

**MINUTES of the meeting of the GRASSMOOR, HASLAND AND WINSICK PARISH COUNCIL held on 10 February 2021 at the Grassmoor Community Centre.**

**PRESENT**

Councillor P J Hemsley (in the Chair)

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

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There were no matters raised in public participation.

**POLICE/PARISH LIAISON**

The Clerk reported that he had contacted the Chief Constable and the Police and Crime Commissioner as requested regarding issues with contacting the 101 services. The Police and Crime Commissioner had indicated that as this was an operational matter, the complaint had been passed on to the Police. The Police had responded that they were undertaking a series of recruitment drives to increase the number of staff working on the service which would hopefully significantly improve the service performance. They also provided details of alternative means of contacting the Police and it was agreed that these be published on the Council's website and also on the Facebook page.

**COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS**

Councillor Barker reported that he had attended the site visit to discuss the siting of the bus shelter at the junction of Norfolk Avenue and North Wingfield Road. For further details see minute no. 3563 below.

Councillor Barker also reported that the County Council had held its budget meeting on 3 February and had agreed to set a precept increase of 2.5%.

Discussions were on-going with the County Council and the District Council regarding the cycle route connectivity issues and also the opening of the viewing point.

**DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS**

Councillor L Hartshorne reported that North East Derbyshire District Council had agreed a council tax increase of 1.95% in order to deliver a balanced budget for the coming year. It was also reported that council house rents had been increased but only by the minimal amount permitted.

**3547. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors E A Hill, J Marriott, R W Marriott and L Thomas.

### 3548. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTERESTS

Councillor L Hartshorne, P J Hemsley, S Hinds and J Wood declared personal interests in the item relating to Grassmoor Community Centre as members of the Community Centre Management Committee (Minute no. 3553 refers).

3549. **MINUTES RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 13 January 2021 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

### 3550. ITEMS IN EXCLUSION

There were no items to be taken in exclusion.

### 3551. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

The Responsible Financial Officer presented for information, details of receipts and payments to 3 February 2021 which showed an overall balance of £341,818.80. The bank reconciliation could obviously not be signed but the Responsible Financial Officer had circulated a copy to every member by email.

The Responsible Financial Officer requested a transfer of £144,000.00 from the reserve account to the current account to cover the costs of the new Hub.

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

Date	Payee	Details	Method	Amount	VAT
20.01.21	ICO	GDPR Fee	DD	£35.00	£0.00
01.02.21	Staff Salaries	February	BACS	£1,753.24	£0.00
10.02.21	HMRC	PAYE	BACS	£677.85	£0.00
10.02.21	A Ward	Protective Clothing	BACS	£10.00	£0.00
10.02.21	Wernick	Grassmoor Hub	BACS	£252,189.08	£42,031.51
10.02.21	Derbyshire County Council	BP Project Consultation	BACS	£1,499.32	£249.89
10.02.21	R Ackrill	Zoom fees	BACS	£14.39	£0.00
10.02.21	PWLB	Loan Repayment	BACS	£2,795.80	£0.00
10.02.21	R Ackrill	Winsick Park Signs	BACS	£29.96	£0.00
10.02.21	Eon	Reconnection charge	BACS	£148.32	£24.72
10.02.21	R Ackrill	Planning Application Fee	BACS	£58.00	£0.00
10.02.21	Western Power	Electricity Connection	BACS	£734.92	£122.49

**RESOLVED** to (a) note the report;  
(b) agree the bank reconciliation and the summary of receipts and payments to 3 February 2021;  
(c) approve the transfer of funds of £144,000.00 from the reserve account to the current account; and

(d) approve the payment of accounts as detailed above.

**3552. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

It was reported that the current arrangements for allowing remote council meetings as set out the Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020 expired on 7 May 2021. After that date, meetings would need to held in person rather than remotely. It was agreed that the Clerk should write to Robert Jenrick, Minister for Communities, Housing and Local Government to express concern that the legislation was not being extended.

**3553. GRASSMOOR COMMUNITY CENTRE**

The Community Centre Management Committee had met on 8 February and discussed the position of Centre Manager. The Committee would be reviewing the position in terms of pay rate and also the hours to be worked.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

**3554. BARNES PARK AND WINSICK PARK**

The Clerk reported that he had contacted Yorkshire Water regarding the flooding problem on Birkin Lane. Yorkshire Water had confirmed that as the issue was one of surface water, the problem was one for the County Council to address. The Clerk had contacted the County Council again who had arranged for the drains on Birkin Lane to be jetted. The Clerk agreed to ask the County Council why the drains on Birkin Lane needed to be jetted so frequently and whether there was an underlying problem in the area.

The Clerk reported that he had received an email from Bradley Warrington aged 12, regarding the poor condition of the paths from the Durham Avenue entrance of the Park. The Parish Council agreed to look at the paths once it had been decided what action needed to be taken with regard to the flooding problem in the bottom corner of the Park. Bradley had also expressed concern that the barriers at the entrance to the Park were preventing pushchairs from gaining entry except using the main entrance. It was pointed out the barriers had originally been put in place as a result of problems with motorbikes using the Park. It was noted that in many cases such barriers were now being removed. The Clerk agreed to seek the advice of the District Council as to alternatives that could be used to replace the existing barriers and it was agreed in principle that they be replaced.

The Clerk reported that the cause of the problem with the lighting in the Park had still not been identified. The District Council had agreed to look in to the problem.

It was noted that the Clerk had purchased tow signs for Winsick Park warning of the busy road. Councillor L Hartshorne had agreed to put the signs up.

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

(b) investigate alternatives to the barriers at the entrances to Barnes Park and to agree in principle that they be replaced.

**3555. CCTV**

The Clerk reported that the annual service contract with NW Systems was due for renewal on 16 March 2021 in the sum of £1,200.00. It was agreed that the contract be renewed.

The Clerk also reported that the camera at the rear of the Community Centre was not working. It was agreed that the camera should be replaced.

It was noted that the Clerk had contacted Persimmon Homes to see if they could provide a suitable building to house the server and a response was awaited.

**RESOLVED** to (a) note the report; and  
(b) renew the maintenance agreement with NW Systems in the sum of £1,200.00; and  
(c) replace the camera at the rear of the Community Centre.

**3556. MILL LANE ALLOTMENTS**

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

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

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

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

**3558. GRASSMOOR LAGOONS**

It was noted that the car park at Corbriggs had flooded recently and the County Council had agreed to undertake works to prevent it happening in the future.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

**3559. BIG LOCAL**

It was noted that Big Local were tentatively making arrangements for the Grassmoor Funday on 3 July subject to any Covid restrictions that may be in place at the time.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

**3560. BARNES PARK PROJECT**

The Clerk reported that he had been applied for planning permission to discharge planning conditions 3 and 5 regarding landscaping. The fee was £58.00.

There had been some security issues on the site with a digger having been stolen. Wernick were suggesting that security of the site was the Parish Council's responsibility but it seemed clear from the contract that this was not the case.

The notice advertising the certificate of ownership had closed on 5 February so a decision was expected in the near future.

Further section 106 funding in the sum of £89k had been received. The District Council had confirmed that the section 106 funding in respect of the South Yorkshire Housing Association development was now available.

Big Local funding in the sum of £133k which represented the December and January payments had been received.

The Clerk was in the process of sourcing an alarm for the building. He had asked NW Systems if they could assist.

The Clerk reported that two broadband connections were required for the Hub, one for the CCTV and one for public use. The Clerk had been trying to arrange this with Openreach.

Western Power had re-connected the supply and Eon and fitted a new meter inside the building. The water supply was proving difficult to arrange and a decision was awaited. The installation of the CCTV system was dependent upon the broadband connection.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

#### **3561. CLIMATE CHANGE EMERGENCY**

The Clerk presented a first draft of the climate change action plan for information. Further work was required to complete the plan and an updated version would be presented to the Council in due course.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

#### **3562. ADDITIONAL LIGHTING - DOCTORS PATH**

It was noted that the ownership of the path had still not been ascertained.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

#### **3563. BUS SHELTER**

It was reported that members of the Parish Council had met with the officer from Derbyshire County Council regarding the refusal to allow a bus shelter to be sited at the junction of North Wingfield Road and Norfolk Avenue. The officer explained in detail, the current technical regulations regarding the siting of new shelters and those present were satisfied with his explanation as to why it was not possible to locate the shelter at that point.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

**3564. GRIT BINS**

It was agreed that the Clerk place an order to have all the Parish Council's grit bins refilled.

**RESOLVED** to place an order for the refilling of the Parish Council's grit bins.

**3565. HASLAND CEMTERY**

The Clerk reported that a complaint had been received over the condition in which graves had been left in the Cemetery by the District Council. The District Council had been contacted regarding the problem and they had explained that the problems had been largely due to the recent adverse weather. They had agreed to make good the graves as soon as possible.

The Clerk had asked the District Council to clarify the position with regard to the space that was left in the Cemetery.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

**3566. PLANNING MATTERS**

<b>Application No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Comments/objections/material considerations</b>
20/0183/FL Manor House Farm Kronos Solar Projects	Photovoltaic Solar Park	This Parish Council had no objections to this application but requested that section 106 funding be allocated to this application.
20/01319/FLH 87 Churchside Mr S Cooper	Proposed single and two storey rear extension	This Parish Council had no objections to this application
20/01203/LDC 57 Norfolk Avenue Mr G and Mrs C Oliver	Application for lawful development certificate.	This Parish Council had no objections to this application.
21/00015/FLH Willow Tree House	Proposed two storey side extension	This Parish Council had no objections to this application.

Mr C Hubbuck		
20/01184/FL Land to rear 109-247 Mansfield Road	Application for temporary car park	This application had been conditionally approved.
20/01219/FLH 18 Windwhistle Drive	Application for front porch	This Parish Council had no objections to this application.
Mrs J Snelson 21/00062/FLH 151 North Wingfield Road	New flat roof extension	This Parish Council had no objections to this application.
Mr Rowan 20/01289-1297/FLH The Old Coal Yard, North Wingfield Road	Reserved matters applications	This Parish Council had no objections to this application.
Planning Appeal The Croft, Mansfield Road Mrs L Booth	Appeal	The Parish Council had no comments on the appeal.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

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**Chair**