

**MINUTES of the meeting of the GRASSMOOR, HASLAND AND WINSICK PARISH COUNCIL held on 11 January 2017 at the Grassmoor Community Centre.**

**PRESENT**

Councillor Mrs P J Hemsley (in the Chair)

Councillors I F Barlow, Mrs J Bedford, Mrs A Browne, B Garbutt, M Grayling and E Grant.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Three members of the public attended the meeting to complain about the condition of the houses on Broom Drive, parking and the allocation of garages. It was explained that these were matters for District Council and the County Council. The Clerk agreed to advise Councillors Mrs E A Hill and Mrs J A Round-Hill of the problems as District and County Councillors.

**POLICE/PARISH LIAISON**

Councillor M Grayling reported on the response from the Police to Natascha Engel MP second letter regarding Police attendance at Parish Council meetings. The response reiterated the comments made in previous correspondence.

It was reported that 26 pullets had been killed in a suspected attack by a Rottweiler. Not only was this a concern in itself, but there was a concern that the dog could present a danger to children.

It was also reported that a resident had been verbally abused by a footballer when they complained about vehicles parking on Birkin Lane. It was agreed that the position be monitored to see if the problem occurred again.

**2657. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors A H Booker, Mrs E A Hill, Mrs J A Round-Hill and Mrs L Thomas.

**2658. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTERESTS**

Councillors I F Barlow, Mrs J Bedford, Mrs A Browne and Mrs P J Hemsley declared personal interests in the item relating to Grassmoor Community Centre (Minute no. 2663 refers).

**2659. MINUTES RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 14 December 2016 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**2660. ITEMS IN EXCLUSION**

An item relating to a staffing matter was to be considered as an exempt item in Part II of the agenda.

## 2661. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

The Responsible Financial Officer presented for information, the bank reconciliation to 11 January 2017 which showed an overall balance of £97,759.03. Councillor Mrs J Bedford signed a copy of the reconciliation.

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

Date	Details		No	TOTAL	VAT
03/01/17	Severn Trent	Pavilion Water	DD	£13.32	
03/01/17	EON	Pavilion Electricity	DD	£22.00	
03/01/17	G Earrye	CCTV	DD	£178.20	
03/01/17	EON	Park Lighting	DD	£36.81	£1.75
03/01/17	Unity Trust Bank	Charges	DD	£25.05	
03/01/17	J Marriott (1)	Salary	BACS		
03/01/17	R Ackrill ( 2)	Salary & Expenses	BACS		
03/01/17	R Ackrill	Expenses	BACS	£3.48	
03/01/17	A Ward (4)	Salary	BACS		
03/01/17	Grassmoor Community Centre	Grant	BACS	£2,077.50	
03/01/17	HMRC	PAYE	BACS	£544.34	
11/01/17	Bembridges	Allotment Shed	300060	£500.00	

Interest had also been received in the sum of £11.62.

**RESOLVED** to (a) authorise Councillor Mrs J Bedford to sign the bank reconciliation to 11 January 2017; and  
(b) approve the payment of accounts as detailed above.

## 2662. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

It was reported that the village name sign had been taken down for repair as it had been daubed with paint and some repairs were required to the rear of the sign.

Cubric Ultrasonic had contacted the Parish Council regarding the testing of the lamp columns for 2017. It was agreed that the 40 columns tested last year be tested again in 2017.

The County Council had advised that the Consultant Engineer earmarked to assist with the design of a flood defence scheme for Barnes Park was leaving its employment. It was hoped that a replacement would be taken on in the near future. The Clerk agreed to contact Mr Gore of Norfolk Avenue appraised on progress.

The Men in Sheds project had looked at the cost of repairing the Parish Council's noticeboard. To replace the "glass" with 4mm Paltuff glass at a cost of £93.00.

**RESOLVED** to (a) note the report;

- (b) agree to testing of 40 lamp columns; and
- (c) agree to the noticeboard repairs at a cost of £93.00.

**2663. GRASSMOOR COMMUNITY CENTRE**

The Clerk reported that he had circulated a programme of meetings for meetings of the Management Committee for 2017. The first meeting and AGM would be held on 6 February 2017.

It was reported that the problems with internet and email access had been sorted out and found to be the fault of BT. It was suggested that compensation may be due given the length of the problem.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

**2664. BARNES PARK**

The District Council had reported that more fencing was in need of replacement than had been first envisaged. It was agreed that the Clerk authorise the District Council to carry on with the repairs. The District Council had also reported that there was a gap between the metal fencing and the hedging opposite the MUGA. The Clerk agreed to ask the District Council for a quote for adding an additional section of the metal fencing.

Big Local were organising an art project to provide “signposts” for a circular walk involving the Country Park and the former Lagoons site. They were seeking permission to erect a sign post in Barnes Park. The Parish Council had no objections to this proposal.

The Clerk reported that the holly tree in the Park was being cut back on 12 January along with the hedging to rear of the Old School House.

**RESOLVED** to (a) authorise the District Council to carry on with the repairs to all the broken fencing;  
(b) ask the District Council for a quote for adding an additional section of the metal fencing; and  
(c) agree to a sign post being erected in the Park.

**2665. CCTV**

There were no matters relating to the CCTV to report.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

**2666. MILL LANE ALLOTMENTS**

The Association had reported that the derelict allotments had now been cleared and some had been allocated to new members. There had been renewed effort to remove

rubbish, although there was still much work to be done. All new members now paid a bond of £25, which was returned when if a plot was left in good condition.

The allotment shop continued to thrive with customers now from neighbouring villages including Danesmoor and Tupton allotments.

As a result of the thefts from the allotments in September, the main gates are now locked and padlocked for the winter and side gates are kept locked at all times. The Association were grateful to the Police, and Hannah Disney, for the handling of the situation. Equipment had been marked and security notices posted on the gates.

The Open Day last August went very well and the Association were grateful to the Parish Council for their involvement both financially and in judging competitions. The Parish Council were invited to the Annual General Meeting on 28th January 2017 where plaques for the winners of the Best Kept Allotment Competition would be presented.

The Association were grateful to the Parish Council for their help in securing a grant for a shed. The money was now available and work was being undertaken at present on the base. Ready mixed concrete would be ordered as soon as the weather allows. The shed was now under construction by Bembridges and weather permitting would be erected before the end of January. The outcome of the bid for funding for a mains connected toilet unit and a tractor/mower was awaited.

An allotment member, Andy Morgan passed away at the end of December. His family would like any donations in his memory to be put towards a bench on the allotments and it was intended to site this adjacent to the new shed on the Community Showground.

Councillors Barlow and Garbutt had visited the Allotments and found everything in order. There were currently two plots vacant.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

#### **2667. GILL LANE ALLOTMENTS**

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

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

#### **2668. GRASSMOOR LAGOONS**

There were no matters to report relating to the Lagoons.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

#### **2669. BIG LOCAL**

There were no matters relating to Big Local to report.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

**2670. BARNES PARK PROJECT**

The Clerk reported that the estimated costs of providing detailed design plans in order that tenders could be obtained were still awaited from the County Council.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

**2671. 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>
16/01195/DIS CON  Mile Hill Farm  Mr A Kirkwood	Discharge of conditions 7 (nesting sites) and 8 (Plant compound)	These conditions had been discharged.

**RESOLVED** to note the report

**2672. DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS - CIRCULARS**

The Clerk presented for the Parish Council's attention DALC Circulars 16/16 and 17/16.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

**2673. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC RESOLVED** that under Section 1(20) Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the business set out in the Agenda item(s) (to be specified by the Parish Council) on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the following summary of proceedings.

**SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS CONDUCTED AFTER THE PUBLIC HAD BEEN EXCLUDED FROM THE MEETING**

Staffing Matter (information relating to an employee)

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**Chairman**