

**MINUTES of the meeting of the GRASSMOOR, HASLAND AND WINSICK PARISH COUNCIL held on 14 May 2014 at the Grassmoor Community Centre.**

**PRESENT**

Councillors I F Barlow, Mrs J Bedford, B Garbutt, E Grant, Mrs P J 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 attended the meeting to update the Parish Council on crimes and anti-social behaviour that had occurred since the last meeting.

There had been 7 crimes in April compared to the same number the previous month. These were made up of 1 of damage to vehicle, 4 of violence, 1 distraction burglary and 1 drugs offence. Concern was expressed over the level of drugs activity in the village and it was reported that the Police had undertaken several stop searches in the area.

There had been 5 reported incidents of anti-social behaviour which compared to 6 the previous month. These related mainly to neighbour dispute issues.

It was reported that to date, 7 other Parish Councils had signed up to the scheme to purchase a speed camera for use in the area.

**2056. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN RESOLVED** that Councillor Mrs P J Hemsley be appointed as Chairman of the Parish Council for the ensuing year.

**2057. DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE OF CHAIRMAN RESOLVED** that in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972 the Parish Council Chairman, Councillor Mrs P J Hemsley read and signed a Declaration of Acceptance of Office before the Parish Clerk.

Councillor Mrs P J Hemsley (in the Chair)

**2058. APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN RESOLVED** that Councillor Mrs E A Hill be appointed as Vice-Chairman of the Parish Council for the ensuing year.

**2059. DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE OF VICE-CHAIRMAN RESOLVED** that in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972 the Parish Council Vice-Chairman, Councillor Mrs E A Hill read and signed a Declaration of Acceptance of Office before the Parish Clerk.

## **2060. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors A H Booker and A Browne.

## **2061. 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. 2066 refers). Councillor Mrs P J Hemsley declared a personal interest in the item relating to Planning Matters (Minute no. 2076 refers), specifically the element relating to the former Miners Arms site)

**2062. MINUTES RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 9 April 2014 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

## **2063. ITEMS IN EXCLUSION**

There were no items taken in exclusion.

## **2064. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

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

The Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer recommended that the Parish Council pay off the outstanding loan with the Public Works Loans Board in the sum of £301.72.

**RESOLVED** to (1) approve the payment of the following accounts:-

<b><u>CHQ NO.</u></b>	<b><u>PAYEE</u></b>	<b><u>AMOUNT</u></b>	
SO	R. Ackrill (Salary – May)	£	515.04
SO	M. Dovinson (Salary -May)	£	561.94
SO	G. Huckerby (Salary - May)	£	361.07
DD	E-on (Pavilion Supply - May)	£	45.00
DD	Severn Trent Water (Pavilion Supply - May)	£	12.49
3001	HM Revenue & Customs (Tax & NI - May)	£	673.01
3002	Grassmoor Community Centre (Staff Funding - May)	£	1,454.19
3003	Grassmoor Community Centre (Room Hire)	£	32.50
3004	NEDDC (Cemetery Fees)	£	11,550.71
3005	J Marriott (Audit Fee)	£	200.00
3006	G Huckerby (Stationery)	£	12.82

(2) authorise that the outstanding loan with the Public Works Loans Board in the sum of £301.72 be paid off in full.

## **2065. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chairman reported that PCSO Land was intending to put on various activities for local children over the summer period. It was agreed that the Parish Council fund youth activities up to the sum of £1,000 and that additional funding be made available if necessary.

It was reported that two nominations had been received for the position of co-opted member on the District Council's Standards Committee. It was agreed that the Parish Council cast its vote for Councillor Ted Mansbridge of Clay Cross Town Council.

The replacement bus shelter had been ordered from the County Council and would be erected as soon as possible.

**RESOLVED** to (1) fund youth activities provided by PCSO Land up to the sum of £1,000 and that additional funding be made available if necessary; and (2) vote for Councillor Ted Mansbridge in the election for the co-opted member on the District Council's Standards Committee.

#### **2066. GRASSMOOR COMMUNITY CENTRE**

The Clerk reported that the Community Centre boiler issues appeared to have been resolved. Tina had spoken to the Brownies Leader and it was hoped that there would be no further issues with the WI. The matter would be kept under review.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

#### **2067. BARNES PARK**

The District Council had inspected the tree from which the branches had fallen off and had declared it safe for the time being. If the tree required felling, it was work which was over and above the routine maintenance of the Park and there would need to be a charge.

The Clerk also reported that a resident of Durham Avenue had contacted him to clarify the position of the boundary as they were trying to sell their property. The Clerk had asked the resident to put the request in writing but to date no correspondence had been received. If it was received, the Clerk would respond accordingly.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

#### **2068. CCTV**

The Clerk reported that the School camera needed to be replaced and a quote had been requested from NW Systems. Any costs would fall on the School. The Parish Council camera on the front of the School also appeared not to be working and the problem was being investigated.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

#### **2069. MILL LANE ALLOTMENTS**

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

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

#### **2070. GILL LANE ALLOTMENTS**

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

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

#### **2071. GRASSMOOR LAGOONS/FORMER AVENUE SITE**

There were no matters relating to the Lagoons to report. The Clerk would invite representatives of the County Council and Remedx to attend the June meeting.

Alison Westray-Chapman and Lee Hicklin, from North East Derbyshire District Council attended the meeting to discuss the plans for developing a sustainable community area and facilities on the former Avenue site to go alongside the housing, sporting and commercial development on the site. It was intended to link the site with the Lagoons site. It was estimated that the housing element of the project would be completed within 5 years. The Parish Council were welcome to put forward proposals.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

#### **2072. BIG LOCAL**

It was reported that the next meeting of the Big Local Group was to be held on 21 May. Plans were continuing for the Fun Day on 7 June and volunteers for the event were required.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

#### **2073. BARNES PARK PROJECT**

Details of the revised plans for the Park refurbishment were presented, including the revised layout of the skate park. It was agreed that as planning permission was not required, the Clerk would consult with the residents whose properties are close to the Park to inform them of the revised layout. A resident of Durham Avenue had suggested that the area to the rear of the properties close to the Norfolk Avenue and Durham Avenue entrances to the Park be left as a wildlife area. It was noted that the plans did not involve any equipment being sited in this area.

The Clerk reported that he and the Responsible Financial Officer had met with Derbyshire Association of Local Councils (DALC) to discuss the Parish Council taking out a loan with the Public Works Loans Board as agreed at the April Parish Council meeting. DALC had indicated that they did not foresee any problems with the application which would take around three weeks to process including the permission from the Department for Communities and Local Government.

HAGS SMP had indicated that they would be in a position to start work on the works towards the end of June.

The Clerk reported that he was awaiting confirmation that the County Council would act as Third Party Contributor for the additional funding received from Viridor.

**RESOLVED** to (a) note the report; and  
(b) consult with local residents regarding the revised plans for the Park.

**2074. CULTIVATION LICENCE**

The Clerk reported that all lamp columns tested had past the safety test. A formal application to erect the hanging baskets would be submitted to the County Council in the near future.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

**2075. NORTH EAST DERBYSHIRE LOCAL PLAN 2011-31 - UPDATE**

The Clerk reported that as part of the update of the North East Derbyshire Local Plan 2011-31 the District Council were inviting proposals from landowners and developers for new sites which may be suitable for new housing and commercial development over the next 20 years. It was agreed that the Clerk liaise with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman over any sites where such developments could be located.

**RESOLVED** to authorise the Chairman and Vice-Chairman to identify any sites for development on behalf of the Parish Council.

**2076. PLANNING MATTERS**

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

<b>Application No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Comments/objections/Material considerations</b>
14/00291/FL  Land 5 to 14 Keats Way/Scott  Galiford Try Partnerships	Application to amend house type	The Parish Council had no comments on this application.

<p>13/01211/FL</p> <p>Sunny Bank, Mill Lane</p> <p>EMH Homes</p>	<p>Demolition of garage and erection of 1 bungalow and 6 apartments</p>	<p>The District Council had conditionally approved this application.</p>
<p>14/00387FL</p> <p>Mile Hill House, Mansfield Road, Winsick</p> <p>Mr C Brown</p>	<p>Outline application for residential development.</p>	<p>The Parish Council objected to this application on the following grounds;</p> <p>The access to the site was close to the roundabout.</p> <p>The road is regularly very busy when there has been an accident on the motorway or the Hasland by-pass.</p> <p>There has been a considerable amount of development in the area which will have an adverse effect on local infrastructure.</p>
<p>CW4/0514/12</p> <p>Avenue Site</p> <p>Homes and Communities Agency</p>	<p>Section 73 application to vary planning conditions.</p>	<p>The Parish Council had no comments on this application.</p>
<p>CW4/0514/13</p> <p>Avenue Site</p> <p>Homes and Communities Agency</p>	<p>Land included within the remediation scheme.</p>	<p>The Parish Council had no comments on this application.</p>

Concern was expressed over the condition of grounds at the rear of the former Miners Arms site. The Clerk was asked to report the problem to District Council's Environmental Health Department and to write to the owner directly.

**RESOLVED** to (1) note the report;  
(b) object to the planning application as detailed above; and  
(c) write to the owner of the former Miners Arms site and to Environmental Health regarding the condition of the rear of the premises.

**2077. PARISH COUNCIL ACCOUNTS 2013-14**

The Responsible Financial Officer reported on the Parish Council accounts for 2013-14 and gave Councillors the opportunity to ask questions. The Internal Auditor had provided a positive report and the Statement of Accounts was approved for signing to comply with Audit Commission requirements.

**RESOLVED** to (a) note the report; and  
(b) the Chairman be authorised to sign the Statement of Accounts for 2103/14 on behalf of the Parish Council.

**2078. DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS - CIRCULARS**

The Clerk presented for the Parish Council's information DALC Circular 7/14 and 8/14.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

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**Chairman**