



Minutes of the
Meeting of the Parish Council
held at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday 4th July 2023.

Present: Cllr P Downing (Chair), Cllr B Salisbury, Cllr C Furness, Cllr L Granger, Cllr R Cornish, Cllr M Salvage, Cllr K Lancaster, Cllr A Taylor

Mrs C Preston (Clerk)

Members of Outside Bodies / Authorities: District Councillor Nash

Members of the public: Three

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION.

A member of the public raised the following questions/comments: -

- Are council still going to consider providing allotments in the village – Council advised that this item is on the agenda and would be discussed later in the meeting.
- Is there a plan to start looking after the flower tubs in the village – Council responded that a resident and a couple of the parish councillors are in the process of renewing all the flower tubs. It is hoped that residents will take over the watering of the pots.
- They are in support of a 20MPH speed limit in the village.
- There is an excessive amount of algae in the brook – is this normal and will it be removed – Council responded that the algae would increase with certain weather conditions. However, council have no responsibility for the brook, and it is the responsibility of Peak Forest Angling Club.
- They oppose the idea of having a small play area in Bradwell Springs as they were advised it would be a nature reserve when they purchased their house – Council advised that this item is on the agenda and would be discussed later in the meeting.
- They advised that people think where tape that has been installed in the area at the bottom of Bradwell Springs is going to be a path – Council advised that to the best of their knowledge the tape has been put up to stop livestock from wandering onto the estate. Council also stated that under their understanding Camstead Homes are responsible for the area until it is handed over to the management group for Bradwell Springs.

A member of the public advised that Hope Valley Action Group have applied for a grant of £600K for reviewing how villages in the Peak Park generate more electricity. If their bid is successful, they hope to have the funding available in November.

District Councillor (DC) Nash stated that Derbyshire Dales District Council (DDDC) had received reports of an operative throwing waste bins around when they were being emptied. They investigated the report, and the operative has been removed from the job. DC Nash advise that the grass adjacent to Elliott Avenue would be cut within a few days. DDDC have committed to have discussions with DC Nash and the parish council on the plans for biodiversity in this area for the coming year. DC Nash requested that the agenda item on requesting a freedom of information request on the contract for grass cutting in the village is postponed as he is in the process of establishing a good working relationship with the department responsible for grass cutting in Bradwell - Council advised that this item is on the agenda and would be discussed later in the meeting.

Cllr Salisbury reported on the meeting that took place with County Councillor Sutton, members of the Environment Agency and some parish councillors on flooding in the village. Unfortunately, the Environment Agency do not see the issues that Bradwell has with flooding to be problematic enough to be a priority for them. They stated that they have limited resources and must target the worst flooding problems under their area of control. They did state that they will continue to work on some areas e.g., to survey the remaining culverts but no timescale for this was given. Cllr Salisbury stated that the parish council are disappointed with the response from the Environment Agency and would have another meeting with County Councillor Sutton to see what can be done to increase the priority for Bradwell.

Apologies for Absence

147/2023

Apologies were received from Cllr Harrison by reason of work. These apologies were noted. Apologies were received from County Councillor Sutton.

Declaration of Members' Interests

148/2023

Cllr Lancaster declared an interest in agenda item 150/2023 as she is a director of the company MyPaye.

Cllr Lancaster declared an interest on any discussions on flooding as it affects her property.

Acceptance and signing of Previous Minutes and Matters Arising

149/2023

It was **resolved** to accept the minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 04/07/2023 with the following amendments: -

Remove Cllr Taylor from the list of attendees and show Cllr Taylor as having sent apologies by reason of work.

Financial Matters

150/2023

It was **resolved** to authorise the fourteen financial transactions from June below, together with seven supplementary transactions.

Ref	Payee	Description	Amount £	Cheque
01	Xero	Monthly direct debit	33.60	Direct Debit
02	E. ON	Monthly electricity charge	13.70	Direct Debit
03	HSBC	Monthly bank charge	5.00	Bank Charge
04	The Play Inspection company	Play equipment inspections	175.08	BACS
05	Knowles Warwick	Audit fees	1104.00	BACS
06	C Preston	Dry wipe markers	5.49	BACS
07	Total Energies	Electricity charges	68.67	BACS
08	C Preston	Flower tubs for villages verges	449.46	BACS
9	C Preston	Salary and Office allowance	883.50	BACS

10	NEST	Pension Contributions	63.18	Direct Debit
11	HMRC	NI contributions	19.95	BACS
12	The Valley Rambler	Carnival banners & vinyl overlays	184.00	BACS
13	Bradwell War Memorial Hall	Room booking	16.00	BACS
14	Sheaf Skips	Hire of skip for flowerpot debris	155.00	Debit card
Ref	Payee	Description	Amount	Cheque
01	G E Davies	Grass cutting	£350.00	BACS
02	Water Plus	Water charges public conveniences	£75.61	BACS
03	C Staves	Play equipment inspections	£50.00	BACS
04	A & J Cleaning	Public convenience cleaning	£240.59	BACS
05	Mr A Samwell	Bus shelter cleaning	£10.00	BACS
06	Cloudy IT	Microsoft 365 subscription	£87.24	BACS
07	Post office	Postage for letters to the banks	£11.25	Debit card

Other Financial Matters

151/2023

Cllr Lancaster reviewed the Co-operative bank account, and no queries were raised. It was resolved to move £30,000 from the Co-operative bank into the Unity Trust Deposit account as this account pays interest.

ACTION: Cllr Lancaster to complete the transfer and advise the clerk when complete so that councils accounts can be updated

152/2023

The clerk advised that The Annual Governance Statement of the council's 2022/23 Annual Return has been submitted.

153/2023

The clerk advised that Eon have increased Beggars Plot electricity direct debit amount from £13.70 to £48.90pcm from 1st August 2023. It was **resolved** that the clerk would seek a more economical supplier of electricity if one were available.

ACTION: Clerk to obtain a more economical supplier of electricity if possible.

Parish Council Processes

None

Parish Issues / Initiatives

154/2023

Cllr Granger gave the following report from The Amenities committee.

- The committee is considering clearing the brook side of the Dumbles, filling with topsoil and planting wildflowers to create an area of biodiversity. The area would be fenced in to allow the project to succeed. The possibility of including a picnic area is included in the plans. Phase 2 of the project could possibly include the installation of a second bridge to give a circular walk around the area.
- A fully costed project plan will be shared with council when available.
- A review of the area requested for the pump track at the top of Town Bottom Playing Field is in progress. The issue of safe access is a concern, and the clerk is contacting Nottingham housing association to see if a safe entrance can be created from their car park - it was noted that there is an illegal entrance there now.
- The clerk is obtaining three quotes for replacement of the Zip-wire in Town Bottom Playing Field as it is no longer safe to be used – the seat mechanism has been removed so it cannot be used.
- It was agreed to put a nest style swing into Beggars Plot Playing Field as part of the renewal of the ground area around the slide.
- It was agreed to put out a notice on Facebook and in the Bradwell News to gauge the demand for allotments in the village.

155/2023

Council considered the proposal that a field should be leased to provide allotments for residents and resolved to measure the field so the number of possible allotments can be determined. This would give the probable annual income which will determine if the project is feasible.

ACTION: Cllr Salisbury to organise the measuring of the field.

156/2023

Council considered the proposal that a working group should be created to co-ordinate the work required on the Dumbles. It was resolved that a working group would be created, and they would form part of the Amenities Committee. It was resolved that the working group will consist of four councillors – Cllrs Salisbury, Harrison, Downing and Cornish. It was also resolved that the group would look at the access from the new pedestrian bridge onto Softwater Lane.

ACTION: Clerk to set up a meeting of the working group

157/2023

Council considered the proposal that council should assist with creating a register for a garden/allotment scheme. It would be for people who want assistance in their gardens and people who want access to a garden. It was **resolved** not to proceed with this proposal.

158/2023

Council resolved to post the following on Council Facebook page: -

- a request for volunteers to water the new flower tubs in the village.
- An update on what is happening in the village during Wakes week.

ACTION: Cllr Taylor to post the items above onto Council Facebook page

159/2023

Council considered the request from Bradda Dads to use Town Bottom playing field for a village event on the 1st August 2023. Council **resolved** to agree to the request as a risk assessment had been sent to the clerk. The insurance details are to be forwarded prior to the event.

ACTION: Clerk to confirm use of the playing field.

160/2023

Council considered the request that council pay 50% of the cost of replacement flooring in the room rented by Brook café. The existing floor is not sealed at the edges and the paint is starting to deteriorate. Council **resolved** to pay the amount requested.

ACTION: Clerk to consult with the Brook Café about the payment for the flooring.

161/2023

Council considered the request from a resident that council install a small play park by the new bridge on Bradwell Springs. The residents would be responsible for maintenance of the area so council will not be asked to cut the grass. Council resolved that as they are not owners of the area in question, they are not able to assist with this request. It was **resolved** that the clerk would write back to the resident and advise that they would need to contact the management group on Bradwell Springs to request the play area.

ACTION: Clerk to write to the resident and advise that council cannot assist, and they will need to contact the management group on Bradwell Springs to request the play area.

162/2023

Council considered the proposal that council approach phone providers to request that they start the mast site search again because the signal strength in much of Bradwell is extremely poor. Council **resolved** that the clerk would write to phone providers and request that they consider the installation of a mast to improve mobile phone signals.

ACTION: Clerk to would write to phone providers and request that they consider the installation of a mast to improve mobile phone signals.

163/2023

Council considered the request that council should ask Derbyshire County Council for an update on their discussions with Peak District National Park Authority re. planning permission for a new handrail at the Methodist Church. Council resolved to speak with the Methodist Church and see if they need any assistance in progressing the installation of a handrail.

ACTION: Clerk to speak with the Methodist Church and see if they need any assistance in progressing the installation of a handrail.

164/2023

Council considered the request that council should submit a freedom of information (FOI) request to Derbyshire Dales District Council (DDDC) or Derbyshire County Council for a copy of the grass cutting contract to fully understand the scope of the grass cutting in the village. It was **resolved** not to proceed with this action now as District Councillor Nash is developing a good working relationship with the green and clean team at DDDC and to allow time for this relationship to agree the way forward on the grass cutting in the village. It was agreed to revisit this request in three months' time.

165/2023

Council considered the request from a resident that council contact the Highways Agency and request that the speed limit through the village is changed to 20MPH. It was considered that this could be part of a bigger project to include traffic calming and ANPR (Automatic Number Plate Recognition) cameras positioned within the village. There is a group working on the expansion of ANPR (Automatic Number Plate Recognition) in Hope Valley and it was **resolved** to see if speed limits could be incorporated into this project.

166/2023

Council considered the option to nominate someone to join the Hope Valley Action Group committee to be part of the discussions reviewing how villages in the Peak Park generate more electricity. Cllr Salisbury offered to represent council on this committee.

167/2023

It was **resolved** that the best location for an additional defibrillator in the village is on The Hills in the vicinity of The Green. Cllrs Lancaster and Salisbury to identify the best location and report back to council in August.

ACTION: Cllrs Lancaster and Salisbury to identify the best location for the defibrillator and report back to council in August.

168/2023

Council considered a request from a resident for assistance in persuading Highways to better protect the old way marker stone on the Hills from repeated traffic damage. It was resolved that the clerk write to the Highways Department at Derbyshire County Council and request that they see what can be done to protect the old way marker stone from vehicular damage.

ACTION: Clerk to write to the Highways Department at Derbyshire County Council on behalf of council.

Parish Playing Fields, Open Spaces and Village Caretaking

169/2023

The clerk advised that there is no update on the chase for the correct contact details to invoice the annual rent from Severn Trent Water and the solicitors. It was **resolved** that the clerk raise an invoice on Severn Trent Water for the outstanding rent and issue it to Fisher German – agents for Severn Trent Water

ACTION: Clerk to raise an invoice on Severn Trent Water for the outstanding rent and issue it to Fisher German – agents for Severn Trent Water

170/2023

The clerk advised that there is no further progress with the solicitors acting for The Guinness Partnership. It was **resolved** that the clerk writes to council's solicitor and ask them to advise The Guinness Partnership that they are holding up a village project and request that they expedite the transfer,

ACTION: Clerk to write to council solicitors on behalf of council.

Highways & Rights of Way (Guide Time 5 minutes)

None

Planning Applications

171/2023

Type	Date of Application / Notice	Reference	Property	Summary
Planning Application - Granted	12/05/2023	NP/DDD/0223/0153	Outland Head Quarry, Walker	Erection of building for use in connection with existing mineral processing operations.

			Minerals Ltd, Bradwell	(Council supported this application)
Planning Application - Granted	30/05/2023	NP/DDD/0223/0118	Matchcroft, Smalldale, Bradwell	Proposed porch extension to dwelling. (Council supported this application)
Planning Application	13/06/2023	NP/DDD/0523/0564	Samuel Fox Country Inn, Stretfield, Bardwell	Proposed change of use from fine dining restaurant with rooms to a holiday rental. No structural changes to the property are required.
Planning Application	20/06/2023	NP/DDD/0623/0621	1 The Crescent, Bradwell	Proposed extension and loft conversion to dwelling.
Planning Application	14/06/2023	NP/DDD/0623/0651	2 Springfield Road, Bradwell,	Side extension and internal alterations
Planning Application - Granted	20/06/2023	NP/DDD/0423/0450	Land off Boggy Lane, Bradwell	Proposed change of use of existing agricultural land to fenced recreational dog exercise paddock. (Council supported this application with comments)

Other Partner Authorities / Agencies

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

172/2023

Recent Meetings:

Date	Event	Council Representative(s)
13/06/2023	Breedon Liaison Meeting	Cllrs Salisbury, Salvage

Future Meetings:

Date	Event	Council Representative(s)

Publications / Information Received

173/2023

Communications have already been circulated electronically.

Date of Next Meeting

174/2023

The next meeting of the parish council is planned for Tuesday 8th August 2023 at 7.30p.m.

The meeting concluded at 9.00p.m.