

HAYFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 6th AUGUST 2014 IN THE CRICKET PAVILION, HAYFIELD

Present:

Cllrs P Easter (In the Chair), K Bevins, L Bevins, M Jones, E Lawson, A Ramwell, V Wiesteska and J Wilson

In attendance: 8 members of the public, District Councillor Ashton and K Bradshaw, Parish Clerk

PART 1 NON CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

489 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs D Clarke and M Dean who are on holiday

490 Variation of Order of Business

There were no variations to the order of business.

491 Declarations of Members Interests

There were no declarations of interest

492 Dispensations from members on matters in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest

There were no dispensations requested

493 Items in part 1 of the Agenda requiring exclusion of the public

There were no items in Part 1 requiring exclusion of the public.

494 Public Speaking

Concern was expressed that the bid did not meet Heritage Lottery Fund criteria. There is evidence of need and it was suggested to use a bid writer on a "no win no fee" basis as there are many funding pots.

A member of the public was pleased that the land at Fairy Bank is on the agenda and looks forward to the public meeting to be held later this year.

Concerns were raised at the damage to the interpretation board at Bowden Bridge.

The health service reorganisation consultation is very important for High Peak and the Council is requested to respond to this and to hold a public meeting.

The Civic Trust has contacted DCC regarding the state of the alley way and the verges on the A624.

Cllr Ashton said that DCC has no objection to the proposal for the verge at New Mills Road provided that no trees are planted. The Parish Council will need a cultivation license and agreement would have to be made with the Parish Council. He requested the Council to look favourably on this request.

495 Minutes of Meetings

It was RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 2nd July 2014 were true and fair record and were duly signed by the Chairman.

It was RESOLVED that the minutes of the Extraordinary meeting held on 17th July 2014 were true and fair record and were duly signed by the Chairman.

It was RESOLVED that the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on 24th July 2014 were true and fair record and were duly signed by the Chairman.

496 PLANNING

It was RESOLVED that the Council comments as follows on the following Planning Applications-
HPK/2014/0257

Mrs Anne Fraser, 135 Bank End Farm, Kinder Road, Hayfield

New first floor window on east gable (existing listed buildings consent HPK/2014/0126)

No objection

HPK/2014/0301

Mr & Mrs H & S Thomas, Land between Rowan House & No 22 Highgate Road, Hayfield
Proposed detached house

No objection

It was RESOLVED to note the following Decision Notices

NP/HPK/0414/0442

Erection of conservatory to gable end and extension to dwelling at Swallow Bank Farm –

GRANTED

NP/HPK/0514/0460

New Cattle Shed, Marl House Farm, Glossop Road, Little Hayfield – **GRANTED**

NP/HPK/0614/0622

New Play Equipment for existing play area, Lea Road, Hayfield - **GRANTED**

497 Chairman's Announcements

Councillors and members of the public were thanked for their attendance at the WW1 commemoration parade and the opening of the exhibition in the Village Hall. The feedback received on these events is exceptionally positive.

Series 2 of The Village begins on Sunday 10th August.

The Tennis Court sign has been rescued from the river and returned to the office.

The owner of the fence on the path to the Old School Field has been contacted and is awaiting quotes for repairs to the fence and the overhanging ivy has been removed.

Hayfield Cricket Club has completed the work on the remembrance garden.

On 30th August a horticultural show will be held in the Village Hall

The state of the by pass will be referred to DCC

498 Committee and Other Reports

a) Little Hayfield Advisory Committee

The minutes of the last meeting held on 18th July have been received.

b) Recreation and Leisure Committee

Nothing to report

c) Allotments Society

Quotations are being sought for the hard standing works. As the organiser of the show in the Village Hall requests were made for donations of cakes and other refreshments.

d) Dungeon Brow Working Group

See Finance report

499 Clerk's Report

Lea Road Play Area - Planning permission has been granted at last and the work will start on 6th August and could be finished by the weekend – weather permitting.

Valley Road Play Area - Three play equipment manufacturers have visited the site and their ideas and proposals are expected soon. A fourth supplier will be coming to have a look later in August.

Dogs - Concerns have been relayed to David Smith at HPBC regarding dogs in the Valley Road Play area and he will be sending an enforcement officer to pay more attention to this area.

Pump Park – Elizabeth Pleasant at HPBC has been contacted re planning requirements and a reply is awaited

Red, White and Blue Bunting - The supplier (TDH Group) has been contacted re the fading of the red flags and is awaiting to hear what the Council wants to do.

It was RESOLVED that replacement of the bunting be requested.

Bank Vale Sports Field - Mr Hulland of Bagshaws has reported that he is currently in negotiations with the Church's valuers

Grant for WW1 Commemorations -

High Peak Borough Council is dragging its feet on our application for £850.00. A

breakdown of costs together with photographs of the exhibition have been sent and this will be continued to be chased up.

Interpretation Board – Bowden Bridge

This has been collected by the manufacturer for repair which will cost £220 + VAT.

Parking at the Top of the Town

Steve Alcock and Isobel Mulligan of DCC have been contacted and a response is awaited.

500 DALC Circulars

It was RESOLVED to note the following DALC Circulars have been received:

Circular 15/2014 - Governance and Accountability for Local Councils; Rural Housing Policy Review; Have your say on the future of the rural economy; Reminder – LGPS 2014 Discretions – Statement of Policy; Individual Electoral Registration (IER); Pensions Briefing administered by Nottinghamshire Association of Local Councils; Making Localism Work

Circular 16/2014 - Tall Poppies HR Company; First successful parish change under the Sustainable Communities Act; Village Shops outperform Supermarkets; School's out for summer; Vacancies

Circular 17/2014 - Parliament approves Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014; NALC wants clear audit direction; Taking a parish pulse test on Community Rights; 'Your community needs you' cries national parish body; SLCC Derbyshire Branch; Ockbrook & Borrowash Parish Council - Vacancy

Circular 18/2014 - Covering the Basics of Employment; Councillor Induction Training Course; Clerk Induction Training; Digital By Default – How Local Councils Can Be More Effective On Line; Financial Regulations Training; Chair Skills, Certificate in Local Council Administration

501 Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies

a) Hayfield Educational Charity

Nothing to report

b) Hayfield Community Sports Club

The respective valuers are in negotiations

e) The Village Hall

Nothing to report

f) Arden Quarry Liaison Group

The Environment Agency is not using the correct protocol and is not relaying concerns to Health England. Gas from the quarry has increased for 200m³/hr in 2012 to 1,000m³/hr now. 80% is being burnt but 200m³/hr is being released to atmosphere. The proposed wind turbine would cause interference with the TV mast.

g) Hayfield Quarry Liaison Group

The next meeting will be held on 8th October at 2pm in the Village Hall

502 Draft Open and Accountable Local Government

It was RESOLVED to note that this comes into force today which entitles members of the press and the public to record, photograph, film and record electronically Meetings of the Council including Committee and Sub-Committee meetings

503 High Peak & Hope Valley Community Rail Partnership

It was reported that new northern franchises are being examined to provide more earlier and later trains and more on Sundays on three lines with better rolling stock and quicker trains. Comments are needed before August 18th and comments should be sent to the Clerk for forwarding. It appears that New Mills and Whaley Bridge have been omitted.

504 Exception site

The Peak District National Park has identified the land at Fairy Bank as a possible exception site and is trying to find out who owns this land. The Council is still awaiting some answers regarding the housing needs survey and will call a public meeting when these are to hand.

505 Verge at New Mills Road

It was RESOLVED that the Council will apply for a cultivation license so that this verge can be

planted as a single unit not individual plots and that a donation of £50.00 towards the cost of shrubs be made. There were two abstentions.

506 Waste Bins

It was RESOLVED that waste bins be purchased and located on the Tennis Court, at the Cricket pitch end of the park and near the main gate of the Old School Field.

507 Finance

a) It was RESOLVED to note that the Bank Balances at 31st July 2014 stood at:-
Current Account £12,435.62; Deposit Account £120,861.51; Total £ 133,297.13

b) Banking Arrangements

It was RESOLVED that the Council should revert to using cheques for payments if the Bank insists on charging for electronic payments.

c) It was RESOLVED to note the External Auditors Report “On the basis of our review, in our opinion the information in the annual return is in accordance with proper practices and no matters have come to our attention giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met.

d) It was RESOLVED to award the contract for the new windows on the ground floor of Dungeon Brow to J W Joinery.

e) It was RESOLVED that the works to create the area for the dustbins at Dungeon Brow and the painting of the first floor windows and doors be undertaken by the contract gardeners

f) It was RESOLVED to approve the payments detailed below as recommended by the Finance Committee on 24th July 2014

Reference	Payee	Description	Amount
BACS045	Keith Bradshaw	Expenses	£54.99
BACS046	Carham Garden Maintenance	Contract Maintenance	£488.01
BACS047	DALC	Training – Financial Regulations	£20.00
BACS048	High Peak Borough Council	Maps for planning permission	£62.40
BACS049	LDW Tool & Equipment Hire	Padlock, chain, mop, shears	£32.80
BACS050	David G Ross	Bedding Plants & Baskets	£113.46
BACS051	Hayfield Village Hall	Room Hire	£15.00
BACS052	Viking Direct	Copier Paper	£52.00
BACS053	Chris Wild	Contract Maintenance	£290.00
BACS054/ 5	Employees	Net Salaries – July	£1,146.20
BACS056	HMRC	PAYE & NIC - July	£341.85
Cheques			
103302	B Tier	Refund of deposit – allotment	£6.00
103303	Cancelled		£0.00
103304	GM Fire Service Pipe Band	Band for WW1 Commemoration	£400.00
BACS036	Chris Wild	Contract Maintenance	£710.00

508 Exclusion of the press and the public

It was RESOLVED that in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted (in respect of the personal situation of employees and details of the terms of contract for the supply of services, which could result in legal proceedings) it is advisable in the public interest, that the press and public be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.

509 Bank Vale Field

It was RESOLVED that the Council will not pay towards the legal costs incurred by St Matthews Church. There was one abstention and one vote against.

The Meeting Closed at 8.20pm

.....ChairmanDate