

BRADWELL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday 1st March 2016

Present: Cllr P Downing (Chair), Cllr C Furness, Cllr L Granger, Cllr P Higgs, Cllr K Lancaster, Cllr M Salvage, Cllr L Sowerby, Cllr R Stevens.

Mr S Lawless (Clerk)

Members of the public: One visitor attended this meeting.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The visitor, Mr A. Bryan – CEO of Hope Construction Materials (HCM), attended this meeting to brief the council on developments at the cement works and to discuss other matters of mutual interest. This was a wide ranging discussion covering the imminent merger with Breedon, the ongoing and planned investment in the site and the future outlook for the business.

The discussion then included matters of interest to the council where it was thought that HCM might be able to help.

027/2016 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllr N Kirkham by reason of work commitments and from Cllr A Nash by reason of holidays. These apologies were accepted by the meeting.

028/2016 Declaration of Interests

No pecuniary interests were declared.

029/2016 Acceptance & Signing of Previous Minutes and Matters Arising

It was **resolved** to accept the minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 02/02/16.

It was **resolved** to accept the minutes of the Youth Club committee meeting of 08/02/16.

It was **resolved** to accept the minutes of the Finance committee meeting of 11/02/16.

030/2016 Finance

Financial Authorisations

	Payee	Purpose	Amount (£)	Cheque Number
1	Mr S Lawless	Clerk's salary, allowances & expenses (£80.28)	701.78	100785
2	Mr A Samwell	Bus Shelter cleaning (18/02/16)	10.00	100786
3	Mr A Nash	Reimburse Chair's Allowance	10.00	100787
	TOTAL		£ 721.78	

It was **resolved** to authorise the above three transactions above together with the following three supplementary transactions. It was **resolved** to pay the lower rate (with no training options) of DALC subscription for the coming year.

	Payee	Description	Amount	Cheque
4	Mr G Storey	Caretaking Services	80.00	100788
5	Bradwell Packaging Services Ltd	Storage Charges – 01/02/16 – 28/02/16	48.00	100789
6	DALC	Annual subscription for 2016/17	308.23	100790
	TOTAL		£ 436.23	

Other Financial Matters

The Clerk gave his financial report and presented the latest financial analysis including recent receipts. There were no queries about this information.

Cllr Stevens gave her report from the Finance committee following its recent meeting. The main item of this report was the proposal to invest £25k in order to ensure that all council monies were covered by the governments' Financial Compensation Scheme. After a wide ranging discussion it was **resolved** that the Clerk should open another bank account, with a bank not under the same licences as the existing accounts, into which the £25k and the money from the sale of the Quarry Piece should be deposited.

The application from St Barnabas for a S137 grant for the maintenance of the Churchyard was considered. It was **resolved** not to grant any money in response to this application and the Clerk is to write to St. Barnabas PCC to explain the reason.

The application from St Barnabas for a S137 grant for the maintenance of the Church Clock was considered. It was **resolved** to pay the requested £130 subject to there not being a payment for Clock maintenance during 2015.

The application from Bradwell Bowls Club for a S137 grant towards the cost of outdoor seating was considered. It was **resolved** to grant a sum of £300 towards this initiative and to encourage the Bradwell Bowls Club to approach the DDDC councillor or Dales Housing to contribute the balance of the sum applied for.

The offer from Utilitywise to move the contract for BPPF electricity from E.ON to British Gas for a 3 year contract was considered. Given the small value of the saving (c. £10 p.a.) it was **resolved** not to accept this offer.

031/2016 Parish Council processes

Initial plans for the Annual Parish Meeting, planned for Tuesday 26th April, were considered. It was decided to change the venue to the Memorial Hall (if available), to invite appropriate principal authorities and partner agencies, to invite village organisations and to provide some refreshments. The Clerk is to issue the invitations and to produce a draft agenda for the next PC meeting.

Initial plans for the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council, planned for 3rd May, were considered. It was decided to streamline the process as much as possible (as per last year) by issuing papers for approval (e.g. council policies, committee Terms of Reference) well in advance.

Council considered the matter of a village celebration, organised by the council, to mark the Queen's 90th Birthday. It was decided, given that other village groups had already made plans for celebratory events, not to make any council plans.

032/2016 Village Issues / Initiatives

The discussion with the representative of Hope Construction Materials was covered during Public Participation.

Cllr Sowerby gave her progress report from the Youth Club committee following its recent meeting. Her report included:-

- The Youth Leader is still poorly and is unlikely to return until 21st March at the earliest.
- Attendances have increased with up to 18 members on some evenings.
- Three supervisors are needed per session.
- Funding is OK for this term.
- Dales Housing has asked to be involved and they will soon be invited to attend a session.

Progress in resolving the present situation regarding the Fire and Rescue Service in Bradwell was considered. DFRS management say that they are happier with the present manning levels. It has been reported that new staff have been recruited.

The correspondence received regarding the proposed NHS North Derbyshire CCG cuts in funding to the Eyam GP Practice Grindleford surgery was considered. It was decided that members should determine if any further cuts are planned.

The request from Bradda Dads to borrow the large marquee for use in its annual Wolf's Pit Fell Race was considered. It was decided to agree to this request.

033/2016 Playing Fields, Open Spaces & Village Caretaking

Cllr Stevens gave her progress report from the Playing Fields & Open Spaces committee. Her report included the following information:-

- The walling work on BPPF is progressing.
- The information on the RoSPA training course was considered. It was decided not to attend.
- A resident has expressed interest in doing council caretaking work. The Clerk is now to instruct him to start work on some of the outstanding jobs.
- The quotation to create a Toddlers' Play Area on the TBPF basketball court was considered. The Clerk is to obtain further quotations for comparison purposes.

Cllr Granger gave her progress report on the development of a car park in Soft Water Lane. She reported that she has produced an Invitation to Tender for display in the Post Office and on Bradwell News and updated quotes are to be obtained against the new specification.

Progress in dealing with the council quarry in Bradwell Dale was discussed. Despite much work by Cllrs Furness and Higgs over the past month it has not yet been possible to determine the boundaries of the council's quarry. The landowner of the adjacent quarry is expected to retrieve the deeds to his property in the coming weeks and a decision on the boundaries will then be taken. It was decided to delay the sale of the quarry until after the boundaries have been determined and parties who have expressed an interest are to be informed. It was also decided to post notices in the quarry to deter climbers from fixing bolts to the quarry face.

Progress in the provision of allotments for residents was considered. No progress has yet been made as no suitable land has been identified. It was decided that Cllr Stevens should investigate a number of suggested sites and report back to the next meeting.

The Clerk gave an update on recent caretaking activities. He also reported that a spare defibrillator has been offered to the council by Bradwell Sports Club for installation in a more central location in the village. It was decided that Cllr Lancaster should contact Great Hucklow to determine how they installed their defibrillator.

034/2016 DCC Highways and Rights of Way

Progress in the initiative to install 'Welcome to Bradwell' signs and up to 15 new concrete planters in the verges was considered. Progress has been made with one application which is now in the consultation phase. Discussions will be held later this week with PDNPA regarding the need to obtain Advertising consent. If consent is not required then DCC will be informed.

The DCC proposal for changes to road signage to prevent problems caused by HGVs using inappropriate roads in the parish was considered. It was decided that this proposal was acceptable and the Clerk is to contact DCC to inform them of this decision.

The DCC consultation request to comment on its proposals to cut funding to subsidised local bus services was considered. It was decided that individual members should respond to this request and that Cllrs Granger & Higgs should draft a response on behalf of the council.

The DCC consultation request to comment on its recently published Highways Asset Infrastructure Management Strategy (HAIMS) was considered. It was decided that individual members should respond to this request.

The matter of vehicles being parked on grass verges in the parish was considered. The suggestion that verges could be converted to lay-bys is to be explored with DCC Highways.

The DCC consultation request on the proposed Temporary Road Closure Order to be made for a Street Party in Hollowgate, Bradwell on Saturday 14th May 2016 from 9.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m. to celebrate the Queen's 90th Birthday was considered. It was decided to support this application.

035/2016 PDNPA & Planning Applications

Type	Date of Application / Notice	Reference	Property	Summary
New	16/02/16	NP DDD 0216 0131	Ferndown, Smalldale, Bradwell	Alterations and extension to existing building
Reviewed	27/01/16	NP DDD 0116 0060	Newburgh House, Netherside, Bradwell	Renovate house & rear garden. Council supported this application (8/2).

The above planning applications were noted.

The planning application for the Newburgh site (NP DDD 0815 0779) was considered. Cllr Downing gave an update on the conversation he recently had with the planning officer responsible for this application. The officer stated that progress is being made, the financial viability assessment will be analysed by an independent consultant and the latest proposals were broadly in line with earlier versions. Once the application is finalised it will then be subject to another consultation.

The non-documented planning issues observed around the parish were considered. It was decided that the Clerk should contact PDNPA a) in one case to get the matter on the priority list for enforcement and b) in the second case to provide photographic evidence and ask if planning permission is required for the installation.

The communications between PDNPA & a resident concerning the construction of a garden shed permitted by PDNPA (NP DDD 0715 0643) were considered. It was decided that the Clerk should write to PDNPA to ask that this matter be resolved.

036/2016 Other Partner Authorities / Agencies

The request from DDDC to identify road traffic pinch points in the parish caused by inconsiderate parking of vehicles that could prevent access of emergency vehicles was considered. It was decided that members should send their observations to Cllr Furness.

The invitation from the Voluntary and Community Services Peaks and Dales for volunteers to help in various projects was considered. No action was decided.

The communication from Dales Housing regarding its Rural Neighbourhood Action Plan for Local villages was noted.

037/2016 Reports from Council Representatives on Outside Bodies / Attendance at External Meetings / Relationship with Local Authorities & Other Bodies

Recent Meetings:

Date	Event	Council Representative(s)
17/02/16	DDDC Area Community Forum Agricultural Business Centre, Bakewell from 19:00 Cllr Granger gave her report on this meeting.	Cllrs Furness & Granger
18/02/16	PDNPA Planning Training Aldern House, Bakewell from 17:45 It was felt that this training was useful.	Cllrs Granger, Kirkham & Nash

Future Meetings:

Date	Event	Council Representative(s)
03/03/16	PDNPA Planning Training Aldern House, Bakewell from 17:45	Cllrs Downing, Higgs & Sowerby
08/03/16	HCM – Liaison Meeting	Cllrs Lancaster & Sowerby
23/03/16	PDNPA – Neighbourhood Planning seminar Agricultural Business Centre, Bakewell from 19:00	Cllr Nash is to speak. Cllrs Downing & Furness are to attend.
09/04/16	OSS – ‘Restoring the Record’ Training for DMMO appl’ns 6 Mount St., Manchester from 09:30	

038/2016 Publications / Information Received

Date of Information	Description	Decision Req'd
27/01/16	DDDC - ‘Clean for the Queen’ litter picking initiative (29/02/16)	
02/02/16	Dales Housing – Estates Walkabout	
03/02/16	DALC General Circular 03 – External Audit for Smaller Councils; Transparency Fund; DALC Subscriptions 2016/17; DALC Spring Seminar; Training; Vacancies	
04/02/16	RAD – Community Oil Buying Scheme	
04/02/16	PDNPA –Planning committee meeting of 12/02/16	
07/02/16	PDNPA – Step into Spring with NP Rangers	
10/02/16	PDNPA – Twenty Pence charge for Dovedale toilets	
11/02/16	NALC – BBC Local Council Tax Rise story	
16/02/16	PDNPA – New Stannage Pole to mark PDNP Anniversary	
16/02/16	DDCVS – email Update from DDCVS	
18/02/16	PDNPA – Stunning Image Rewards Photographer’s Patience	
18/02/16	DALC – Information request on Village Halls	
23/02/16	EMC – Evelyn Medical Centre petition to stop new pharmacy	
23/02/16	DALC General Circular 04 – Grants; Training & Events; DALC Annual Subscription; Vacancy	Y

The above publications were noted.

The Clerk was asked to investigate if a grant to maintain the Cenotaph in St. Barnabas churchyard can be obtained.

039/2016 Date of Next meeting

The next parish council meeting will commence at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday 5th April 2016 in the Methodist Lounge, Towngate, Bradwell.

The meeting concluded at 10:30 p.m.