

Minutes of Outseats Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 20 September 2010 in the Hathersage Memorial Hall Sampson Room at 7.30pm

Present: Councillor Jane Marsden – Chairman
Councillor Jean Hodgkinson
Councillor Pauline Whitney
Councillor Bill Gordon

In attendance
Councillor Dave Jackson (Hathersage PC)
Clerk: David Palmer

One member of the public was present.

103/10 Apologies

There were apologies for absence from Councillors Simon Taylor (bereavement) and Anne Claxton (family illness).

104/10 Variations in Order of Business

There were no variations in the Order of Business.

105/10 Declaration of Members' Interests

No Councillor declared an interest.

106/10 Public Speaking

1. The member of the public present spoke about the provision made for roads during bad winter weather and his considerable investigations and interactions with Derbyshire County Council (DCC) about this.
2. No representative of Derbyshire Constabulary was present. A Councillor mentioned that she had received reports that there were people currently in the area who had been knocking on doors offering to do casual gardening work; if they were allowed in, they were actually using the gardening work as an excuse to decide if there was anything worth stealing and, if so, they returned later to do this.
3. There were no representatives of the County or District Councils present.
4. Councillor Dave Jackson reported that Hathersage Parish Council had been unable to allow a mobile fish and chip van to park on the land they own in front of the Parish Rooms. They had previously turned down an ice cream van in similar circumstances.

107/10 Minutes of Parish Council Meeting

It was resolved to confirm as a correct record minutes of the meeting held on 26 July 2010.

108/10 Planning

1. It was resolved to confirm as a correct record minutes of the Planning Meeting held on 9 September 2010.
2. Councillor Bill Gordon reported that concerns had been shown by local residents regarding the water supply to Curlew Cottage. It was resolved that the Clerk should write to Peak District National Park Authority (PDNPA) to ask whether Curlew Cottage now had residential status and, if so, had PDNPA considered whether DCC now need to be informed about this, since they may have insufficient water supply for sanitation. The Clerk was also instructed to ask PDNPA if a building inspector had visited the property. It was further resolved that Councillors Gordon and Hodgkinson would visit the property to compare it to the plans approved by PDNPA.
3. The Clerk had investigated the current situation regarding the plans for affordable housing in the village. He had been told by Derbyshire Dales District Council (DDDC) that they had been speaking to possible builders and to the planners, but a key landowner was not willing to release land for affordable housing.

109/10 Finance

1. It was resolved to note the Statement of Accounts for July 2010.
2. It was resolved that the Council were willing to pay a contribution (estimated at about £25) to Hathersage Parish Council (HPC) for optimising the village website.
3. It was resolved to authorise the following accounts for payment (total sum £4,232.63):

Dandys Chester	supply of 2 tonnes of grit salt	£230.40
Staples	stationery, including a laminator	£152.32
Clerk	salary, office allowance and expenses for Aug/Sep	£386.41
Soc of Local Council Clerks	annual subscription	£72.00
Redwood Landscapes	clearing footpaths in parish	£211.50
Rural Action Derbyshire	annual subscription	£30.00
Hathersage PC	contribution re swimming pool	£3,150.00

The Clerk informed the Council that the first two payments had actually been made earlier in the month, due to the timescales set for payment and the fact that the Council did not meet in August.

110/10 Casual Vacancy

The Council discussed a number of candidates who had put themselves forward for the vacant post on the Council. It was decided that Bill Hanley was the most suitable candidate and so it was resolved that the Clerk should write to Bill to offer him the position of Councillor and also to the other candidates to thank them.

111/10 Joint Transport Committee

The Council resolved to approve the new JTC Terms of Reference.

112/10 Correspondence for Decision

1. It was noted that Councillor Bill Gordon was attending the Derbyshire Constabulary Annual Parishes Meeting on 12 October, so there was no need for a representative to also be sent to the Annual Neighbourhood Watch Seminar on 14 October.
2. It was resolved that Councillors Gordon and Hodgkinson plus the Clerk would aim to attend the Peak Park Parishes Forum Planning Seminar on 4 November in Darley Dale.
3. It was resolved that Councillor Pauline Whitney and the Clerk would attend the DCC Parish and Town Council Liaison Meeting on 21 October in Matlock.
4. It was resolved that Councillor Bill Gordon would attend the Hathersage Area Police Quarterly Meeting on 27 September in Eyam.
5. It was resolved that Councillor Jane Marsden would represent the Council at the meeting regarding the closure of Hope Clinic at Hope Valley College at 6pm on 27 September.

113/10 Consultation Documents

1. PDNPA Local Development Framework Core Strategy – The Clerk had asked PDNPA for a hard copy of this important document but they had refused on cost grounds. A number of Councillors said they would try to obtain a hard copy. The document is out for consultation until 26 October 2010, so Councillors Gordon and Hodgkinson said they would try to review it before the next meeting, when the Council's final response could be agreed.
2. Community Right to Build – Councillor Hodgkinson noted her concerns that these proposals seemed to suggest that planning permission may not be needed in certain cases and that this could have serious implications within the National Park. The Council further noted that these proposals might be useful for building affordable housing in the future.
3. NHS Derbyshire County's Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment – Councillor Marsden agreed to complete the questionnaire on behalf of the Council.

114/10 Items for Information

It was resolved that the following items for information should be received:

Derbyshire Association of Local Councils Circulars 38/10 – 44/10; Papers for AGM and Annual Report
Hathersage Parish Council Agendas 3/8/10, 7/9/10; Minutes 3/8/10, 7/9/10
Recreation Committee Agendas 17/8/10, 14/9/10; Minutes 22/7/10, 17/8/10
Joint Transport Comm Agenda 9/8/10
Village Centre Group Minutes 27/7/10
Memorial Hall Minutes 12/7/10, Agenda 6/9/10
DDDC Letter on Area Community Forums, Sustainable Community Strategy Summary 2009-2014, Corporate Plan 2010-11, Leaflet on Blue Bag Collection Scheme
PDNPA Press Releases: Green grants brighten Peak District's future, European Union invests millions to save UK Moors for the Future
Derbyshire Police Selected Ringmaster mailings; Hathersage Area Newsletter Summer/Autumn 2010
Forum for Ancient Byways Minutes 8/9/10
Peak Park Parishes Forum AGM Papers 25/9/10, Newsletter Summer 2010
High Peak & Hope Valley Comm Rail Partnership Agenda 16/9/10
Other Correspondence Letter from RBS re sale of branches; Correspondence with DCC re Hurstclough Lane
SLCC Newsletter and commentary regarding Council Tax Increase Referendums
Other Newsletters The Playing Field Summer 2010; Hope Valley College Newsletter July 2010
Magazines LCR Autumn 2010, Clerks & Councils Direct Sept 2010; The Clerk Sept 2010
DCC Parish & Town Council Newsletter Sept 2010

115/10 Committee Reports

1. Hathersage Parish Council (HPC) – Councillor Whitney gave a report on the last HPC meeting.. It was resolved that Councillor Marsden would attend HPC's next meeting.
2. Recreation Committee – A public meeting to discuss the long term future of the pool was planned to be held during the first two weeks of November. The Recreation Committee had decided to thank the pool staff for the excellent work and enthusiasm that they had shown during the season. Next year would be the 75th Anniversary of the pool, so celebrations were being planned. The Derbyshire Times may publish an article on the future of the pool in the coming weeks.
3. Joint Transport Committee – The Police had agreed to chase up the proposed vehicle activated sign for the entrance to the village from the Castleton Road. They had also agreed to see if repeater speed limit signs could be put at various points going up the hill from the village towards the Millstone. The JTC were also asking for a meeting with DCC Highway Officers because none of the promised actions had been taken regarding the parking on School Lane. Also, the JTC hoped to discuss the white lines on the Castleton Road and the yellow lines on Station Approach with DCC Officers.
4. Memorial Hall – Councillor Hodgkinson reported that new wooden doors had been ordered for the front of the Hall and that new flooring had been laid in certain areas. Baby changing facilities had been installed. Work was still being undertaken to determine whether the acoustics of the Hall could be improved.
5. Forum for Ancient Byways – Councillor Gordon reported that the group is expanding and that it has had some success in bringing pressure to bear regarding these ancient routes. As a result of this, a pot of money had been set aside by DCC for repairs to be made to Long Causeway and Brough Lane. It was resolved that the Clerk should write to DCC to ask that the Council be consulted on what is planned for the money before it is spent. He was also asked to confirm timescales for the work with DCC and to find out if an engineering report would be included on the current state of the Long Causeway structure, as there were concerns that a bulge in the foundations could be seen.

116/10 Parish Matters

1. Councillor Whitney had received a letter from a resident of Cliffe Lane regarding the height of the tress along the Bund Wall. She had subsequently visited the resident and agreed that the trees were obstructing her view. It was resolved that the Clerk should write to the Tree Officer at PDNPA to ask him to inspect the trees and to ask for his advice on how they could be pruned.
2. It was resolved that the subject of Quality Status would be discussed at a later meeting when all the Councillors were present.

Date of Next Two Meetings

The date of the next two meetings are 25 October and 22 November 2010 at 7.30pm in Sampson Room, Hathersage Memorial Hall.

The meeting closed at 10.10pm.