

**MINUTES of the meeting of the GRASSMOOR, HASLAND AND WINSICK PARISH COUNCIL held on 13 October 2021 at the Grassmoor Community Centre.**

**PRESENT**

Councillor A H Booker (in the Chair)

Councillors J Hartshorne, L Hartshorne, S Hinds, B Uknighted and J Wood.

Also in attendance – County Councillors C Cupit and J Woolley.

Two members of the public were in attendance.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

A member of the public attended the meeting to request that the Parish Council display posters regarding an upcoming climate change event in Chesterfield. It was also agreed that posters made by local children relating to climate change could also be put up on the gates to the Community Centre.

**POLICE/PARISH LIAISON**

The Clerk reported that Inspector Troup had declined the invitation to attend the Parish Council meeting to discuss the issue of the 101 service as this was not his area of responsibility. The Parish Council were disappointed at this response and it was agreed that he be invited to attend the next meeting in order to introduce himself to the Council and to discuss policing in general in the Parish.

**COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS**

County Councillors C Cupit and J Woolley attended the meeting to discuss matters relating to the County Council.

It was reported that speed limits on Chesterfield Road were being monitored with a view to the limit being reduced from 40mph to 30mph. Councillor Cupit also reported that she had asked Highways to look at the width of the pavements on Chesterfield Road. It was also noted that the County Council were also looking at extending the starting point of the 30mph speed limit on Birkin Lane and Hagg Hill. Consideration could also be given to trying again to set up a community speed watch scheme again in Grassmoor.

It was noted that concerns had been raised over the height of the Grassmoor village name sign on Chesterfield Road and it had been suggested that this needed to be raised. The County Council would be contacting the Parish Council on this matter. It was also suggested that the name sign on North Wingfield Road could be heightened to make it more visible.

It was reported that the issue of parking on Broom Drive and Whitmore Avenue was a priority for the District Council and a report would be submitted to the Cabinet in the near future. The possibility of opening up to traffic the junction of Mill Lane and Whitmore was being explored.

Councillor Cupit reported that there were on-going issues with the drains on the Windwhistle Farm development and these were being pursued with the developer. Councillor Cupit agreed to provide Councillor L Hartshorne with relevant information relating to the issue.

Councillor Woolley reported that various litter issues had been reported around the village and these had been reported to the District Council to see what could be done. At the recent meeting at the Community Centre with Lee Rowley MP, concerns had been raised regarding the surface of the road and pavements on Cotswold Drive and Wenlock Drive. Highways had been asked to look to see if this could be addressed.

Reference was also made to the flooding issues in Barnes Park. The Clerk agreed to keep Councillors Cupit and Woolley up to date with progress and any issues that arose.

### **DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS**

Councillor Hartshorne reported that the Labour Group had put forward a motion to the recent full Council meeting opposing the reduction in Universal Credit. The motion was however, lost.

#### **3686. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

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

#### **3687. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTERESTS**

Councillors L Hartshorne, 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. 3692 refers). Councillor B Uknighted declared a personal interest agenda item relating to Big Local (Minute no. 3698 refers) as a member of the Big Local Partnership Board. The Clerk declared a personal interest in the item relating to Grassmoor Community Centre (Minute no. 3692 refers) as a member of Hasland Club Committee and also as a member of the Friends of Hasland Hub.

**3688. MINUTES RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 8 September 2021 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

#### **3689. ITEMS IN EXCLUSION**

There were no items to be taken in exclusion.

#### **3690. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

The Responsible Financial Officer presented for information, details of receipts and payments to 4 October 2021 which showed an overall balance of £134,504.11. The bank reconciliation had been circulated to every member by email.

The Responsible Financial Officer reported on the latest budget monitoring position as at 30 September 2021.

It was agreed that payments be authorised as detailed below:

Date	Payee	Details	Ref	TOTAL	VAT Inputs
01.10.21	Staff Salaries	September	67BACS	£1,979.58	£0.00
01.10.21	HMRC	PAYE September	67BACS	£480.54	£0.00
01.10.21	Netwise	Website hosting	68BACS	£378.00	£63.00
04.10.21	NEDDC	Bench licence	69BACS	£1.00	£0.00
04.10.21	GCC	Room Hire	70BACS	£32.50	£0.00
04.10.21	A Ward	Refuse Sacks	71BACS	£10.00	£0.00
01.09.21	PKF Littlejohn	External Audit	58BACS	£1,560.00	£260.00
03.09.21	Skyline Supplies	Pav Kitchen goods	59BACS	£136.55	£22.76
07.09.21	Viking	Pav supplies	60BACS	£165.96	£30.15
07.09.21	TV Licence	Pavilion	DD	£41.00	£0.00
09.09.21	Magnet	Pav Kitchen	61BACS	£1,330.99	£221.83
09.09.21	R Ackrill	RBL Tommy	62BACS	£182.50	£30.42
20.09.21	Viking	Invoice error	60aBACS	£14.97	£2.49
20.09.21	NEDDC	Dog Bins	63BACS	£877.50	£146.25
20.09.21	LH Electrical	Work on Pavilion	64BACS	£72.00	£0.00
20.09.21	N W Security	CCTV pavilion	65/6BACS	£6,484.80	£1,080.80
20.09.21	BT	Pavilion	DD	£98.28	£16.38
30.09.21	Unity Trust	Charges	DD	£25.05	£0.00
04.10.21	NEDDC	Trade waste	72BACS	£589.42	£0.00
04.10.21	E-on	Pav Electricity	73DD	£471.42	£22.45
05.10.21	BT	Pavilion	74DD	£98.28	£16.38
06.10.21	R Ackrill	Poppy Wreaths	75BACS	£35.00	£0.00
07.10.21	R Ackrill	Signs for Pavilion	76BACS	£23.34	£0.00
08.10.21	E-on	Park electricity	77BACS	£59.81	£2.85
13.10.21	Viking	Pav cleaning materials	78BACS	£71.83	£11.97
13.10.21	Chairs Appeal	Donation	79BACS	£250.00	£0.00

- RESOLVED** to (a) note the report;  
 (b) agree the bank reconciliation and the summary of receipts and payments to 4 October 2021; and  
 (c) note the budget monitoring position as at 30 September 201.  
 (d) approve the payment of accounts as detailed above.

### **3691. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

It was reported that a letter had been received from the Chair of North East Derbyshire District Council regarding the 2021 Chair's Appeal which this year was in aid of Ashgate Hospice. It was agreed that a donation of £250.00 be made to the Appeal.

It was also reported that an elderly gentleman had lost control of his car in the Cemetery and had caused damage to several graves. The District Council were taking the matter with the driver's insurers.

### **3692. GRASSMOOR COMMUNITY CENTRE**

The Clerk reported that the three applicants for the post of Centre Manager had been invited for interview. Subsequently, one candidate did not attend and another withdrew at the last minute. The third candidate, Barry Tomlinson, had been interviewed and had been offered and had accepted the position. References were currently being sought and it was hoped Barry would be able to start work as soon as possible.

The Clerk reminded the Parish Council that it had previously agreed to pursue further, the partnership approach with Big Local to the management of the Centre, the Pavilion and the Hasland Hub. The appointment to the post of Centre Manager effectively meant that the partnership approach would not be pursued. There was a possibility however that the new Centre Manager could undertake a role in managing the Pavilion. This would need the agreement of all parties involved.

Several applications had been received for the position of cleaner at the Centre. The Centre Manager when he had taken up his position, would be asked to process the applications as soon as possible.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

### **3693. BARNES PARK AND WINSICK PARK**

The Clerk reported that Big Local had suggested a project in Barnes Park to provide additional play equipment which they would part fund and for which they would seek match funding for the remaining costs. It was proposed that the new equipment which may include a zip wire, would be located near the existing single goal post. The goal post could be located elsewhere in the Park. The Parish Council would be expected to take on the on-going maintenance of the new equipment.

The Clerk reminded the Parish Council that it had previously agreed to look into replacing the paths in the Park which were very uneven in places. As part of the proposed additional play equipment project, Big Local had indicated that they would be prepared to consider including some of the costs of new paths in the project.

It was noted that the Clerk had chased the District Council again regarding the removal of the "A" frames on the entrances to the Park. He had also chased Philip Heath regarding the various tree works that were required in the Park.

The County Council had agreed to meet on site to discuss the requirements for the exploratory digging that was required in the Park to help address the flooding issues.

It was reported that the Clerk and Councillor L Hartshorne had met with Peter Myers on site to discuss the tree planting previously agreed in the Park. It was proposed to plant 26 new trees in the Park where there were currently gaps. The funding was in place

and the trees would be planted by Bolsover Woodland Trust. The possibility of planting additional trees at Winsick Park would be explored. It was agreed that Peter Myers and Big Local be thanked for their work on the project.

It was noted that there was a light out on the skatepark which the Clerk would report.

**RESOLVED** to (a) note the report;  
(b) agree in principle to additional play equipment being provided in Barnes Park subject to approval of the final proposed scheme; and  
(c) agree if the project went ahead, to take on the on-going maintenance costs of the new play equipment.

#### **3694. CCTV**

The Clerk reported that he had asked ASI to provide a full and formal quote to install a CCTV system on Mansfield Road at Winsick.

The Clerk was still working with NW Systems to resolve the problems with the cameras and the signal at the new Pavilion.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

#### **3695. MILL LANE ALLOTMENTS**

The Allotment Association had reported that the Open Day planned to be in August had been cancelled owing to the Covid situation. The Best Kept Allotment competition had been held and the Association wished thank to the Parish Council for their support with the prize money. The Open Day for 2022 was planned for 6 August.

It was planned, in conjunction with Big local, to hold a Santa's Grotto on Saturday 18 December. Big Local had agreed to provide a large Christmas tree.

A skip had been hired earlier in the season to remove rubbish from the plots. All plots were currently taken and there was a waiting list.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

#### **3696. GILL LANE ALLOTMENTS**

The Clerk reported that there was a self-set holly tree on the Allotments which was causing damage to the garage roof of the Old School House. It was agreed that the tree be removed with the Parish Council agreeing plant a tree in its place in the future at a suitable location.

**RESOLVED** to agree to remove the self-set holly tree with a tree to be planted in its place.

**3697. GRASSMOOR LAGOONS, AVENUE WASHLANDS AND COUNTRY PARK**

It was reported that there was a delay in removing the Lagoons fencing as the Countryside Service had yet to accept responsibility for the pathways. The planning application for the wetland areas had been submitted.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

**3698. BIG LOCAL**

There no matters specifically relating to Big Local to report other than those detailed elsewhere in these minutes.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

**3699. BARNES PARK PROJECT**

A marketing and publicity strategy had been agreed by the OMG, this included a joint approach with the Community Centre and would include a joint website with the costs to be shared. Both the OMG and the Community Centre had agreed to adopt a new logo/brand.

The Clerk referred to an email from Big Local expressing concern that the Pavilion was not fitted out to the agreed specification and to the lack of a publicity and marketing strategy. With regard to the latter point, the comments were somewhat surprising as they strategy had been discussed in detail at several meetings of the OMG at which the Big Local representatives had been present. It was not entirely clear what was meant regarding the building not being completed. The was arranging a meeting with Big Local and these points would be discussed at this meeting.

It was also noted that the email had mentioned the youth sessions and the revisions to the Business Plan and Financial Plan. The youth sessions had been booked in for the year ahead. The Clerk would discuss the revisions to the Plans at the meeting with Big Local.

Big Local had identified some additional snagging issues as well as some on-going issues. The urgent issue was the guttering which the Clerk would raise with Wernick.

The Clerk had already referred to the current position with regard to the joint partnership approach under the Community Centre minute (Minute no. 3692 refers).

It was noted both the OMG and the Community Centre Management Committee had agreed in principle to pursue the idea of a joint Charitable Incorporated Organisation. This would be discussed at the meeting with Big Local as this approach would be different to that agreed in the funding agreement.

The additional kitchen units had been ordered and delivered and would hopefully be fitted within the next four weeks or so.

The Clerk reported that a new domain name was required for the new joint website. He would circulate details of those that were available for comment.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

**3700. CLIMATE CHANGE EMERGENCY**

The Clerk reported that a meeting of the Climate Change Working Group had been arranged for Monday 18 October.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

**3701. ADDITIONAL LIGHTING - DOCTORS PATH**

Clarification was still being sought as to the ownership of the pathway.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

**3702. CASUAL VACANCY**

The Clerk reported that the casual vacancy had been advertised and as a result, an election had been called. Subject to the election being contested, the election date was likely to be in late November. It was agreed not use have poll cards delivered on this occasion.

**RESOLVED** to (a) note the report; and  
(b) agree not use poll cards for the election, if contested.

**3703. REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY**

The Clerk reported on the arrangements for this years' Service which was to be held on 14 November. Reverend Anderson had agreed to conduct the Service and the wreaths had been ordered.

The Clerk was struggling to find a bugler to play the Reveille and the Last Post. If one was not found the Clerk could play a recording through one of the speakers.

Buster Marquees had been asked as in previous years, to provide a marquee although this had not been confirmed. The School would also be in attendance at the Service.

The replacement Tommy for Winsick Park had been delivered. The lamp column poppies and the Tommies would hopefully be put up soon.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

**3704. PLANNING MATTERS**

<b>Application No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Comments/objections/material considerations</b>
21/00921/FL Land between	Discharge of condition 12.	This Parish Council had no objections to this application.

bypass and 109-247 Mansfield Rd  Persimmon Homes		
21/01050/FLH  Herne House, Mansfield Rd  Mr D Hargreaves	Increase roof height and alterations to openings.	This Parish Council had no objections to this application.
21/00975/FLH  43 Tennyson Way  Mr and Mrs Evans	Extensions to dwelling.	This Parish Council had no objections to this application.
21/01082/FLH  221 Mansfield Rd  Mr and Mrs Rhys-Bowen	Single storey garden shed.	This Parish Council had no objections to this application.
21/01159/FLH  The Old Dairy, North Wingfield Rd  Mr C Havenga	Conversion of garage/store to habitable rooms.	This Parish Council had no objections to this application.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

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**Chair**