

BRADWELL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday 23rd July 2013

Present: Cllr R Davies, Cllr P Downing (Chair), Cllr L Granger, Cllr V Horstead, Cllr K Lancaster, Cllr A Nash, Cllr M Salvage, Cllr R Stevens

Mr S Lawless (Clerk)

Members of the Public:
DDDC Cllr C Furness, PC I Richardson, PCSO A Boswell and 3 other residents

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

PC I Richardson gave an update on recent policing matters. He stated that:-

- the recent increase in the number of break-ins and burglaries has abated and that suspects had been arrested in Barnsley.
- the Police did not have the power to enforce current legislation relating to owners whose dogs foul public spaces.
- if the carnival committee wish to contact the duty officer during Carnival Saturday, they should use the '101' telephone number. He will arrange for the name of the officer on duty to be passed to the Clerk.

PART I – NON-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

087/2013 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllr P Higgs by reason of holidays.
These apologies were accepted by the meeting.

088/2013 Declaration of Members' Interests

Cllr Horstead declared an interest in the matter of the Allotments (094/2013).

089/2013 Acceptance & Signing of Previous Minutes and Matters Arising

It was **resolved** to accept the minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 25/06/13.

It was **resolved** to accept the minutes of the Carnival committee meeting of 02/07/13.

It was **resolved** to accept the minutes of the Neighbourhood Planning committee meeting of 17/07/13.

Financial Authorisations

	Payee	Purpose	Amount (£)	Cheque Number
1	Mr S Lawless	Clerk's salary allowances & expenses (£43.90)	679.80	100352
2	Mr M Loader	YC Youth Leader's salary	32.00	100353
3	Ms L Austin	YC Youth Assistant's salary	20.00	100354
4	Mr P Nicols	Caretaking Services	157.50	100355
5	Mr J Frith	Caretaking Services	90.00	100356
6	Mr A Samwell	Cleaning Bus Shelter Glass	10.00	100357
7	G.E. & M.P. Davies	Grass Mowing	210.00	100358
8	Mr A Oldfield	Supply of flowers for village tubs	90.00	100359
9	Local Council Services	Annual Return Verification	85.00	100360
10	Peak Waste Recycling Ltd	Skip Hire – 05/07/13	162.00	100361
11	The Rosette Company	Gala – Rosettes	61.80	100362
12	St John Ambulance Band	Gala – St John Ambulance Band	250.00	100363
13	Buxton Billerettes	Gala – Billerettes Donation	100.00	100364
14	Castleton Silver Band	Gala – Castleton Silver Band	95.00	100365
15	St John Ambulance	Gala – St John First Aid Cover	126.72	100366
16	David Spencer	Gala – Man & Van	100.00	100367
17	David Panks	Gala – Children's Entertainer	295.00	100368
18	Luxury Loos	Gala – Toilet Hire	270.00	100369
19	Hope Valley Cancer Research UK	Gala - Donation for erection & removal of bunting	200.00	100370
	TOTAL		£3,034.82	

It was **resolved** to authorise the above 19 financial transactions together with the following two transactions.

	Payee	Description	Amount	Cheque
20	Peak Waste Recycling Ltd	Skip Hire for Brook Cleaning – 12 & 15 July	444.00	100371
21	Winning Ways (Strides Ahead Ltd)	Gala – Additional Trophies	23.46	100372
	TOTAL		£ 467.46	

Given that transactions 10 & 20 were to facilitate the removal of weed from Bradwell Brook and were paid from the council's Contingency fund, it was **resolved** to vire £100 from the council's General Reserves into the Contingency fund in order to restore the Clerk's element of the Contingency fund back to £500.

Other Financial Matters

The Clerk tabled the latest financial position. He also gave updates on progress with Internal and External audits, with dealings with the HMRC and with the transfer of monies between council accounts.

The application from Bradwell Methodist Church for a S137 grant towards the cost of maintenance works was considered. After due deliberation it was **resolved** a) to grant the sum of £700 immediately and b) to invite the applicant to apply for consideration for a further grant should S137 funds remain towards the end of the current financial year.

091/2013 Parish Council Processes

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

The need to co-opt a new councillor to fill the present vacancy was considered. The two applicants for the vacancy were invited to address the council and these applicants then answered questions raised by members. The public were asked to leave the room while members deliberated and it was then **resolved** to co-opt Mrs. Lorraine Sowerby to the council. The public then returned to the room and the decision was announced.

It was **resolved** to re-instate Standing Orders.

The amended Financial Regulations document was reviewed and it was **resolved** to adopt this document. It was then signed by the Chair on behalf of council.

The latest information on developing an Asset Register was considered. Cllr Salvage is to seek to obtain further information on the life expectancy of street furniture for the next meeting. The Clerk is to send a copy of the current version of the Asset Register to Cllr Salvage and is to discuss how other councils handled this matter with DALC.

092/2013 Village Issues / Initiatives

The latest monthly Policing report for Bradwell had been considered during Public Participation.

Cllr Granger gave an update on progress in planning the Carnival. She stated that the minutes of the last Carnival committee meeting, accepted earlier in the meeting, gave a true picture of progress. The Clerk stated that he had arranged for the Beggars Plot grass to be cut on the Wednesday prior to Carnival. It was noted that yellow lines had been sprayed on various roads around potholes & gullies. The Clerk was asked to get confirmation that any planned road works will not impact on the Carnival.

The concern raised by the caretaker about fixing bunting to lamp posts was discussed. It was decided to refer this matter to the Carnival committee.

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

Cllr Granger gave her report from the Neighbourhood Planning (NP) committee following its recent meeting. She stated that a) the minutes of the last committee meeting, accepted earlier in the meeting, gave a true picture of progress, b) she and Cllr Nash had planned to meet with the grant provider to discuss what direct support, e.g. training, could be obtained, c) she would develop a work package for a planning consultant to provide a quotation and d) as only 90% of the grant money is provided at project start-up, there could be a short period when council would have to underwrite the remaining 10% until this is received from the grant provider.

Cllr Lancaster gave an update from the Youth Club committee. She reported that a) the Youth Club was presently closed, b) there were no plans to take up the offer to attend the Gliding Club during the summer shut-down and c) a committee meeting is scheduled to plan for the re-opening of the Club.

The reported DF&R review of resourcing was discussed. It was decided that the Clerk should arrange a meeting for Cllrs Davies and Nash to meet with DF&R management to discuss this matter.

The problem of dog litter around the village was discussed. Cllr Horstead suggested that dog litter bag dispensers should be provided round the village in the worst problem areas. She was asked to obtain costs for these dispensers. Cllr Downing discussed the 'Clean Neighbourhood & Environment Act 2005' and the section concerning Dog Control Orders. The Clerk is to send the link for this document to all members for discussion at the next meeting.

The information on the DDDC 'Blooming Dales!' competition to identify the best domestic and community gardens in the northern, central and southern areas of Derbyshire Dales was noted.

093/2013 Playing Fields, Open Spaces & Village Caretaking

The Clerk gave an update on the previous month's caretaking activities. Concern was expressed about the condition of footpath 36 at the far end of The Hills and the Clerk was asked to raise this matter with the DCC Rights of Way officer.

Cllrs Horstead and Stevens reported that there were no current issues from the Playing Fields and Open Spaces committee.

The Clerk gave an update on the removal of weed from the part of Bradwell Brook at Town Bottom. He reported that a) Cllr Granger had attended on the Saturday morning to get the Probation Service started, b) the 4 m³ skip he was advised to obtain was inadequate for the volume of weed in that section of the Brook and that he had ordered two additional 8 m³ skips (using Clerk's Contingency) in order to accommodate the weed, c) Bradda Dads had loaded the excess weed collected by the Probation Service into the new skips using equipment borrowed from the Simpson business and had also collected more weed from the Brook. It was decided that the Clerk should write a letter of thanks to the Probation Service and that Cllr Davies should investigate the possibility of having the water in the Brook chemically analysed to see if there are any chemicals present that encourage the excessive growth of the weed.

094/2013 Highways and Rights of Way

Cllr Horstead reported that she had discussed the use of the former Royal British Legion site with a representative of the Allotment Association and that he could see a way forward for using this site for allotments.

Cllr Downing gave an update on progress regarding the letter written to DDDC requesting that a car park be provided in Bradwell. Although this letter has been acknowledged, no formal response has yet been received. Cllr Furness reported that he has spoken to Mr P Foley, DDDC Director of Community Services, who indicated that there was a possibility of a £5k grant to use the Soft Water lane site, but that investigation is on-going.

095/2013 Planning Applications

Type	Date of Application / Notice	Reference	Property	Summary
New	23/05/13	NP DDD 0513 0399	Moorlow Tor, Granby Road, Bradwell	Side extension to domestic dwelling.
New	27/06/13	NP DDD 0613 0489	Outlands Farm Land at Hill Head, Bradwell	Demolition of 3 buildings and erection of an affordable dwelling
Reviewed	23/05/13	NP/DDD/0411/0370	Lafarge Cement, Hope Works, Hope	Use disused quarry for 30 touring caravans. Council supported this application (2/0)
Granted	07/12/12	NP DDD 1212 1228	Lumb Cottage, Brookside, Bradwell	Proposed extension to domestic dwelling. Council Opposed this application (2/3)

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 discussed. Cllr Downing reported that Mr J Keeley had stated that further information from the applicant was awaited and that the earliest the application could be formally considered was at the October planning committee meeting. The comments from Friends of the Peak District on this application were noted.

096/2013 Reports from Council Representatives on Outside Bodies / Attendance at External Meetings / Relationship with Local Authorities & Other Bodies

Recent Meetings:

Date	Event	Council Representative(s)
05/07/13	Sustaining the Commons conference Devonshire Building, Newcastle University	
08/07/13	DDDC Area Community Forum Agricultural Business Centre, Bakewell 19:00 DDDC Cllr Furness & Cllr Granger gave their reports on this Forum. The main points were that re-cycling rates have increased and that dog mess & car parking are common problems across DDDC. Cllr Furness was asked to investigate if the savings on refuse collection could allow the re-instatement of the monthly skip collection.	Cllr L Granger

Future Meetings:

Date	Event	Council Representative(s)
09/07/13	RICS Localism Symposium London	

097/2013 Publications / Information Received

Date of Information	Description	Decision Req'd
22/06/13	OSS: Open Spaces Society newsletter & AGM pack	
26/06/13	Marie Curie's Derbyshire 10k Twilight Spectacular	
28/06/13	DALC – Circular 13: General Circular; DALC website members area; free payroll software; public videos at council meetings; Local Council Administration book; General Power of Competence conference; DALC AGM; Training; wind turbines; Council Annual returns; Healthwatch	
01/07/13	Vitalise appeal	
02/07/13	RAD: Rural Matters Derbyshire newsletter	
03/07/13	DALC – Circular 14: General Circular; Good Councillor's Guide; Public Sector Mapping Agreement; Free Trees; Business rates; Free Containers	
05/07/13	OSS: Open Day at Dales Hall, Castlemorton for Open Spaces Society	
06/07/13	Clerks & Councils Direct newsletter	

If any member wishes to view any of these documents, please inform the Clerk.

098/2013 Date of Next meeting

The next PC meeting is planned to start at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday 27th August 2013 in the Methodist Lounge, Towngate, Bradwell.

Cllrs Horstead, Lancaster, Nash & Stevens gave their apologies by reason of holidays.

PART II – CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

There is no Confidential Business this month.

The meeting concluded at 10:18 p.m.