

33/12 Highways/Transport

The Council were amazed to discover that Derbyshire County Council (DCC) were planning to do works on the track that runs up Callow Bank, to make it suitable for motor vehicles (4x4s and trail bikes). This track has been in disrepair for many years and is only 4 feet wide in places, but the understanding was that DCC plan to widen this to 9 feet. The Council considered the track to be wholly unsuitable for works of this type and that such changes could only be to the detriment of the natural beauty and cultural heritage of the area. Furthermore, they could not understand how DCC could justify spending money on such unsuitable and expensive works when they were cutting services in other areas and were having to reduce staff numbers. It was resolved that Councillors Gordon and Hanley were authorised to prepare a letter of protest on behalf of the Council, which would be sent to DCC Councillors, copied to DDDC Councillors, the local MP and the Chairman of PDNPA.

34/12 Planning

The following planning application was considered: NP/DDD/0212/0181 – Green Fell, Derwent Lane – Proposed single storey rear extension and alteration of existing flat roof to a pitched roof construction. The Council had already heard the comments of the local resident making this application (see minute 31/12) and the Clerk read out a letter from another local resident that were in opposition to some of the designs. After some debate it was resolved that the Council supported this application and the Clerk was asked to send the following response to Peak District National Park Authority:

Outseats Parish Council consider that these changes will be an enhancement to a property that had been unimproved for a number of years and recommend their approval. The Council note that the proposed extension is not the full width of the south side of the property and that this will aid the amount of light to the neighbouring property. The Council have also been advised that there is some concern that this extension offers the possibility of further extension in future years – we have discussed this with the applicant, who is happy that a condition be added that no further extension be allowed to the property without new planning permission being sought, so the Council recommend that such a term be included in the Planning Approval.

35/12 Finance

1. It was resolved to note the Statement of Accounts as at 29 February 2012.
2. It was resolved to note that £294.27 had been released from the Playing Field Playpark Reserve, towards the contribution made to Hathersage Parish Council for playpark that was paid in February.
3. It was resolved to authorise the following accounts for payment (total sum £571.51):

Clerk	salary, office allowance and expenses for March	£250.46
PAYE	payment for Q4	£102.00
DALC	annual subscription	£192.05
Hathersage Meth Church	room hire (for Jubilee Celebrations)	£27.00

36/12 Hathersage Parish Council (HPC)

Councillor Marsden gave a report on a meeting that she had attended with HPC Councillors and Derbyshire Dales District Council (DDDC) representatives to discuss the toilets in the village centre. DDDC needed to make budget cuts and the running costs of the toilets were simply too high. It had been proposed that the gents toilet might be closed off and the ladies be split into gents and ladies areas, plus the door to the disabled toilet be made available to all and this become a unisex cubicle with baby changing facilities. These changes would significantly reduce the running costs (water, electricity and cleaning). It was also proposed that the bus shelter be bricked up, to leave just a covered seat at the front. DDDC would pay for these changes, but even then they might still be looking for a contribution from the Parish Councils – a figure of £750 per annum had been mentioned. It was resolved to note that a contribution of up to £250 might be requested from the Council in the next financial year; while no budget had been set aside for this purpose, it would probably be possible to release funds of this level from a reserve.

37/12 Hathersage Youth Club

Councillor Hanley gave a report on the current situation regarding the proposed closure of Hathersage Youth Club. He had been contacted by the Methodist Youth Club, to see if perhaps they could help by sharing the space used by the main Youth Club? It was resolved that he would send them contact details to discuss this with the Memorial Hall Committee. Councillor Marsden said she understood that Derbyshire County Council were now reconsidering their proposed changes to their Youth Service.

38/12 Consultations

1. Defra Consultation on the Governance Arrangements of National Parks – Councillors Hodgkinson and Gordon had reviewed these updated proposals and considered them all to be acceptable. Therefore, they did not think it was necessary to send in any further comments on the consultation.

- Derbyshire County Council Consultation on their proposed Waste Plan - It was resolved that Council did not wish to make any comments.

39/12 Correspondence for Decision

- It was resolved that Councillor Hanley would represent the Council at the meeting to set priorities for police in the Hathersage area at Bradwell Community Police Office at 7pm on Wednesday 28 March.
- It was resolved that Councillor Claxton would represent the Council at the AGM of the Allotments Group at the Scotsman's Pack at 8pm on Tuesday 17 April.

40/12 Items for Information

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

Sent by email:

Derbys Assoc Local Cncls	Circulars 12.12 – 15.12
Hathersage PC	Agendas 6/3/12; Minutes 10/1/12;
Recreation Comm	Agendas; Minutes 14/2/12, 13/3/12; consultation report re solarium
Memorial Hall	Minutes: 2011 AGM, 9/1/12; Agenda 2012 AGM, 5/3/12
Village Centre Group	Minutes 27/2/12, 20/3/12; Correspondence with Clerk re village toilets
Hathersage Youth Club	Correspondence with DCC and others on proposed closure
DDDC	Proposed Car Parking Order – Snitterton Road, Matlock; Derbyshire Dales Community Safety P'ship Newsletter Winter 2012; Arts Matters Spring 2012; update report from Jean Monks
Bill Newton Dunn MEP	Update report from local MEP
PDNPA	Selected press releases, including "Action on Green Lanes" and "Future of North Lees and Stanage"; Letter from John Herbert re developments in Planning Dept
Friends of Peak District	Email re Planning & Localism Training Event in Buxton
Ancient Lanes	Email from resident to DCC asking motorised vehicles be excluded from ancient rights of way; email from Jean Monks to DCC on same topic
Trains	HVRUG report on 15/3/12 Community Rail Partnership Meeting; Email re Improvements to Hope Valley Line
Alison Hartley	Email with thanks to Council
Rural Services Network	Weekly information emails

In the Correspondence File:

Memorial Hall	Letter re increase in room hire charges
Hathersage School	Ofsted report January 2012
DDDC	Papers from Parish Council Conference Feb 12
DALC	Benefits of Membership leaflet
Long Causeway	Letter from local resident to DCC
Hope Valley College	Newsletter Feb 2012
Magazines	LCR Spring 2012, The Clerk March 2012, Clerk & Councils Direct March 2012, Park Life March 12

41/12 Committee Reports

- Hathersage Parish Council (HPC) – Councillor Taylor gave a report on the last meeting of HPC. It was resolved that Councillor Claxton would attend HPC's next meeting on 3/4/12.
- Recreation Committee – Councillor Whitney gave a report on the last meeting of the Recreation Committee. This included that Brian Wilson was leading a group who were looking into whether a skate park could be put into the Playing Field.
- Website Committee – The Clerk reported that the Website Committee were enhancing the "What's On" area of the website. It was hoped that, by enhancing this area, the website might become the first stop for villagers trying to find out about events in the village and thus increase its popularity. Meetings had been held with the Hathersage News and with the website designer during the month and an advert had been placed in the Hathersage News to advertise the "What's On" area of the website and to ask people to post their events there. The Diamond Jubilee events and the Gala would be advertised on this website.
- Memorial Hall – Councillor Hodgkinson reported that new plastic windows were being used to replace windows that had been blocked up previously. Since the hall was a war memorial, there was a plan to put the Roll of Honour with the names of the fallen of both World Wars in one of these windows.
- Churchyard/Church Charities – Councillor Marsden reported that there had been a meeting. The minutes would be placed in the correspondence file.
- Village Celebrations for Queen's Diamond Jubilee – Councillor Marsden reported that the overall plan was to have a church service on the Sunday, followed by the Big Jubilee Picnic Lunch. On the Monday, there

would be a “Diamond Oldies Jubilee Coffee Morning” followed by the opportunity for individual roads to have their own street party in the afternoon. In the evening there would be a hog roast, the beacon lighting and fireworks. Planning was well underway. There was also a discussion of possible permanent memorials for the Jubilee – Councillor Hanley suggested that a new footpath might be a good way of commemorating the event, if a suitable route could be identified.

7. Stanage Forum – Councillor Hodgkinson said there had been no meeting of the Stanage Forum since last April. She had attended a meeting at PDNPA the previous week, where they had changed their strategy regarding the North Lees Estate and Stanage: there would now be far more consultation and transparency. This meant the need for a meeting of the Stanage Forum was urgent, so she was trying to arrange this.
8. Sheffield Moors Partnership – Councillor Gordon reported that this event had focussed on very high level, long term plans for a large area of land that was owned by several different landowners.
9. Councillor Hanley reported that he and Councillor Whitney had attended the presentation ceremony where Alison Hartley had received her DDDC Community Award. She had been recommended for this award by the Council and had thanked all its members for thinking of her.

42/12 Parish Matters

1. The Council were pleased to note that the rubbish on the Castleton Road had been cleared.
2. The Clerk reported that he had received a message from PDNPA's Historic Building Adviser, saying Sir Hugh Sykes had appointed architects to refurbish the property and bring it back into use. They would also tarpaulin the roof as a matter of urgency.
3. It was resolved that the following items should be included in the next agenda:
 - PDNPA's recent announcements regarding the use of motorised vehicles on green lanes.
 - PDNPA's recent changes to its strategy regarding the North Lees Estate and Stanage.

Date of Next Two Meetings

The next two meetings are on 30 April at 7.15pm and 28 May at 7.30pm in Sampson Room, Hathersage Memorial Hall.

The meeting closed at 11.00pm.