

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on Tuesday 20th March 2018 at 7pm at Christ Church, Matlock Road, Wessington

Present: Councillors Linda Odell (Chair), Kevin Ryan, Harry Shingleton, Bill Wheatcroft and Ian Bower

Also present: Three members of the public and Anne Chisholm (Clerk)

PART I – NON CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

- 17.200 Declaration of Members Interests - None
Requests for dispensations - None**
- 17.201 To receive and note Apologies for Absence**
Councillor Lewis and Councillor Barnes
- 17.202 Variation of Order of Business- None**
- 17.203 To suspend Standing Orders to allow questions from the public**
Standing Orders were suspended.
- (a) A resident complained about the poor condition of footpath number 8. Cllr Ryan agreed to investigate .
- (b) A report was read out from Cllr Lewis which detailed that works on numerous potholes in a variety of locations had been authorised and works were in the process of being scheduled.
- There was nothing to report from the Police Liaison Committee.
- (c) Nature Reserve Update – A representative for the Nature Reserve reported that the working session planned for 4th March had been rescheduled to 11th March, owing to the snow. Work was being carried out to open up ‘Philips Well’. When completed it was hoped that the area could be included as part of the scheduled mown area. The next working session was planned for 25th March.
The time for the litter pick being held on the same day was changed to 9am – 10am, with work on the reserve being carried out 10am – mid-day.
- 17.204 To reconvene Standing Orders**
Standing Orders were reinstated.
- 17.205 To determine which items if any part of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded. - None**

17.206 Minutes

RESOLVED: To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 20th February 2018.

17.207 Planning Applications

There were no planning applications to consider.

Application number NED 18/00037/FLH

It was noted that an application for a single storey front extension at Glen View Moorwood Moor Lane had been conditionally approved.

17.208 To consider an application for co-option

Cllr. Ian Bower had been formally co-opted onto the Parish Council at the last meeting and was duly welcomed to the meeting.

17.209 To sign the Declaration of Acceptance of Office

Cllr. Bower signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office form.

17.210 Wessington Gala Weekend 2018

It was reported that two marquees would be in place for the event to be held on 7th July. Various activities would take place including Tug of War, Welly Wanging, Fun Dog Agility Course, a variety of stalls and lots of free activities for children. The Horse and Jockey would provide a Hog Roast. A £200 cheque towards the cost of the event had been received. A flyer would be distributed to all households by the end of March with another flyer planned for the end of May. The event would also be publicized in the local press.

Cllr Shingleton agreed to develop a hiring agreement for Council owned land.

17.211 To Appoint an Internal Auditor

The Clerk reported that the Council was required to appoint an independent auditor. Mr Wood who had provided the service last year was suitably qualified and had confirmed his charges as £50 + expenses.

RESOLVED: To appoint Brian Wood to audit the 2017/18 accounts.

17.212 Clerk Update

Topic	Update
Cemetery	Administration and legal requirements – It was noted that the Council has a legal duty to maintain a book of ‘exclusive rights of burial’ and a plan of grave spaces.
General Data Protection Regs	A brief update detailing the Councils responsibilities was provided. The new regulations were scheduled to take effect at the end of May. The first task was to carry out an audit of all council records including paper files, emails, electronic documents and images DALC was in consultation with Government to clarify various issues.
Clerk ‘actions’ An update on progress and any outstanding actions	BT phone box – BT had been contacted and it was confirmed that maintenance was now the council’s responsibility. Keep Britain Tidy Register – There were cost implications associated with registration and so the Clerk was instructed not to proceed. Tesco Bags of Help – Clerk to obtain more information Gate closing too quickly had been reported to the contractor. A flooded ditch had been reported to the County Council and the resident updated.

17.213 Action Plan

Actions	Priority Level	Who’s Responsible	Update	Completion
Common Land Registration	Ongoing	Cllr Shingleton	Nothing to report	
Weekly Play Ground Inspection	Ongoing	Cllr Wheatcroft	Nothing to report	
Burial Ground Inspection	Ongoing	Cllr Ryan	The burial ground continues to remain tidy. The recent cold weather has kept the grass from growing and the first cut will	

			probably now be in late March/early April	
Quarterly Parish Inspection	Ongoing	Cllr Ryan	Due in March. Cllr Bower agreed to take on responsibility for the inspection.	
Neighbourhood Plan	Ongoing		A meeting to discuss the Draft Plan with a Planning Officer, was scheduled for 28 th March	
Footpaths report	Ongoing	Cllr Odell	Nothing to report	
EMIB	Ongoing	Cllr Odell	Nothing to report	
Village Hall	Ongoing	Cllr Odell	The plans should be submitted within the next four weeks and it was hoped that work would start in July/August.	

17.214 Neighbourhood Plan Update – Nothing further to report

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17.215 Councillor Updates

Cllr Odell reported that there were more moles on the green. The Clerk was asked to contact the contractor to get rid of them.

Cllr Shingleton reported that photographs of Old Wessington would be displayed at the Fun Day. It was noted that a representative from Procters wished to come and talk with the Parish Council. The Concept Statement panel had been encouraged to apply to become Parish Councillors. The Clerk was asked to advertise the vacancies on the website. A site visit on Amber Green had been arranged with Cadent Gas.

Cllr Ryan reported that the hanging basket poles needed reducing in height to a more accessible level.

Cllr Wheatcroft reported that it was time to consider preparing the next newsletter. Requests for Fun Day volunteers and advertising the Well Dressing would be included.

17.216 Finance

RESOLVED: To approve the following payments, and any other payments properly received by the Council at the meeting

Date	Cheque Number	Payee	Description	Amount
20.3.18	388	L Odell	Leaving gift	15.00
20.3.18	389	Shelter Maintenance Ltd	Bus shelter cleaning	72.00
20.3.18	390	Real computer shop	Inks	57.00
20.3.18	391	DALC	Training	60.00
20.3.18	392	Open Spaces Society	Subscription	45.00
20.3.18	393	DALC	Enhanced subs	310.66
20.3.18	394	A Chisholm	Salary & Expenses	315.06
20.3.18	395	C Hedley	Salary & Holiday pay	219.00
20.3.18	396	C Hedley	Software	135.36
20.3.18	397	PCC	Room hire	25.00

17.217 To consider a request for funding – DCC School Crossing Patrols
Resolved: It was agreed that the Council did not have the resources available to fund the School Crossing Patrol.

17.218 To consider a request from the Clerk for essential office equipment

a. Lockable Filing Cabinet

Resolved: It was agreed that the Clerk could order a cabinet up to a cost of £80.

b. Publication – Local Council Administration

Resolved: It was agreed that the Clerk could order the publication up to a cost of £90.

17.219 To consider the annual play area inspections contract

Resolved: To engage ROSPA to carry out the annual playground inspection at a cost of up to £90.

17.220 To consider a request from Wessington Primary School for the use of The Green.

Resolved: to allow Wessington School to use the Green for an event on 21st March.

17.221 Correspondence received for information only

- a. DCC Standards Committee meeting
- b. DCC Dementia Friendly Film Showing
- c. Amber Valley BC Local Plan submission
- d. DCC Review of Polling Districts

17.222 Items for Next Agenda

To be with the Clerk 7 days before the next meeting

17.223 Date of next meeting

Tuesday 17th April 2018 at 7pm

PART II – CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS -

To consider a resolution under the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings Act 1960) to exclude members of the press and public to discuss the following item.

None

The meeting closed at 20.22

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