on (Pavilion Supply – Jan)	£	26.00
DD	Severn Trent (Water Rates - Jan)	£	37.92
DD	PWLB (Loan Repayment)	£	10.66
2628	Buster Marquees (Remembrance Sunday)	£	352.50
2629	Grassmoor Community Centre (Staffing – Jan)	£	1,454.19
2630	HM Customs and Excise (Tax & NI)	£	734.79
2631	NEDDC (Trade Refuse)	£	182.99
2632	Grassmoor Community Centre (Parish Council Room Hire)	£	32.50
2633	Grassmoor Community Centre (Working Communities Project)	£	18.00
2634	Georgian Signs (Sign – Gill Lane Allotments)	£	52.88
2635	R.Ackrill (Website - expenses)	£	60.16
2636	Derbyshire County Council (Grit Bins)	£	411.25

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Chairman