

MINUTES of the meeting of the GRASSMOOR, HASLAND AND WINSICK PARISH COUNCIL held on 9 February 2022 at the Grassmoor Community Pavilion.

PRESENT

P J Hemsley (in the Chair)

Councillors A H Booker, J Hartshorne, L Hartshorne, S Hinds, and R W Marriott and J Wood.

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

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no matters taken in public participation.

POLICE/PARISH LIAISON

There were no matters relating to policing to report.

COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS

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

Councillor Cupit reported that very little progress had been made recently regarding the on-going issues with the Windwhistle Farm development but another meeting with the Managing Director was being arranged. Regents Green had now been formally adopted but other drainage works remained outstanding and Yorkshire Water would not sign them off until the problems had been rectified.

Councillor Cupit reported that the former Council depot site on North Wingfield Road had been deemed as not developable in terms of housing owing to highways issues. The fencing around the site had been put up however. It was noted that there was a considerable amount of rubbish on the site.

Councillor Woolley reported that it had been confirmed that the works to Cotswold Drive and Danbury Danbury Close were on the capital programme list. However, Cross Street and MacDonald Close were not on the list as they did not score sufficiently high enough. Concern was expressed at this scoring and Councillor Woolley agreed to seek clarification on the scoring.

As previously reported, a scheme help alleviate the flooding problem on Birkin Lane had been included in the capital programme, although the detail of the scheme was not yet available.

It was noted that a site meeting had been arranged for 15 February to look at the previously reported issues on Broom Drive. Councillor L Hartshorne would be invited to attend.

DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS

Councillor L Hartshorne reported that the District Council had agreed to increase their Council Tax requirement by 2.58% which would add £4.99 per month to a Band D property. Council rents had also increased by 4.1% although it was noted that this was a national government issue.

The District Council had also adopted a District-wide Parking Strategy which included provision on Broom Drive. Concerns over parking on Tennyson Way were raised and noted.

3765. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillor M Durrant, E A Hill, J Marriott and B Uknighted.

3766. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTERESTS

Councillors L Hartshorne, P 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. 3770 refers). Councillor A H Booker declared an interest in the same item as his wife was an employee of the Community Centre. Councillor L Hartshorne declared a personal interest in Planning Matters (Minute no. 3781) as a member of North East Derbyshire District Council Planning Committee.

3767. MINUTES RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 12 January 2022 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

3768. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

The Responsible Financial Officer presented for information, details of receipts and payments to 1 February 2022 which showed an overall balance of £136,856.94. The bank reconciliation had been circulated to every member by email.

It was agreed that payments be authorised as detailed below:

Date	Payee	Details	Reference	TOTAL	VAT Inputs
03.01.22	BT	Pavilion	100DD	£98.28	£16.38
06.01.22	Npower	Park Lighting/CCTV	101BACS	£31.55	£1.50
28.01.22	Elliot Mather	GCC lease	102BACS	£912.00	£0.00
28.01.22	R Hancock	Pavilion kitchen	103BACS	£750.00	£0.00
28.01.22	Furness Fires	Pavilion kitchen	104BACS	£200.00	£0.00
28.01.22	Information Commissioner	Annual fee	DD	£35.00	£0.00
28.01.22	NEDDC	Dog Bins to Dec	105BACS	£877.50	£146.25
28.01.22	Business Stream	Waste water pavilion	106DD	£44.84	£0.00
28.01.22	Water Plus	Pav supply	DD	£165.79	£0.00
28.01.22	R Ackrill	Conference Mic	107BACS	£129.99	£0.00
01.02.22	Staff Salaries	January	108BACS	£2,051.64	£0.00
01.02.22	HMRC	PAYE January	108BACS	£65.08	£0.00
11.02.22	PWLB	Loan repayment	DD	£2,733.91	£0.00
01.02.22	L Hartshorne	Pavilion	109BACS		£150.00
07.02.22	BT	Pavilion	110DD		£98.28
09.02.22	A Ward	Refuse sacks	111BACS		£10.00
17.02.22	Business Stream	Waste water	112DD		£42.70

- RESOLVED** to (a) note the report;
(b) agree the bank reconciliation and the summary of receipts and payments to 1 February 2022; and
(c) approve the payment of accounts as detailed above.

3769. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no Chair's announcements.

3770. GRASSMOOR COMMUNITY CENTRE

The Clerk was very pleased to report that Michelle Woodall had been appointed to the position of Community Facilities Manager and was due to commence her duties on 7 March 2022.

The Clerk confirmed that the proposed sale of the Little Learners had unfortunately fallen through. Prospective new owners were being sought.

It was noted that Andrew Mallender had been nominated by Big local as their representative on the Community Centre Management Committee.

RESOLVED to note the report.

3771. BARNES PARK AND WINSICK PARK

The Clerk reported that the District Council had appointed Jack Beardsmore as the new Streetscene Co-ordinator for the area. As there were several outstanding matters relating to works in the Park, the Clerk suggested that a site meeting be arranged with Jack to go through them in detail.

The Clerk reminded the Council that concerns had been raised at the last meeting over the planting of new trees close to the Pavilion which could cause potential root damage. The meeting to be held to discuss the issue had not yet taken place.

It was reported that the Big Local Green and Open Spaces Working Group were potentially looking at a project to provide new play equipment in Winsick Park. This was separate to the potential project to provide additional equipment in Barnes Park.

The Clerk reported that the Don River Catchment Trust had provided a plan of the known water flows on Barnes Park. This may come in useful when looking at the flooding issue.

RESOLVED to (a) note the report; and
(b) arrange a site visit to look at the outstanding work items in Barnes Park.

3772. CCTV

The Clerk reported that he was still having connectivity issues with the CCTV system. It was believed that this was due to an intermittent signal to the CCTV server in the Community Centre. NW Systems were coming to undertake the annual maintenance visit and the problem would be looked in to then. NW Systems also intended to fit the SD cards to the cameras at the Pavilion during the maintenance visit.

The Clerk had received several requests for footage. Whilst he was unable to view or copy the footage, NW Systems had been able to provide it.

The Clerk had not heard back from ASI regarding using SD cards in the cameras at Winsick which may be a more cost-effective option.

RESOLVED to note the report.

3773. MILL LANE ALLOTMENTS

The Allotment Association had reported that they had recently held their AGM and that there were no changes to the Committee or the allotment rules. The Committee would be making regular checks on site to make sure rubbish was removed from site rather than being allowed to build up. The Committee were also looking at ways in which water usage could be reduced. All plots were currently in use.

The Allotments were intending to hold a garden party for local residents on Monday 2 May. They had received funding from Rykneld Homes Neighbourhood Improvement Budget to upgrade the pathway from the gateway to the shop.

RESOLVED to note the report.

3774. GILL LANE ALLOTMENTS

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

RESOLVED to note the report.

3775. GRASSMOOR LAGOONS, AVENUE WASHLANDS AND COUNTRY PARK

It was reported that the previously closed area in the Lagoons was now open and the fencing had been removed except for that on the side of the Golf Club. The Parish Council wished to thank Councillor L Hartshorne for his efforts to ensure that Lagoon's area had been opened. It was noted that Skylarks were nesting in the area and signs asking dog owners to keep dogs on leads had been put up.

It was noted that some issues had arisen with the designers of the wetland project which meant that there would be some delays to the project.

RESOLVED to note the report.

3776. BIG LOCAL

The Clerk reported that the Grassmoor Past and Present Group had put forward a proposal to relocate the old colliery winding wheel from the site of the former NCB Training Centre to "four bob row" near the entrance to the Golf Club. This would form the start of a heritage trail through the golf course and onto the Country Park. Whilst the project was obviously in its very early stages of development, the Parish Council agreed to support the idea in principle at this stage.

RESOLVED to support in principle, the project to relocate the pit wheel.

3777. BARNES PARK PROJECT

The Clerk reported that the revised draft revised 5-year Business Plan had been agreed by the OMG on 10 January 2022 and would be presented to the Big local Partnership Board on 17 February. The Plan set out the overall development of the Pavilion over the next five years commencing January 2022 and it explained the difficulties in opening a new facility in the middle of a global pandemic. On a positive note, however, the Plan also set out targets and extended targets with an emphasis very much on joint working with the Community Centre. It was stressed that the Parish Council would retain ownership of the Pavilion.

The Clerk reported that the kitchen had now been completed with the additional cupboards having been fitted. The issue with the solar panels was on-going with problems with the meter readings from the smart meter.

As had already been reported, Michelle Woodall had been appointed to the position of Community Facilities Manager which included 4 hours per week managing the Pavilion. It would be a priority for Michelle to ensure that the Pavilion was fully operational as soon as possible.

The District Council had confirmed that the Pavilion would be used as the local polling station for future elections.

Parking was an issue for the Pavilion and the OMG had committed to look at solutions to this problem.

RESOLVED to note the report.

3778. CLIMATE CHANGE EMERGENCY

The Clerk had suggested some dates for a meeting to Climate Action North East Derbyshire and a response was awaited.

RESOLVED to note the report.

3779. ADDITIONAL LIGHTING - DOCTORS PATH

The Clerk reported that a response was awaited from Rykneld regarding the additional lighting on the path.

RESOLVED to note the report.

3780. QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE

The Clerk reported that Big Local had arranged two duplicate meetings on 16 February to discuss arrangements to celebrate the Jubilee.

Other suggestions included floral displays/planters, a mural and celebrations of historic local events during the reign.

RESOLVED to note the report.

3781. PLANNING MATTERS

Application No.	Description	Comments/objections/material considerations
22/00634/FL The Old Coal Yard, North Wingfield Rd Mr D Atkinson	Provision of 2 new office	This application had been conditionally approved.
21/01227/TPO 2 Hazelhurst, Churchside Mr D Wheatcroft	Application to prune trees	This application had been conditionally approved.

<p>22/00013/FL</p> <p>Land to south-east of Winsick Park, Mansfield Rd</p> <p>Mr J Stone</p>	<p>Application to vary condition 2</p>	<p>This Parish Council had no objections to this application.</p>
<p>21/01499/FLH</p> <p>18 Frederick Street</p> <p>Mr J Caddick</p>	<p>Single storey side extension.</p>	<p>This Parish Council had no objections to this application.</p>
<p>21/01199/FL</p> <p>The Old Diary, North Wingfield Road</p> <p>Dr C Havenga</p>	<p>Demolition of unsafe stable and construction of replacement building</p>	<p>This Parish Council had no objections to this application.</p>
<p>22/00015/FLH</p> <p>33 Durham Avenue</p> <p>Mr S Allen</p>	<p>Raising roof height with dormer to rear, single storey rear extension and new opening.</p>	<p>The Parish Council objected to this application on the following grounds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The raising of the height of the property to the extent proposed is totally out of keeping with the other properties in the area and will adversely impact on the visual appearance of the area - The property will overlook neighbouring properties in a manner which the Parish Council would consider to be unreasonable - The height of the building will lead to a loss of light to neighbouring properties. - The amount of parking available at the property given that the proposal is to create a 7 bedrooomed house. It is likely that if approved, the result will be a proliferation of on-street parking which could cause highways issues and dangers in a residential area.

22/00038/DISCON 143 Mansfield Rd Mr L Hewitt	Discharge of conditions 12, 14 and 16.	This Parish Council had no objections to this application.
20/01153/DISCON The Old Coal Yard, North Wingfield Rd Ms E Smith	Discharge of conditions 5, 8, 9, 10, 14, 18, 19 and 21.	This Parish Council had no objections to this application.
22/00086/FLH Willow Tree House, Mansfield Rd Mr C Hubbuck	Single storey rear extension	This Parish Council had no objections to this application.

RESOLVED to note the report.

3782. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC RESOLVED that under Regulation 4 (2)(b) of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that in view of the nature of the items of business, that if members of the public were present, exempt information as defined in Paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 would be disclosed to them.

Summary of proceedings conducted after the public had been excluded from the meeting

Report of the Clerk on a request for a Councillor Dispensation. (Contains information relating to a particular employee, former employee or applicant to become an employee of, or a particular officeholder, former office-holder or applicant to become an office-holder under, the Authority).

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Chair