

Minutes of Outseats Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 26 September 2011 in the Hathersage Memorial Hall Sampson Room at 7.30pm

Present:	Councillor Jane Marsden – Chairman	<u>In attendance</u>
	Councillor Bill Hanley	Councillor Heather Rodgers (Hathersage PC)
	Councillor Pauline Whitney	District Councillor Jacque Bevan
	Councillor Jean Hodgkinson	Clerk: David Palmer

Two members of the public were present.

101/11 Apologies

There were apologies for absence from Councillors Anne Claxton (on holiday), Simon Taylor (family illness) and Bill Gordon (on holiday).

102/11 Variations in Order of Business

Since the two members of the public attended to listen to the discussion on planning, it was resolved to discuss this early in the meeting.

103/11 Declaration of Members' Interests

No Councillors declared an interest.

104/11 Public Speaking

1. The two members of the public gave additional information on the planning application discussed in minute 107/11.
2. District Councillor Jacque Bevan reported that an interim report on Parish and Town Councils taking over the running of public conveniences (including those in Hathersage village centre) will be discussed by Derbyshire Dales District Council on Thursday 6 October.
3. No one from Derbyshire Police attended.
4. Councillor Heather Rodgers gave a short report on the last meeting of Hathersage Parish Council.

105/11 Minutes of Parish Council Meeting

It was resolved to confirm as a correct record minutes of the meeting held on 25 July 2011.

106/11 Highways/Transport

1. The Clerk updated the Council on various initiatives undertaken over the summer regarding snow and ice clearance:
 - The letter to Patrick McLoughlin MP that had been sent in July had received a reply from Derbyshire County Council (DCC). Since this did not answer some significant issues, the Clerk had sent a second letter to DCC (copied to the MP and all OPC Councillors). The MP had since sent this letter to the Department of Transport, who have agreed that they will investigate the matters raised. The issues raised in the second letter were also being actively discussed between DCC, their insurers and the Parish's insurers. The Clerk advised the Council that progress was being made, but thought it unlikely that all the insurance issues would be fully resolved before this winter. Nevertheless, DCC certainly acknowledged the issue and were looking for solutions.
 - DCC understood the significant issues that the Council had raised meant that it was only able to participate in certain parts of the Snow Warden system for this year. Nevertheless, the Council would be involved wherever insurance issues allowed this.
 - A letter had also been sent to County Councillor Judith Twigg and ultimately a reply had been received from DCC. Hathersage Parish Council had also written to Councillor Twigg, supporting the Council's letter. The DCC reply gave some useful detailed answers on certain matters, but contradicted the Council's knowledge on others. It was resolved that the Clerk should send a reply to DCC, particularly to contradict DCC's view that the main road to Sheffield was always snow ploughed and gritted all the way to Fox House.
2. It was resolved that the Clerk and Councillor Marsden could investigate the best way to purchase grit salt for the coming winter and then go ahead with the purchase. It was agreed 2-3 tonnes could be purchased, depending on the prices available.
3. It was resolved to approve the Snow & Ice Clearance Policy and Snow & Ice Clearance Risk Assessment.
4. The Council's reply to DCC's Questionnaire on their Policy for the Gritting of Roads was agreed and it was resolved that the Clerk should send these replies back to DCC.

107/11 Planning

1. It was resolved to note that the following planning decision had been received from Peak District National Park Authority (PDNPA): NP/DDD/0511/0476 – 3 Park Edge; single storey extension to side elevation. Application granted subject to conditions.
2. Application NP/DDD/0811/0838 – Land Opposite 4 Cannonfields. Removal of pre-cast concrete garage and erection of new detached stone garage with pitched roof. It was resolved that the following response would be sent to PDNPA:

Outseats Parish Council consider the planned development a considerable improvement on the existing structure and recommend its approval.

108/11 Finance

1. It was resolved to note the Statement of Accounts as at 31 August 2011.
2. It was resolved to authorise the following accounts for payment (total sum £1,602.13):

Clerk	salary, office allowance and expenses for Aug & Sept	£372.70
HMRC	payment cheque for PAYE	£79.80
Derbys Dales DC	uncontested election expenses	£219.47
Soc of Local Council Clerks	annual subscription	£72.00
Redwood Landscapes	grass cutting in Parish & Bund Wall tidy	£525.60
Redwood Landscapes	footpath clearance under MMS	£237.60
Staples UK	supply of stationery	£94.96

It was resolved that the payment of uncontested election expenses to Derbyshire Dales District Council (DDDC) could be paid by a release of funds from the Council's By-Election Contingency Fund.

109/11 Public Conveniences in the Village

The Council noted a letter that had been received from Hathersage Parish Council (HPC) advising that they plan to negotiate with DDDC on the possible taking over of the public conveniences in the village centre. HPC had asked that the Council also become involved in this negotiation. It was resolved that the Clerk should reply to HPC, stating that, while the Council still had concerns as to whether it was wise to take over the running of the public conveniences, it supported HPC's decision to negotiate with DDDC to investigate the deals available. It was further resolved that the Clerk should ask Councillors Claxton and Gordon if they would be Council's representative on the joint negotiating team.

110/11 Community Response Plan

It was resolved that Councillors Whitney and Marsden would review the template that had been supplied and then Council would determine the appropriate actions to take.

111/11 Correspondence for Decision

1. It was resolved no Councillors were available to represent the Council at the Bakewell & Eyam Community Transport AGM at Calver Village Hall on 20 October at 6.30pm.
2. It was resolved no Councillors were available to represent the Council at the Derbyshire Dales, Amber Valley & Erewash Citizens Advice Bureau AGM at Ilkeston FC on 18 October at 5.15pm.
3. It was resolved that the Council did not wish to reply to a letter received from the Chairman of Peak Park Watch.
4. It was resolved that the Council did not wish to take any further actions following an email received concerning the closure of Darley Birth Centre, Darley Dale.
5. It was resolved to note the contents of a letter received from DDDC regarding a review of the Polling Districts, Places and Stations in 2011.

112/11 Items for Information

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

Derbyshire Assoc of Local Councils	Circulars 38/11 – 44/11, Letter re Bright Sparks Programme
Hathersage PC	Agendas 2/8/11, 6/9/11, Public Meeting 6/9/11; Minutes 2/8/11, 6/9/11, Meeting re Public Conveniences 29/7/11
Recreation Comm	Agendas 9/8/11, 13/9/11; Minutes 12/7/11, 9/8/11, 13/9/11
Joint Transport Comm	Minutes 14/6/11
Village Centre Group	Minutes 25/7/11, 3/8/11, 22/8/11, 5/9/11
Memorial Hall	Minutes 11/7/11; Agenda 5/9/11; New Conditions of Hire for Hall
Derbys County Council	Letters re reclassification of Heathy Lane as a BOAT
Derbyshire Police	Selected Ringmaster mailings
PDNPA	Selected press releases; ParishSpeak Summer 2011

Rural Action Derbys	AGM Papers 28/9/11
Peak Park Parish Fm	Agenda AGM 1/10/11, Newsletter Summer 2011
High Peak & Hope Valley Community Rail Partnership	Agenda 13/9/11
Soc Local Ccl Clerks	Notice of AGM and Papers 15/10/11
Magazines	Clerks & Councils Direct Sept 2011, LCR Autumn 2011, The Clerk Sept 2011, Peak & Dales Advocacy Newsletter Summer 2011
Royal Hort'l Soc	Letter re "in Bloom" Campaign
Snow & Ice	Copies of various correspondence over the summer with our MP, DCC and insurance brokers regarding snow and ice clearance

113/11 Committee Reports

1. Hathersage Parish Council (HPC) – Councillor Whitney gave a report of the last meeting of HPC. It was resolved that Councillor Hodgkinson would attend HPC's next meeting.
2. Recreation Committee – Councillor Whitney reported that the Business Plan for the Pool was nearing completion. She also reported that season ticket income was down (as anticipated because of the repairs) but that staff costs and heating costs were also reduced because of the delay in opening the Pool. It was also noted that the weather this summer hadn't been good for pool visits.
3. Village Plan – Councillor Marsden reported that a meeting had been held to consider what to do with the money won in the Calor Village of the Year Competition. Suggestions included: donating some money to Allotment Group to act as match-funding for a grant they will apply for, a donation to the Village Centre Group, some money towards the new porch in the Memorial Hall and a donation towards the proposed skateboard park.

114/11 Parish Matters

1. It was resolved that the Council would like to participate in the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Beacons in 2012. The Clerk was instructed to take this forward.
2. The Clerk advised the Council that DCC have agreed to crown-lift the trees on the Bund Wall. They had not given a timescale for completing the work.
3. It was noted that Mrs Jo Wood had been reappointed as a school governor. It was resolved that the Clerk should obtain copies of the correspondence between HPC and the Board of Governors and then this should be presented to the next meeting.
4. It was resolved that a joint meeting would be held with HPC on 24 October at 7pm. The Clerk agreed to act as Clerk for this meeting and Councillor Marsden agreed to act as Chairman. This would mean the next Parish Council Meeting would now start at 8pm.

Date of Next Two Meetings

The next two meetings are on **24 October at 8.00pm** and 28 November at 7.30pm in Sampson Room, Hathersage Memorial Hall.

The meeting closed at 10.15pm.