

Minutes of Outseats Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 23 January 2012 in the Hathersage Memorial Hall Sampson Room at 7.30pm

Present:	Councillor Jane Marsden – Chairman	<u>In attendance</u>
	Councillor Bill Hanley	Councillor Dave Jackson (Hathersage PC)
	Councillor Jean Hodgkinson	District Councillor Jean Monks
	Councillor Anne Claxton	District Councillor Jacque Bevan
	Councillor Bill Gordon	PCSO Anthony Boswell
	Councillor Pauline Whitney	Clerk: David Palmer

Tony Favell and Pauline Beswick of Peak District National Park Authority and Rita Whitcombe of Sheffield Moors Partnership were also present.

- 1/12 Apologies
Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Simon Taylor (working away from home).
- 2/12 Variations in Order of Business
There were no variations in the Order of Business.
- 3/12 Declaration of Members' Interests
Declarations of interest were received from Councillor Gordon for minutes 4/12, 6/12 and 7/12.
- 4/12 Public Speaking
1. Rita Whitcombe, Project Officer for Sheffield Moors Partnership, gave a presentation on the Partnership, which is a collaboration between the National Trust, Peak District National Park, RSPB, Sheffield Council and Sheffield Wildlife Trust and covers the moorland areas running from Redmires Reservoir in the north to Baslow in the south. It includes the North Lees Estate in Outseats. Rita explained that each individual area within the Partnership will already have its own management plan, with probably a 5-year time horizon, so her job was to produce an overall masterplan for the whole area, with a time horizon of 10+ years. Public Consultation Meetings would be held so that everyone could give their views on what should go into this plan, including one in Hathersage Memorial Hall on Tuesday 13 March from 18.45-21.00. Councillors recommended that Rita use the plans made by the Stanage Forum in this new masterplan.
 2. Tony Favell, Chairman of Peak District National Park Authority (PDNPA) spoke about the PDNPA's new "Strategy for the Management of Recreational Motorised Vehicles in their Use of Unsealed Highways and Off-Road". The discussion focussed on Long Causeway and Councillor Gordon explained the historical context of Long Causeway and how the sustained use of this path by motorised traffic was destroying archaeology and putting the future of the track (especially the revetment wall) at risk. Mr Favell and Ms Beswick took note of these issues and also the comments of other Councillors. Mr Favell said some important issues had been raised and that these would be given full consideration by PDNPA as they finalised their policy and implemented it.
 3. PCSO Boswell reported that the culprits of the theft from the Craft Shop had been caught. There had been a burglary from a large building in Outseats in December, shoplifting in two of the outdoor shops, a theft from the honesty box near Stanage Edge, and thefts from cars on Moorland Road and near Higger Tor. There had also been an assault on Station Road. PCSO Boswell said he was looking for new volunteers to help with the speed watch in the village. This only required volunteers to give an hour of their time once or twice a month and full training was given. The volunteers were only required to note down the speed of cars, the police would then take forward any actions required. Anyone interested should contact the police on 101 or could contact the Clerk or a Councillor.
 4. District Councillor Jean Monks reported that DDDC's Community Awards were currently looking for nominations of people that had given extra special contributions in the community. Forms to make recommendations were available from the District Councillors or from the Clerk. Councillor Monks said she was continuing to push DDDC for a decision on what they planned to do with the toilets in the village; she was hoping for more information soon. District Councillor Jacque Bevan said that Hathersage Youth Club was under threat due to changes proposed by Derbyshire County Council (DCC). A meeting had been arranged for the DCC Cabinet Member for Young People to visit the Youth Club and discuss what was planned, so Councillor Bevan recommended that a Parish Councillor attend too.
- 5/12 Minutes of Parish Council Meeting
It was resolved to confirm as a correct record minutes of the meeting held on 28 November 2011.

6/12 Highways/Transport

It was resolved that Councillors Marsden and Gordon would respond on Council's behalf to a Questionnaire regarding Derbyshire County Council's proposed Policy on Management of Motorised Vehicle Use in the Countryside. Councillors with additional thoughts on this were asked to contact the Clerk.

7/12 Planning

The following planning application was considered: NP/DDD/1211/1308 – Green Well, Jaggars Lane – Erection of a single lean-to wood framed conservatory to the front elevation. It was noted that a number of Councillors and the Clerk had made a site visit to consider this application. After some debate it was resolved that the Council supported this application.

8/12 Relationship with Hathersage Parish Council (HPC)

The Council hoped that the two parish councils that covered the village of Hathersage would continue to work together on mutual interests, to the benefit of the whole village. It was also noted that, at the last meeting of HPC, there had been a consensus that there should be more joint meetings between the councils, including consideration as to whether the two councils should merge (as a longer term goal) and also an agreement that Outseats Parish Council could have two non-voting members on the Recreation Committee. The Council viewed all of these matters as very positive and supporting the benefits of the two Councils working together and it was hoped that more collaborative working could take place in the very near future.

9/12 Finance

1. It was resolved to note the Statement of Accounts as at 31 December 2011.
2. It was resolved to authorise the following accounts for payment (total sum £397.43):

Clerk	salary, office allowance and expenses for Dec & Jan	£369.93
Hath Methodist Church	room hire	£12.00
DALC	annual subscription to Local Council Review	£15.50
3. Council Marsden reported that the meeting of the Association of Hope Valley Parish Councils on 29/11/11 had decided that the small amount of money left in the Association's bank account (approx. £180) was too small to be worth distributing equally and so it was decided to donate it to the Green Lanes Alliance.
4. A request had been received from Hathersage Parochial Church Council for a contribution towards the repair and upgrade of the church clock. It was resolved to donate £150 for this purpose.
5. Based on the very positive moves towards more collaborative working from Hathersage Parish Council (HPC) (see minute 8/12 above), the Council decided that it felt more confident that it would be able to demonstrate that it was properly monitoring and influencing the expenditure of its electors' funds. On this basis, it was resolved that the payments to HPC for this year's joint expenditure could be made next month.

10/12 Correspondence for Decision

1. Since the meeting was at the same time as the next Parish Council Meeting and also at the same time as a joint meeting between the two parish councils and the Village Centre Group, it was resolved that it would not be possible to send a representative to the DDDC Parish and Town Council Conference on 27 February. The Clerk was asked to send a note to DDDC explaining why no one could attend and also to ask one of the District Councillors to report back on what had happened.
2. It was resolved that Councillor Bill Hanley would take forward the matters relating to the possible closure of Hathersage Youth Club, which may include attending one of the New Youth Offer – Stakeholder Events that are being organised by Derbyshire County Council.

11/12 Items for Information

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

Sent by email:

DALC	Circulars 60.11-63.11, 01.12-04.12
Hathersage PC	Agendas 6/12/11, 10/1/12; Minutes 6/12/11
Recreation Comm	Agendas 14/12/11, 17/1/12; Minutes 14/12/11; reply re skate park petition; Report on Pool Questionnaires
Village Centre Group	Minutes 12/12/11, 11/1/12
Memorial Hall	Minutes 7/11/11; Agenda 9/1/12
Allotments Group	Email dated 12/1/12
DCC	Correspondence re snow ploughing in Outseats
DDDC	ArtsMatters Winter 2011; letter re route of Olympic Torch; Walking for Health Guide Jan/Mar 2012
Derbyshire Police	Selected Ringmaster mailings
PDNPA	Selected press releases; Letter from Chair of Planning Comm

Bill Newton-Dunn MEP Trains	Report from local MEP Minutes and Notes of Community Rail Partnership meeting 28/11/11, Notice of HVRUG AGM 25/1/12
Ancient Lanes	Correspondence from Mark Everard and others regarding potential TROs and other matters regarding protection of green lanes including Long Causeway
Rural Services Network	Weekly information emails
Green Lanes Alliance	Letter re DCC Policy on Management of Motorised Vehicle Use in the Countryside

In the Correspondence File:

DDDC	Letter regarding The Queen's Diamond Jubilee Beacons
Royal Bank of Scotland	Update on sale to Santander
Hope Valley College	Newsletter December 2011
NALC	LCR Winter 2011
Rural Action Derbys	The Playing Field Autumn 2011
Peak & Dales Advocacy	Advocacy Alive Winter 2011
CPRE	Booklet "Planning explained"

It was resolved that the experiment of the Clerk circulating appropriate communications and correspondence by email was going well and would continue.

12/12 Committee Reports

1. Hathersage Parish Council (HPC) – It was resolved that Councillor Marsden would attend HPC's next meeting.
2. Recreation Committee – It was reported that provision had been made to purchase a pool hoist for disabled people, a third pump for the pool (in case of breakdowns) and a new filter. A celebration was planned for the first day of the new season, which would be Saturday 31 March. There were exciting new plans for the solarium, and there would be a public consultation on these on 28 January.
3. Joint Transport Committee (JTC) – The Clerk reported that a map identifying the coverage of an existing weight restriction area had been located for the North Lees Estate and its surroundings; he was working with DCC to put signs in place at all the entry points to this zone. The JTC were also working with the Police to try to arrange a "buffer zone" speed limit for traffic approaching the village along the Castleton Road; at the moment the 30mph speed limit started at the first house in the village and this was dangerous for residents of the first few houses.
4. Website Committee – The Clerk reported that HPC had approved John Dalton to act as the website coordinator for the village. He would be responsible for all areas of the website that did not relate to the parish councils. Councillor Hodgkinson agreed to contact John about this and the Clerk agreed to arrange a meeting of the Website Committee to discuss this.
5. Memorial Hall – Councillor Hodgkinson reported that she had been successful in obtaining a "Awards for All" grant to pay the full cost of replacing the porch at the Memorial Hall. Everyone congratulated her on this achievement.
6. Church Charities – Councillor Marsden reported that 37 gifts had been made in December.

13/12 Parish Matters

1. Since PDNPA's Historic Building Adviser was away, it was resolved that an update on the condition of Gamekeeper's Cottage at Brookfield Manor would be postponed for a month.
2. Councillor Marsden reported that a meeting had been arranged to obtain ideas and volunteers for the celebrations to mark the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. This would be in the Methodist Church Lounge on 9 February at 7.30pm.
3. It was resolved that the date of the Annual Parish Meeting and the Parish Council meeting in April could be moved from 23/4/12 to 30/4/12.
4. The Clerk reported that he had contacted Derbyshire County Council to ask that they finish cutting back the trees on the Bund Wall.

Date of Next Two Meetings

The next two meetings are on 27 February at 7.00pm and 26 March at 7.30pm in Sampson Room, Hathersage Memorial Hall.

The meeting closed at 10.30pm.