

**MINUTES of the meeting of the GRASSMOOR, HASLAND AND WINSICK PARISH COUNCIL held on 12 June 2019 at the Grassmoor Community Centre.**

**PRESENT**

Councillor P J Hemsley (in the Chair)

Councillors I F Barlow, A H Booker, L Hartshorne, E A Hill, S Hinds and J Wood.

Two members of the public were in attendance.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

A member of the public attended the meeting to inform the Parish Council of the latest position regarding the planning application in respect of Swim 1-2-1 at The Croft, Mansfield Road. See Minute No. 3189 for further details.

**POLICE/PARISH LIAISON**

The Clerk reported that the Police had used drones to try to detect nuisance motorcyclists on the Country Park on 19 May. No bikes were seen or unheard and the Police reported that no further calls regarding this problem had been received.

It was understood that PCSO Robinson would no longer be covering the area as she was leaving to train as a Police Officer.

The Clerk agreed to liaise with other Parish Councils regarding Police attendance at Parish Council meetings.

**COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS**

Councillor Barker reported that he would provide grant funding for the Grassmoor Fun Day from his Members Community Leadership Fund and he had also agreed to support the Reaching Out project from the same fund in the sum of £300.00.

The cost of the fencing for the Lagoons area of the Country Park was £16k and Councillor Barker had agreed to contribute £2k from his Members Community Leadership Fund and options for funding the balance was being considered by the County Council.

It was noted that the Birkin Lane Pond had been neglected and had become silted up. Councillor Barker agreed to take this up with the Countryside Service.

**DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS**

No matters relating to the District Council were raised.

### **3170. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors J Marriott, R W Marriott and L Thomas.

### **3171. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTERESTS**

Councillors I F Barlow, P J Hemsley, S Hinds and E A Hill declared personal interests in the item relating to Grassmoor Community Centre as a member of the Community Centre Management Committee (Minute no. 3176 refers). Councillor E A Hill declared a personal interest in the item relating to Planning Matters as a member of the North East Derbyshire District Council Planning Committee (Minute no. 3189 refers).

**3172. MINUTES RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 15 May 2019 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

### **3173. ITEMS IN EXCLUSION**

It was agreed that exempt matters relating to the Barnes Park Project be considered in the exempt section of the meeting.

### **3174. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

The Responsible Financial Officer presented for information, details of receipts and payments to 4 June 2019 which showed an overall balance of £161,358.78 and also the bank reconciliation to the same date. Councillor S Hinds signed copies of both documents.

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

Date	Details	Method	TOTAL	VAT Inputs
03.06.19	Wages (RA, JM & AW)	Salary	1,675.53	
03.06.19	Yorkshire Water	Pavilion	£36.92	
15.05.15	Water Plus	Pavilion Supply	£5.34	
12.06.19	Community Centre	Grant & Room Hire	£2,062.50	
12.06.19	GBA Consultancy	Pavilion	£1,200.00	
12.06.19	HMRC	Tax & NI	£653.80	
12.06.19	NW Security Group	CCTV	£2,417.15	£402.86
12.06.19	R Ackrill	Postage	£33.60	
12.06.19	Plantscape	Hanging Baskets	£3,660.00	£610.00
25.06.19	Eon	Pavilion Supply	£40.00	£1.90

The Responsible Financial Officer reported that the Parish Council had once again been selected for an Intermediate Audit by the External Auditors. The additional information required to complete the audit had been supplied to the External Auditors.

A VAT claim had been submitted in the sum of approximately £7,707.22.

**RESOLVED** to (a) note the report;  
(b) authorise Councillor S Hinds to sign the bank reconciliation and the summary of receipts and payments to 4 June 2019; and  
(c) approve the payment of accounts as detailed above.

### **3175. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chair reported that the District Council had requested details of the Parish Council representatives on the District/Parish Council Liaison Group. It was agreed that Councillors Hartshorne, Hill and Wood represent the Parish Council.

### **3176. GRASSMOOR COMMUNITY CENTRE**

The Clerk reported that the first meeting of the Management Committee had been held on 3 June. It had been agreed that in future, Management Committee meetings be held on a quarterly basis.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

### **3177. BARNES PARK**

The Clerk reported that concerns had again been raised over the length of the grass in the Park. As a result, he had contacted the District Council who had reported that they had experienced problems with their tractor and mowers which had meant that scheduled cuts had been missed. The problems had now been resolved and the grass had been cut and there did not appear to be any issue with excess grass cuttings, although the situation would be monitored.

The Clerk reported that he had inspected the War Memorial and there was space for the medal inscription to be added after William Alton's name. The Clerk agreed to arrange for the letters to be added to the memorial.

It was reported that Mrs Mills had been in contact with the Parish Council to again complain about damage caused by cricket balls. On the latest occasion, three roof tiles had been broken. When she had approached the Cricket Club, they had suggested she make the arrangements for the repairs herself and the Club would pay the bill. Mrs Mills did not consider that it was for her to make the arrangements for the repairs and the Parish Council agreed with this view. It was agreed that the Clerk contact the Cricket Club to express concern at the attitude to damage to neighbouring properties and that the Council expects the Club to arrange repairs. It was also agreed that the Clerk would contact Mrs Mills to advise her on what had been agreed. The Clerk reported that he had asked to the safety survey to be undertaken.

Councillor Booker reported that following the Grassmoor Sports FC AGM, it had been agreed to apply to field two teams for the forthcoming season.

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

(b) add the medal inscription of William Alton to the Barnes Park war memorial; and  
(c) write to the Cricket Club to express concern at their attitude to repairing damage to neighbouring properties and to contact Mrs Mills to explain the Parish Council's position.

**3178. CCTV**

The Clerk reported that the two new cameras had now been installed at the Boot and Shoe and the annual maintenance inspection of the equipment had been undertaken.

The Clerk also reported that in respect of the additional lighting on the pathway adjacent to the Doctors Surgery, in April 2018, Rykneld had indicated previously that they could not fund additional lighting in this case and had passed the request on to North East Derbyshire District Council but no response had been received. The Clerk had written to the District Council again on the matter and a response was awaited.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

**3179. MILL LANE ALLOTMENTS**

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

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

**3180. GILL LANE ALLOTMENTS**

Tony Pick attended the meeting to update the Parish Council on the latest position regarding the Allotments. He reported that all plots were currently taken and most were used for livestock as opposed to growing vegetables, although some vegetables were grown. Growing vegetables was not easy owing to the poor quality of the soil. It was agreed to note the discussion and to arrange a visit to the site at some point.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

**3181. GRASSMOOR LAGOONS**

It was reported that the Lagoons had not yet been handed over to the Countryside Service as there had been outstanding issues relating to PH levels that needed to be addressed by the Council's Reclamation Team. The issues were not major problems but they required additional time to allow levels to stabilise and Engineers had identified that a small area of the site needed to be secured from public access. As previously reported by County Councillor Barker, the cost of the fencing for the Lagoons was £16k and options for funding this were currently being considered.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

**3182. BIG LOCAL**

There were no matters relating to Big local to report.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

**3183. BARNES PARK PROJECT**

The Clerk reported that a meeting had been held with Adrian Kirkham, Head of Planning at North East Derbyshire District Council, to discuss potential design changes and other issues relating to the project. The outcome of the discussion was that it was hoped that any changes to the design could be considered as non-material alterations and therefore would not require a further planning application to be submitted. The Clerk had written formally to the District Council to seek confirmation.

The meeting also discussed the position regarding section 106 funding and as a result, the Clerk had written to the District Council to seek written clarification of the funding available.

A further report on the project would be considered in the exempt section of the meeting.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

**3184. PARISH COUNCIL BANK MANDATE**

The Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer reported that following the Parish Council elections, the Council's bank mandate needed to be updated to remove members no longer on the Council and to add new members. Councillor Hartshorne had agreed to be added to the list of signatories.

**RESOLVED** to approve the changes to the Parish Council's bank mandate.

**3185. CLIMATE CHANGE EMERGENCY**

The Clerk reported that the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change report in 2018 set out the current position on climate change and told of dire consequences of irreparable damage to the environment if action was not taken in the next twelve years. In April this year in response to the report, UK Government became the first in the world to declare acclimate change emergency and many councils at all levels of local government have also declared an emergency.

The Clerk suggested that it would be appropriate that the Parish Council should take the lead on the matter and:

- Declare a Climate Change Emergency and publicise this to the people of the Parish to raise awareness and support the public in taking action;
- Prepare an Action Plan on the actions the Parish Council would take to address this emergency;
- Pledge to make the local community carbon-neutral by 2030.
- Call on Derbyshire County Council and central government to provide the powers and resources to make the 2030 target possible.

- Commit to continue working with community partners across the area to deliver this new goal.

It was suggested that a working group be established to oversee the project. Councillors Hartshorne and Wood agreed to be a member of the working group and the Clerk would email all members to see if they were interested in joining. It was noted that the Derbyshire Climate Coalition would help support the project.

**RESOLVED** to (a) declare a Climate Change Emergency and publicise this to the people of the Parish to raise awareness and support the public in taking action; (b) prepare an Action Plan on the actions the Parish Council would take to address this emergency; (c) pledge to make the local community carbon-neutral by 2030; (d) call on Derbyshire County Council and central government to provide the powers and resources to make the 2030 target possible; (e) commit to continue working with community partners across the area to deliver this new goal; and (f) appoint Councillors Hartshorne and Wood to a Climate Change Working Group and to seek interest from other Parish Councillors.

### **3186. BUS SHELTER - CHURCHSIDE**

The Clerk reported that the bus shelter at Churchside had become overgrown with ivy and needed to be cleared. It was agreed that the Park Attendant and Street Cleaner be offered additional hours to sort the problem.

The Clerk also reported that he had publicised the proposal to have a new bus shelter at the junction of Norfolk Avenue and North Wingfield Road on the Parish Council's Facebook Page and also on the website.

**RESOLVED** to (a) note the report; (b) agree additional hours for the Park Attendant and Streetcleaner to clear the bus shelter at Churchside.

### **3187. CASUAL VACANCY**

The Clerk reported that the casual vacancy had been advertised with a closing date for nominations of 24 June 2019.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

### **3188. DERBYSHIRE POPPY APPEAL**

The Clerk reported that the Derbyshire Lamp Post Poppies campaign for 2019 had been launched. The poppies cost £3.00 by way of a donation. It was agreed that poppies be purchased for every lamp column along the North Wingfield Road, Churchside and Mansfield Road. It was also agreed that flower boxes be purchased to be placed at the feet of the "Tommies".

It was noted that the May Day Bank Holiday in 2020 was being moved to Friday 8 May to commemorate VE Day. It was agreed that the Parish Council should consider what it could do to mark the event.

**RESOLVED** to (a) purchase Lamp Post Poppies as detailed above;  
 (b) purchase flower boxes to accompany the Tommies; and  
 (c) consider how to commemorate VE Day in 2020.

### **3189. PLANNING MATTERS**

<b>Application No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Comments/objections/material considerations</b>
19/00490/OL  143/145 Mansfield Road, Hasland  Mr D Hancock	Demolition of existing dwellings and erection of 2 new dwellings	The Parish Council had no comments on this application.
19/00207/DISCON  Rear 109-247 Mansfield Road, Hasland  Persimmon Homes	Discharge of conditions	Noted that further discharge of conditions was required.
19/00343/DISCON  Windwhistle Farm  Harron Homes	Discharge of conditions	The District Council had confirmed that the conditions had been discharged.
19/00347/TPO  51 Churchside  Mr A Walters	Tree works	Conditionally approved.
19/00549/DISCON  Windwhistle Farm  Harron Homes	Discharge of condition 34	Further information was requested.
19/00263/FLH  33 Durham Avenue	Second floor extension	Application refused.

Debbie Darling attended the meeting to provide the Parish Council with more information regarding the recent planning application in relation to Swim 1-2-1. The Parish Council had objected to the application and it had been refused by the District

Council. The applicants had indicated they were appealing the decision. Ms Darling extended an invitation to the Parish Council to visit the premises should they so wish. The Parish Council would take on board Ms Darling's comments when considering the appeal.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

**3190. 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**

- (a) To confirm the exempt minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 15 May 2019.
- (b) To consider matters relating to the Barnes Park Project (contains information relating an individual).

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**Chair**