

MINUTES of the meeting of the GRASSMOOR, HASLAND AND WINSICK PARISH COUNCIL held on 14 September 2016 at the Grassmoor Community Centre.

PRESENT

Councillor Mrs P J Hemsley (in the Chair)

Councillors I F Barlow, Mrs J Bedford, A H Booker, Mrs A Browne, B Garbutt, E Grant, Mrs E A Hill, Mrs J A Round-Hill and Mrs L Thomas.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

One member of the public attended the meeting to report issues relating to dog fouling and parking on Broom Drive and Whitmore Avenue. A problem with the state of the garden of a neighbouring property was also reported. It was noted that these issues were not Parish Council matters, but Councillor Mrs E A Hill agreed to take the matter up with the District Council.

POLICE/PARISH LIAISON

The Clerk reported that the Police had advised that it was now policy for the Police to not attend Parish Council meetings as a matter of course. They would however, attend a meeting if there was a specific important matter to be discussed. In addition, the Police would no longer be providing crimes figures as these could be accessed via the www.police.uk website. The Parish Council were concerned about these changes. The Clerk agreed to take the matter up with the local Section Inspector and Councillor J A Round-Hill would take the matter up with the Police and Crime Commissioner.

The Clerk reported that he was hoping to arrange the event on deception crime to coincide with a visit by the Police and Crime Commissioner. The provisional date was 18 October 2016.

PCSO Disney would be contacting Councillors Mrs J A Round-Hill, E Grant, Mrs P J Hemsley and Mrs L Thomas regarding arranging the Community Speedwatch training.

The Clerk reported that Councillor Dean Collins, County Council Cabinet Member for Economy, Transport and Infrastructure had responded in detail to the Parish Council's complaint regarding speeding on Hagg Hill. The problem had been investigated and based on the evidence of injury accidents and guidance on speed limits, it was not practical to reduce the speed limits on this stretch of road. The Parish Council expressed concern over the decision, particularly as the road was regularly used students walking and cycling to school and because there was the new estate on Hagg Hill. It was also felt that speed limits had been reduced in other areas. Concern was also expressed regarding speeding vehicles on North Wingfield Road. The Clerk agreed to report these concerns back to Councillor Collins.

It was noted that the individual involved in the alleged harassment of witnesses had been to Court and had received a suspended sentence.

2582. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor M Grayling.

2583. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTERESTS

Councillors I F Barlow, Mrs J Bedford, Mrs A Browne, Mrs P J Hemsley and Mrs L Thomas declared personal interests in the item relating to Grassmoor Community Centre (Minute no. 2588 refers).

2584. MINUTES RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 13 July 2016 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

2585. ITEMS IN EXCLUSION

There were no items taken in exclusion.

2586. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

The Responsible Financial Officer presented for information, the bank reconciliation to 14 September 2016 which showed an overall balance of £150,039.81. Councillor B Garbutt signed a copy of the reconciliation.

Accounts due for payment and income received were presented and it was agreed that payments be authorised as detailed below:

Date	Details		No	TOTAL	VAT
01/09/16	Severn Trent	Pavilion Water	DD	£13.37	
01/09/16	EON	Pavilion Electricity	DD	£22.00	£1.04
01/09/16	PWLB	Loan Repayments	DD	£3,074.27	
01/09/16	J Marriott (1)	Salary	BACS	£569.03	£27.40
01/09/16	R Ackrill (2)	Salary & Expenses	BACS		
01/09/16	M Dovinson (3)	Salary	BACS		
01/09/16	A Ward (4)	Salary	BACS		
01/09/16	W Morris (5)	Salary & Expenses	BACS		
01/09/16	Grassmoor Community Centre	Grant	BACS	£1,454,.19	
01/09/16	Plantscape	Hanging Baskets	BACS	£566.02	£94.34
01/09/16	NEDDC	Dog Bins	BACS	£790.92	£131.92
01/09/16	Came and Company	Insurance Premium	BACS	£4,159.37	
01/09/16	Whittington Moor Printing	Newsletter	BACS	£1,546.75	
01/09/16	HMRC	PAYE	56	£645.94	

RESOLVED to (a) authorise Councillor B Garbutt to sign the bank reconciliation to 14 September 2016; and
(b) approve the payment of accounts as detailed above.

2587. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

It was reported that Kerry Bailey from Digital Derbyshire was unable to attend the meeting. It was agreed that Kerry be invited to attend the October meeting.

The County Council were holding a County/Parish Liaison meeting on 31 October at 6.00pm at County Hall, Matlock. The Clerk would attend if he was available.

The County Council had responded to the complaints raised at the last meeting regarding Atkinson's hedge. They had indicated that as the hedging was on private land, they had to wait for a complaint to be received each year of for the hedging to become dangerous before they could take action. The Clerk also agreed to contact Stagecoach regarding the encroachment on the bus stop.

The Parish Council needed to adopt internal financial controls and these would be considered at the next meeting.

The Parish Council were disappointed with the standard of the hanging baskets. The Clerk agreed to report the concerns to Plantscape.

2588. GRASSMOOR COMMUNITY CENTRE

The Clerk reported that the Centre had retained its five star Environmental Health rating following a recent inspection.

The Centre Co-ordinator was in the process of arranging the five year fixed wire testing for the Centre electrics. This was a Parish Council responsibility.

Four dates had been arranged for the Super Kitchen, the first being on 24 September.

The pointing agreed at the last Parish Council meeting would be undertaken during the October half-term to avoid disturbing Little Learners. There was an issue with pigeon droppings which were on the play area used by Little Learners. The Centre Co-ordinator was looking at measures to solve the problem.

The Clerk reported that the County Council had issued details of the framework agreement for room hire. The Clerk would work with the Centre Co-ordinator and the Responsible Financial Officer to complete the necessary paperwork.

RESOLVED to note the report.

2589. BARNES PARK

The Clerk reported that the District Council's Village Games Co-ordinator wished to organise a village games week in Barnes Park. The Parish Council agreed to this request.

The Clerk would contact Philip Heath regarding the holly hedging.

Bumps had appeared in the surface of the MUGA, thought to be the result of tree roots. The problems were not covered by warrantee so the Clerk had asked the District Council to look in to the problem. It was also reported that three lights were not working on the MUGA. The Clerk agreed to report the problem to Platinum Electrical.

It was noted that the Pavilion drains had been blocked and the cost of the repair had been £150.00.

The Clerk reported that he had been contacted by an ice cream vendor regarding selling ice cream in Barnes Park in 2017. The Clerk had asked him to provide a quote.

RESOLVED to (a) note the report;
(b) agree to Barnes Park being used for the Village Games Taster Week; and
(c) note the actions of the Clerk regarding the MUGA surface and lighting and the Pavilion drains.

2590. CCTV

There were no matters relating to the CCTV to report.

RESOLVED to note the report.

2591. MILL LANE ALLOTMENTS

The Allotment Association had thanked the Parish Council for supporting the Allotment Open Day and judging the Best Kept Allotment competition. Councillor Barlow and Garbutt had recently inspected that Allotments and it was noted that there were no major issues to report.

RESOLVED to note the report.

2592. GILL LANE ALLOTMENTS

A complaint had been received regarding the hedging on the Allotments at the rear of the Old School House. It was agreed that Philip Heath be asked to cut back the hedging.

RESOLVED to ask Philip Heath to cut back the hedging.

2593. GRASSMOOR LAGOONS

It was reported that there had been some recent activity on the Lagoons. The Clerk agreed to contact the County Council to ascertain the reason.

RESOLVED to contact the County Council to ascertain the reason for the recent activity.

2594. BIG LOCAL

It was reported that the proposed Big Local project to utilise part of the Mill Lane Allotment site as their base and as a youth facility had been changed. It was not now intending to use the site as a Hub but rather a large shed would be erected which could be used as a base for the Allotment Association and also as a "showground". It was still the intention that a toilet be erected on the site. Big Local would fund the toilet and the County Council's Community Priority Fund would be utilised for the shed. The remaining Big Local funding, previously earmarked for this project, would be diverted to assist in providing a youth facility as part of the Pavilion project.

Big Local had been granted planning permission for the noticeboards on Mill Lane and near the Doctors Surgery. The precise locations would be determined. Big Local had also agreed to fund some form of display in the Doctors Surgery.

The summer of activities organised by Big Local had proved very popular. It was agreed that the Clerk write to Big Local to thank them for providing the activities.

RESOLVED to (a) note the report;
(b) grant permission for a large shed and toilet facility to be erected on Mill Lane Allotments; and
(c) write to Big Local to thank them for providing the summer activities.

2595. BARNES PARK PROJECT

The Clerk reported that as detailed in Minute 2594 above, Big Local had changed their plans regarding a Hub and youth facility on the Mill Lane Allotment site. It was now proposed that an extension be added to plans for the new Pavilion to provide space for a youth facility. In return, Big Local would allocate an additional £40-50k to the Pavilion project. The Clerk agreed to ask the Architect to look at revising the plans.

It was noted that a consultation survey had been opened. As a result of the above changes, it might be necessary to re-consult on the proposals.

RESOLVED to (a) note the report; and
(b) to revise the plans for the Pavilion to incorporate a youth facility..

2596. REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

The Clerk reported that this years' Service was to be held on 13 November. The Clerk would make the usual arrangements regarding the bugler and the marquee and he would enquire as to whether Buster Marquees could provide seating.

It was agreed that the School be asked if the Parish Council could use the outdoor public address system for the Service.

RESOLVED to (a) note the report;
(b) to agree to pay the bugler £40.00 for his/her services; and
(c) hire a marquee and chairs from Buster Marquees.

2597. TEMPORARY CLOSURE – PUBLIC FOOTPATH 35

The Clerk reported that Public Footpath 35 was to be temporarily closed between 1 and 21 September 2016 for public safety reasons arising from the remediation works at the Avenue site.

RESOLVED to note the report;

2598. PLANNING MATTERS

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

Application No.	Description	Comments/objections/material considerations
16/00730/FLH 133 North Wingfield Road Mr D James	2 storey side extension	The Parish Council had no objections to this application.
16/00719/FLH 51 Churchside Mr A Walters	Single storey extension	The Parish Council had no objections to this application.
16/00768/FL The Croft, Mansfield Road, Mile Hill	Rehabilitation exercise tank and log cabin	The Parish Council objected to this application on the grounds of usage of the site and the consequent increase in traffic.
16/00579/FLH 7 Cotswold Drive Mr M Beevers	Construction of replacement garage	The Parish Council had no objections to this application.
16/00818/AME ND Windwhistle Farm Harron Homes	Re-positioning of plots	The Parish Council had no objections to this application.

16/00724/OL Hasland Testing Centre Mr C Browne	Development of 10 dwellings	This application had ben conditionally approved by the District Council.
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It was noted that the development of Windwhistle Farm had now met all the conditions attached to the planning application.

RESOLVED to (a) note the report; and
(b) object to the planning application as detailed above.

2599. DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS - CIRCULARS

The Clerk presented for the Parish Council’s attention DALC Circular 11/16.

RESOLVED to note the report.

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Chairman