

BRADWELL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday 9th August 2011

Present: Cllr R Davies, Cllr P Downing (Chair), Cllr C Furness, Cllr P Higgs,
Cllr V Horstead, Cllr S Ridgeway, Cllr R Stevens

Mr S Lawless (Clerk)

Member of the Public:
Mr I Jarvis, PCSO A Boswell

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no items of public participation.

102/2011 Apologies for Absence

The following apologies were received: Cllr R Harrison by reason of family matters, Cllr J Lawson by reason of health problems and Cllr A Nash by reason of work commitments. These apologies were accepted by the meeting.

103/2011 Declaration of Members' Interests

Cllrs Downing & Horstead declared personal interests in the matter of the Village Plan (105/2011), Cllr Horstead declared a personal interest in the matter of the allotments (109/2011), and Cllr Stevens declared a personal interest in the matter of the Newburgh planning application (110/2011).

104/2011 Acceptance & Signing of Previous Minutes and Matters Arising

It was **resolved** to accept the minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 5th July 2011 subject to two small amendments.

It was **resolved** to accept the minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 22nd July 2011.

105/2011 Finance

Authorisations for Approval

	Payee	Purpose	Amount (£)	Cheque Number
1	Mr S Lawless	Clerk's salary & allowances & expenses (£210.24).	844.78	100047
2	Mrs E Day	Youth Leader salary	100.00	100048
3	Mr P Nicols	Caretaking Services	562.50	100049
4	Mr J Frith	Caretaking Services	290.00	100050
5	M.N.Salvage	Caretaking Services (2 invoices)	317.01	100051
6	Mr A Samwell	Bus Shelter cleaning (June & July)	20.00	100052
7	C.I.Strong	Supply & fix 2 picnic tables	616.36	100053
8	Wm Eyre & Sons	Caretaking Materials	107.45	100054
9	Andy Oldfield	Flowers & Compost for Tubs	98.60	100055
10	Derbyshire Dales District Council	Uncontested Election Expenses	295.40	100056
11	Mrs V Horstead	Carnival - Queens' expenses/rosettes	143.86	100057
12	Heatherhill Farm	Carnival - Banners	80.00	100058
13	Winning Ways	Carnival - Trophies	33.78	100059
14	Montana Events Ltd	Carnival - Entertainment	354.00	100060
15	Cancer Research UK	Carnival - Erecting Bunting	200.00	100061
16	Michael Desmond	Carnival - Man & Van	160.00	100062
	TOTAL		£4,223.74	

It was **resolved** to authorise the 16 above financial transactions together with the following 4 additional transactions:-

	Payee	Description	Amount	Cheque
17	Wm Eyre & Sons	Caretaking Materials	11.34	100063
18	High Peak Heating Supplies	Caretaking Materials	74.84	100064
19	Pennine Woodworking Ltd.	Stand for Village Map	477.60	100065
20	Gillian Nowell FCA	Interim Audit – First Quarter	125.00	100066
	TOTAL		£ 688.78	

The Clerk is to ensure that the donation for one of the TBPF picnic benches (c.f. item 7 above) is obtained from Bradda Dads.

Other Financial Matters

It was noted that the Bank of Scotland account has now been closed and the cheques received (£18,415.48) have been banked in the Co-operative Bank account.

It was noted that the council's 2010/2011 accounts have now been returned by the External Auditor with no observations.

It was noted that the council's accounts for the first quarter have been reviewed by the Internal Auditor and have been found to be satisfactory.

It was noted that the application to reclaim the MUGA VAT has been submitted to HMRC and that payment has now been received. The 'Thank You' card from Bradwell Sports Club for council assistance with the MUGA launch was noted.

The request for a S137 grant of £400 from a village group wishing to produce an updated Village Plan was considered.

It was **resolved** to suspend Standing Orders to allow the public to join the debate.

Mr I Jarvis stated that it was now many years since the original Village Plan had been produced, much of the work identified has been completed, and that the plan now needs refreshing.

It was **resolved** to contribute £400 from the S137 fund subject to the group being properly constituted, appointing a management committee and being seen to be progressing the work proposed.

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

The S137 application from the Well Dressing committee for the £60 cost for tree surgery at the Smalldale well site was considered. It was decided not to make this grant and the Clerk was asked to inform the committee of the decision.

The letter of thanks from Bakewell & Eyam Community Transport for the recent council S137 grant was noted.

106/2011 Parish Council Processes

The need for training of councillors was considered and it was decided that Cllrs Harrison, Higgs, Ridgeway and Stevens should attend the 'Power of Well Being' and 'Law & Good Practice for Parish Councils' courses on 27/09/11 in Hathersage.

The need to extend council communication with residents was considered. The Clerk was asked to investigate whether it was possible to obtain another panel on the Memorial Hall notice board to display more information e.g. the Residents' Information Sheet. It was also decided to produce and distribute a copy of the council Annual Report in Bradwell News from next year.

The Clerk reported that no enquiries had been received regarding the book-keeping vacancy.

107/2011 Village Issues / Initiatives

It was noted that the council's letter of complaint regarding the removal of the Saturday skip service has been sent to DDDC and that a reply has been received. The reply was considered and it was decided that the Clerk should respond to this reply.

It was noted that no further communication has been received from DDDC regarding the provision of public conveniences.

The response from DCC Library services was considered and it was decided that the Clerk should respond to this reply.

The initial response from the DCC 'Community Clean Up' campaign was considered and it was decided that the Clerk should complete an application form for one project and discuss the others when he meets with the supervisor.

Cllr Ridgeway gave a report on the Youth Club. She and Cllr Harrison had visited the Club and discussed the position with Mrs Day. Mrs Day stated that she was experiencing difficulty in getting enough volunteers and that she was compiling a members' 'Wish List' for new equipment. Mrs Day has requested payment to cover her fuel costs while attending the Youth Club during holiday periods and this was agreed. The Clerk is to convene a Youth Club committee meeting.

Cllr Horstead gave a report on this year's Carnival. She stated that residents' response to the Carnival has been very positive and the event was well received. She high-lighted the negatives, the positives, the benefits to village organisations, the groups and individuals to be thanked and ideas for future years.

The Clerk was asked to write a letter of thanks to Lafarge and to request that the Sports Club replace the damaged marquee pole.

Progress with the application regarding the BT 'Adopt a Kiosk' scheme was considered and it was decided that the Clerk should complete and submit the application form.

The request from Macmillan Cancer Support that the council hold a fund-raising coffee morning was considered. It was decided that the Clerk should reply to the invitation to inform them that a) the council was unable to hold a coffee morning but that other village organisations may well be able to do so and b) that one village organisation would soon be in a position to make a substantial donation to the them.

It was **resolved** to suspend Standing Orders to allow the public to join the debate.

PCSO Boswell gave the monthly policing report. He stated that since 05/07/11 6 service calls and 2 crimes had been reported. He then responded to questions from members. Cllr Downing thanked him for attending.

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

The Clerk gave the background to the request for support from Eyam Medical Centre against proposed budget cuts by the PCT and informed members that the situation has now been resolved but could re-emerge in a few years time.

108/2011 Playing Fields & Village Caretaking

The Clerk gave a report on the extensive caretaking activities of the three caretakers over the past month. These included installing the new benches on TBPF, repairing dry stone walls, tidying shrubs in the Peace and Rose Gardens, tidying the Legion site and repairs to benches. The Clerk was asked to write to DDDC to ask it to dispose of bags of collected litter from TBPF.

The Clerk gave a report on the playing fields. The report included the work done to ensure that the fields were in good order for Carnival week. The verbal complaint from a resident about the condition of the Beggars Plot Youth Shelter was noted.

The information received about Sport England Inspired Facilities grant funding programme was considered. It was decided to refer this matter to the Playing Fields committee for its consideration.

It was noted that the village map at Town Bottom has now been successfully installed and it was agreed that the Village Map fund should now be closed with any balance transferred to General Funds.

109/2011 Highways, Rights of Way & Open Spaces

Cllr Horstead reported on progress in the council's provision of allotments. She reported that little progress has yet been made but she will continue to try to resolve this matter.

The Clerk reported on progress in the request to DCC Highways dept that a '30 mph' illuminated sign be installed at Dale End. DCC are presently gathering further information before coming to a decision.

The response from DCC regarding the suggested site for an additional bus shelter at Town Bottom was considered. DCC consider that the suggested site is unsafe. It was decided not to pursue this initiative.

The recent media interest in the registration of the Peace Gardens as a Village Green was noted.

The communication from the Open Spaces Society regarding two new government consultation papers associated with the registration of village greens was considered. It was decided that Cllr Higgs should review the documents and suggest a council response at the next meeting.

The communication from DCC regarding Winter Service Scheme was considered and it was decided that Cllr Downing should review the document and discuss this at the next meeting.

110/2011 Planning Applications

Type	Date of Application / Notice	Reference	Property	Summary
New	04/07/11	NP DDD 0611 0525	2 Sunny Bank, Smalldale, Bradwell	Remove 2 garden sheds and erect detached underground garage.
Reviewed	31/05/11	NP DDD 0511 0425	Mimosa, RAPS Building, Netherside, Bradwell	To add coffee shop to the premises. The council supported this application.
Enforcement	30/06/11	M.5815	Moss Rake West Quarry, Bradwell Moor, Bradwell	Removal of buildings, plant & machinery, restoration and aftercare between 12 & 24 months.

The above planning applications were noted.

Newburgh Estates Ltd.

Progress with the amended Outline Planning Application, NP/DDD/1208/1089, from Newburgh Estates Ltd. for the Newburgh site was considered. Cllr Downing reported on the recent meetings with Mr Middleton and on Mr Middleton's latest suggestion which included a science / technology block in the development. Following discussion it was decided that the Clerk should write to Mr Middleton to inform him that the council was unable to comment without first consulting with residents. Cllr Furness did not take part in this discussion.

The letter from Peak Park Watch seeking information of residents' grievances with the PDNPA was considered. It was decided not to respond to this letter.

111/2011 Reports from Council Representatives on Outside Bodies / Attendance at External Meetings / Relationship with Local Authorities & Other Bodies

Recent Meetings:

Date	Event	Council Representative(s)
09/07/11	BSC – Bradwell Sports Club – MUGA Opening Celebrations Sports Field from 14:00	All members
12/07/11	PDNPA – Annual Liaison meeting between officers and Local Councils Aldern House, Bakewell – from 18:00	
14/07/11	Live & Work Rural networking event Assembly Room, Town Hall, Bakewell 09:30 – 13:30	
19/07/11	DDDC – Area Community Forum Agricultural Business Centre, Bakewell 19:00 Cllr Stevens gave her report on this meeting.	All members

Future Meetings:

Date	Event	Council Representative(s)
22/09/11	NALC – Communities in Action Conference & Exhibition Venue to be confirmed	
01/10/11	PDNPA – Parishes’ Day Hope Valley College, Hope from 09:30 (book by 01/09/11)	Cllrs Davies & Downing
10/11/11	DCC Parish & Town Council Liaison Forum County Hall, Matlock at 18:00	

The above meetings were noted.

112/2011 Publications / Information Received

Date of Information	Description	Decision Req’d
01/07/11	DALC – Circular 34: Training – Additional Courses	
10/07/11	Peaks & Dales: Poster advertising Olympic themed taster sessions at Carsington Water on 27 th July 2011.	
18/07/11	DALC – Circular 35: Training Circular	
18/07/11	DALC – Circular 36: General Circular – DCC Winter Service questionnaire; DALC Executive committee; Vacancies; Quick Employment Tips	
20/07/11	Glasdon Direct catalogue (street equipment)	
20/07/11	Streetscape advertisement	
20/07/11	RAD: The Playing Field Newsletter	
21/07/11	DCC – Derbyshire Eco Centre’s course brochure	
21/07/11	Local Works: follow-up to appeal for support regarding the Leiston-cum-Sizewell proposal	
22/07/11	DALC – Circular 37: General Circular The Localism Bill – Progress So Far	
01/08/11	PDNPA – parishspeak newsletter	

The above communications were noted.

113/2011 Date of Next meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Tuesday 6th September in the Methodist Lounge, Towngate starting at 7:30 p.m.

The meeting concluded at 11:00 p.m.