

BRADWELL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday 7th February 2012

Present: Cllr R Davies, Cllr P Downing (Chair), Cllr P Higgs,
Cllr A Nash, Cllr S Ridgeway, Cllr R Stevens

Mr S Lawless (Clerk)

Member of the Public:
DDDC Cllr C Furness, Mrs L Granger, Mrs K Lancaster, Mrs J Jewel,
Mrs M Harrison, Mr T Allcroft, Mr D Gluck, Ms M Kanarek, Mr N McCloud,

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation at this point

001/2012 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllr V Horstead by reason of family holidays.

002/2012 Declaration of Members' Interests

Cllr Higgs declared a personal interest in the matter of the grit bin on Evans Close (008/2012), Cllr Ridgeway declared a personal interest in the matter of dog fouling around Soft Water Lane (008/2012) and Cllr Stevens declared a personal interest in the matter of the planning application from Newburgh Estates Ltd (009/2012).

003/2012 Acceptance & Signing of Previous Minutes and Matters Arising

It was **resolved** to accept the minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council of 06/12/2011.

It was **resolved** to accept the minutes of the Carnival committee meeting of 12/12/11 subject to one clerical change.

The comments of the Youth Club meeting of 4th January 2012 were noted.

The comments of the Youth Club meeting of 1st February 2012 were noted subject to one clerical change.

004/2012 Finance

Authorisations for Approval

	Payee	Purpose	Amount (£)	Cheque Number
These Cheques Were Issued Between Meetings				
1	Mr S Lawless	Clerk's salary, allowances & expenses (£277.25).	669.98	100109
2	Mrs E Day	Youth Leader's salary	159.60	100110
3	Mr P Nicols	Caretaking Services	206.25	100111
4	Mr A Samwell	Bus Shelter Cleaning	10.00	100112
5	Barry Wood Plant Hire	To fill one Grit Bin	72.00	100113
6	Bakewell & Eyam Community Transport	YC Transport	20.00	100114
7	Post Office Ltd (E.on electricity)	Electricity	8.99	100115
8	Post Office (HMRC PAYE payment)	HMRC PAYE Payment	537.88	100116
9	Bradwell War Memorial Hall	Room Hire	18.00	100117
10	High Peak Heating Supplies	Caretaking Supplies	16.84	100118

January - New Authorisations				
11	Mr S Lawless	Clerk's salary, allowances & expenses (£140.05).	774.39	100119
12	Mrs E Day	Youth Leader's salary	209.60	100120
13	Mr P Maden	Youth Club Assistant salary	75.00	100121
14	Mrs V Horstead	Council Supplies	35.72	100122
15	Mr P Nicols	Caretaking Services	206.25	100123
16	Mr A Samwell	Bus Shelter Cleaning	10.00	100124
17	Gillian Nowell FCA	Accountancy Services	50.00	100125
18	Open Spaces Society	Annual Subscription	40.00	100126
19	JPR Farm Direct Ltd	Caretaking Materials – Soil	75.00	100127
20	High Peak Heating Supplies	Youth Club & caretaking materials	37.96	100128
	TOTAL		£3,233.46	

It was **resolved** to authorise the above 20 financial transactions.

Other Financial Matters

The successful audit of the third quarter accounts was noted by the meeting.

The Clerk presented a summary of spending and receipts as at the end of the third quarter.

The Clerk is to convene the next meeting of the Finance committee.

The implications of DALC Circular 02/2012 were considered. This information suggested the possibility that from the 2013 financial year the government could cap increases in parish council precepts to a maximum of 3.5% unless any increase was supported by public referendum. It was decided to convene a special parish council meeting to review future precepts.

The request from Bradwell War Memorial Hall for a S137 grant towards the cost of replacing the guttering around the Hall was considered. A number of suggestions for reducing the cost of the work were discussed which would be investigated after the meeting. It was **resolved** that council would offer a S137 grant to pay for this work up to a maximum of £1,860.

005/2012 Parish Council Processes

The meeting noted the election of Chris Furness as the DDC Councillor for the Bradwell ward.

Council membership:

- The meeting noted the retirement of Chris Furness from the parish council and thanked him for his work for the council over the past 12 years.
- It was **resolved** to suspend Standing Orders. The meeting considered the two applications to join the council. Mrs Granger and Mrs Lancaster in turn addressed the council, giving a summary of their backgrounds and their reasons for wishing to join the council. It was **resolved** to co-opt both as new councillors. Both signed the Acceptance of Office and joined the meeting. It was **resolved** to re-instate Standing Orders.
- The meeting considered the need to co-opt one further new councillor to fill the remaining vacancy. It was decided to continue advertising the vacancy on the notice boards and also to advertise it in Bradwell News and on the website.

The need to appoint additional councillors to be signatories of the Co-operative Bank and Santander bank accounts was considered. It was **resolved** that Cllr Stevens should be an additional signatory for the Co-operative Bank account and that Cllrs Higgs and Stevens should be additional signatories for the Santander account.

The appointment of councillors to committees and local bodies was considered. It was **resolved** to make the following appointments:-

Finance committee	– Chair Cllr Stevens, new member Cllr Granger
Youth Club	– new member Cllr Lancaster
Lafarge Liaison	– new member Cllr Lancaster
Community Rail Partnership	– new member Cllr Granger

The implications of the new Localism Bill (see DALC Circular 59) were considered. It was decided that Cllrs Granger, Higgs and Lancaster should meet to propose the establishment of a committee and to draft its Terms of Reference. These proposals are to be presented to the next council meeting.

006/2012 Village Issues / Initiatives

The Clerk presented the last two monthly Policing reports for Bradwell. No issues were raised with these reports. It was decided not to recommend a member of the local Safer Neighbourhood Team for a policing award.

The Clerk gave an update on the nominated DCC 'Community Clean Up' projects. He reported that, in addition to the work on the Brook, the repainting of the Youth Club has now been completed. The next project is to be the cutting back of undergrowth on selected village footpaths. The Clerk will liaise with DCC and the Probation Service regarding this project which is likely to start after Easter.

Cllr Ridgeway gave her report on recent meetings and activities at the Youth Club. She reported that the ice skating event had been cancelled, a liaison meeting had been held with Police, and a Valentine's disco was planned for mid-February. The requested redecoration of the Club by the National Probation Service has been completed and the Clerk was asked to write a letter of thanks for their work.

The consultation request from DCC regarding their provision of Youth Services was considered. It was noted that some funds might be available for the Youth Club from DCC. The Clerk is to contact DCC about this.

Cllr Higgs' report on the DCC initiative to provide super fast broadband was considered. He reported that at the DCC meeting only a low level of information was provided. Cllr Downing is the nominated Broadband champion for Bradwell.

The letter from DCC regarding the preservation of the names on War Memorials was considered and it was decided that the Clerk should investigate the ownership of the memorial.

The invitation from DDDC to become involved with the Olympic Torch Relay 2012 was considered and it was decided not to apply to become involved in this event.

The letter from Lafarge Cement UK Ltd about their proposal to use a waste derived fuel (SRF) was considered. It was decided that Cllr Davies should ask for air quality figures at the next Lafarge Liaison meeting.

It was **resolved** to suspend Standing Orders.

Mr David Gluck, Ms Melanie Kanarek and Mr Nick McCloud (programme manager and local volunteers respectively) gave a presentation on the background and objectives of 'Bright Sparks' programme. The presentation was to raise awareness of the initiative and on how they could help local groups and businesses. It was **resolved** to re-instate Standing Orders.

The response from DDDC to the PC letter concerning the DDDC toilet facilities was noted.

The response from DDDC to the PC letter concerning the Hathersage Swimming Pool was noted.

The letter of thanks from a resident with respect to the council's nomination for a DCC Derbyshire Young Achievers award was noted.

007/2012 Playing Fields & Village Caretaking

The Clerk gave his report on the recent caretaking activities of the caretakers. These included routine litter picking, installing a replacement grit bin, obtaining and digging in additional top soil at TBPF and repairing the TBPF zip-wire.

Cllr Higgs stated that the proposals agreed at the last meeting for managing the playing fields have been put in place and were currently working satisfactorily.

The provision of Christmas decorations around the village was reviewed and Cllr Downing thanked Cllr Davies and local residents for their help in the provision, erection, decoration and ultimate disposal of an attractive Christmas tree on Beggars Plot playing field. The Chair would consider how best to recognise the efforts of the residents.

The request from a resident to hold a family event on Beggars Plot playing field was considered. It was decided to grant this request subject to no damage being done to the ground and the resident providing own insurance for this event.

008/2012 Highways, Rights of Way & Open Spaces

The Clerk reported on the latest position regarding the maintenance of village footpaths.

The invitation from DCC to comment on its Revised Policy for Management of Motorised Vehicles in the Countryside was deferred until the next meeting.

The latest version of the DCC Local Transport Plan to improve Derbyshire roads was noted.

The response from DCC Highways to decline the request to install a Vehicle Activated (flashing speed limit) Sign at the southern end of the village was noted.

The problem of dog fouling around the village & especially near Soft Water Lane was considered. It was decided that the Clerk should investigate the possibility of re-locating a dog litter bin closer to the start of the footpath.

The request from a resident of Evans Close that a grit bin be installed there was considered. It was decided that the Clerk should a) reply to the resident that council was still considering this matter and b) put it on the agenda for the next meeting.

The letter from Natural England that South Lee Meadows site has been notified as a Site of Special Scientific Interest was noted.

A resident's suggestion that the small plot of land adjacent to Town Bottom playing field be managed by the council was considered. It was decided to contact the owner to suggest that the council manage this plot.

009/2012 Planning Applications

Type	Date of Application / Notice	Reference	Property	Summary
New	11/01/12	NP DDD 0112 0034	2 Sunny Bank, Smalldale, Bradwell	Remove 2 sheds & erect underground garage
Reviewed	02/12/11	NP DDD 1111 1145	Matchcroft, Smalldale, Bradwell	Installation of roof window & stove flue. Council supported this application.
Granted	26/08/11	NP DDD 0811 0847	Stafford Croft, Brookside, Bradwell	Extension to & alterations to buildings. Council supported this application.
Refused	01/09/11	NP DDD 0811 0852	Wortley Barn, Wortley Court, Bradwell	Conversion of barn to holiday accommodation. Council opposed this application.

The above planning applications were noted.

Newburgh Estates Ltd.

No new information was available concerning the amended Outline Planning Application, NP/DDD/1208/1089, from Newburgh Estates Ltd. for the Newburgh site.

Progress regarding the letter from PDNPA giving the final version of their 'Parishes Accord' and their 'Guide to Planning Services' was considered. The Clerk reported that PDNPA are deciding how this will work in practice.

The request to lobby government regarding the handling of large planning applications was considered. It was decided that the Clerk should inform both the government minister and the local MP of the council's support in this matter.

010/2012 Reports from Council Representatives on Outside Bodies / Attendance at External Meetings / Relationship with Local Authorities & Other Bodies

Recent Meetings:

Date	Event	Council Representative(s)
08/12/11	Bright Sparks – Introductory Meeting Bakewell Town Hall, Bakewell 17:00	
09/12/11	DCC – Young Achievers Award 2011 Presentation Highfields School, Matlock 18:30	Cllr Furness
12/12/11	HVRUG – Celebrations for Improved Railway Timetable Local station &/or Sheffield	
11/01/12	DCC – Broadband Champions County Hall, Matlock from 17:30 Cllr Higgs gave his report earlier in the meeting.	Cllr Higgs
25/01/12	HVRUG – AGM Lawrence Room, Memorial Hall, Hathersage 20:00	

Future Meetings:

Date	Event	Council Representative(s)
20/01/12	Derbyshire Wildlife Trust – Workshop on Invasive Species Medway Centre, Bakewell.	
25/01/12	HVRUG – AGM Lawrence Room, Memorial Hall, Hathersage from 20:00	
27/02/12	DDDC Parish & Town Council Conference (to include issues associated with Localism Act) Town Hall, Matlock from 19:00	Cllrs Granger and Nash
14/03/12	HPHVCRP Lawrence Hall, Hathersage from 10:00	
17/03/12	Green Directions – Green Technology Workshop Townfield Head Farm, Stannington, S6 6GR	
20/03/12	DDDC – Area Community Forum Agricultural Business Centre, Bakewell from 19:00	Cllr Lancaster
21/03/12	DALC – further training on Neighbourhood Planning Little Eaton Hall, Little Eaton from 18:00	Cllrs Davies, Downing & Nash
26/04/12	DCC Parish & Town Council Liaison Forum County Hall, Matlock from 18:00	

The above meetings were noted.

011/2012 Publications / Information Received

Date of Information	Description	Decision Req'd
28/11/11	HPHVCRP – Minutes of meeting	
01/12/11	DWT – Invitation to be considered as a Mini-Habitat project	Y
03/12/11	OSS – Request for donation to campaign against the National Planning Policy Framework	
12/12/11	Eco – Derbyshire Eco Centre Course Programme (Jan – Apr)	
14/12/11	PDNPA – letter from John Herbert (Chair of Planning cttee)	
14/12/11	DDDC – artsMATTERS Winter edition newsletter	
14/12/11	DDDC - Queen's Diamond Jubilee Beacons celebrations background	
14/12/11	DALC – Circular 61: General Circular; DWT Invitation to Workshop on Invasive Non-Native Species; DWT Mini-Habitat Project; Employment Tip 21; Vacancies	
16/12/11	Came & Co – managing Seasonal Issues newsletter	
16/12/11	DALC – Circular 62: Training 2012	
16/12/11	DALC – Circular 63: Model Contract of Employment	
21/12/11	DDDC – Walking for Health (Jan – Mar) Guide	
22/12/11	CPRE – 'Planning Explained' booklet	
22/12/11	Eco Centre – Nordic Walking Courses flyer	
22/12/12	E.On – Customer Information booklet.	
03/01/12	Clerks & Councils Direct – January Newsletter	
06/01/12	DALC – Circular 01: Index of Most Important 2011 DALC Circulars	
06/01/12	DALC – Circular 02: General Circular; Excessive Rises in Council Tax; Fairplay for Children Survey; Allotments Regeneration Initiative	
06/01/12	DALC – Circular 03: Local Council Review Subscriber Form	
06/01/12	DALC – Circular 04: General Circular; Prayers at Council Meetings; NALC Consultation Responses a) Neighbourhood Planning, b) Technical Reforms of Council Tax c) Community Infrastructure Levy d) Local Government Pension Scheme & e) Groundwater Protection	
19/01/12	SIA – Spinal Injuries Association – Fundraising Event – 18/05/12	Y
19/01/12	DALC – Quality Council training event – 25/01/12	
20/01/12	Came & Co – Councillors' Guide to PC Insurance	
27/01/12	Atlow Mill Centre – personal development course programme	
27/01/12	Derbyshire Constabulary - planned changes to enquiry office	
27/01/12	DALC – Circular 05: General Circular; DALC Subscriptions; New Public Health System; Heating or Eating; DALC Chief Officer Post	
27/01/12	DALC – Circular 06: DCC Items Circular; DCC Parish & Town Councils' Forum; Derbyshire Infrastructure Plan & Developer protocol; DCC Consultation on Management of Vehicular Use in Countryside; DCC A New Youth Offer	
27/01/12	DALC – Circular 07: General Circular; Draft Community Right Challenge Statutory Instruments & Guidance; PAYE Arrangements for Clerks & RFOs; Local Council	
30/01/12	Derbyshire Police Authority – Have Your Say programme results	
30/01/12	Rural Action Derbyshire 'A Year in the Life of RAD 2010-11'	
30/01/12	CPRE – A Guide to Neighbourhood Planning	
30/01/12	Rural Action Derbyshire - The Playing Field newsletter	

The above communications were noted.

The Clerk is to pass 'The Playing Field' Autumn newsletter to Cllr Higgs.

012/2012 Date of Next meeting

It was agreed that the next regular council meeting would be at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday 6th March 2012 in the Methodist Lounge.

The meeting concluded at 11:06 p.m.