

YOULGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall Committee Room on 24th November 2015

Present: Councillors Lillian Clark, Graham Elliott, Nicola Humphreys, Glenys Moore, Richard Roper, Rob Scott, Brian Wardle, Ralph Wilson and John Wragg
In attendance: Matthew Lovell – Clerk + 0 members of the public

2114 To receive apologies for absence
Cllr Andrew McCloy sent his apologies. Cllr Moore apologised for a meeting clash and left half way through item 2123.

2115 Variation of order of business and Clerk's request for time constrained items
No variations required.

2116 Declaration of Members Interests
None required for this meeting

2117 Public Speaking
County Councillor Simon Spencer and PC Hyde sent their apologies. Our County Councillor had attended last week's Finance meeting using the date from the last agenda which was subsequently changed. Councillors had thanked him for his persistence in getting the lower church steps handrail to planning stage.

- a) Public – none present. It was noted that the urgent local need from last month has accepted a property in Bakewell.
- b) The District Councillor reported that the petition to support community transport that needed at least 7500 signatures to enable County Councillors to revisit the funding cuts had received 15000 to date.

2118 To confirm the Non-exempt minutes of the meeting held on 20th October 2015
RESOLVED to confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 20th October 2015 subject to amending 2110 from £30000 to £3000. The minutes were signed by the Chair.

2119 To determine which if any from Part 1 of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded – none

2120 Planning decisions/applications received since last meeting. Planning related matters

Decisions received: None

Comments returned due to deadlines:

NP/DDD/1015/0920 – Hopton Tower The Old Hall 1.5m boundary dry stone wall – no objections

NP/DDD/1015/0936 – Church Steps Handrail – Council fully supports this application which it had been asking to be installed for three and a half years. This is an essential requirement for this stepped entrance to allow the less able access to and from the churchyard along the public footpath. We fervently wish to see this passed and Derbyshire County Council to install prior to the onset of winter.

Applications for discussion: none

2121 Footpaths and Highways and related issues

Still no response from Trading Standards on reported HGV vehicles or Highways on moving the 7.5 Tonne limits.

Rights of Way has inspected Footpath 24 at the parish boundary where it crosses Bleakley Dyke and will budget repairs for the next financial year.

No response has been received regarding the deterioration of the Bradford Dale footpaths making them extremely difficult for wheelchair and pushchair access.

Alport Lane beyond Alport has up to today seen no work to clear the footpaths.

The Conksbury Lane sign is under negotiations for replacement.

Grit will be available for sale from Youlgrave Garage again this year.

Lighting concerns over a dark spot on Bradford where a light was knocked down and not replaced some years ago will be forwarded as will a request to move the light on Church Street near the Post office to opposite Barnes Lane junction.

A request for a free dispenser for dog mess bags was felt not to be appropriate at this time due to the number of bags being slung into hedges and gardens and should only be considered if DDDC increases its network of waste bins.

2122 Reports from Village Organisations –

S&C Hall – work ongoing

Village Hall – is buying a new industrial size cooker to cater for larger numbers.

Reading Room – is fortunate to be supported by receiving handed on items and the three day sale did very well raising £550

CLT – councillors have been invited to the Building Award event at 11am on 28th November. A sub-committee is meeting this evening with Winster to fact-find how they run their village shop as we will shortly be down to one and the CLT wants to look at putting contingencies in place should there be no interest when it eventually comes for sale.

Waterworks – seasonal weather delays are hampering the new works but otherwise the company is running well. In response to a comment about river levels it was noted that it's Severn Trent not Youlgrave Water pipes that are being questioned for losses.

2123 Report of the Clerk / update on: -

a) Playing Field and Village asset matters

Playing Fields – the toilet blocks are closed and water off. The fridge has been replaced by the cricket club and the clerk will arrange for Pat Testing.

A request was received for assistance with the commemorative tree and will be responded to.

Holywell Lane Toilet block has suffered a second arson attack with the toilet rolls being set light to in the Ladies this time and cigarettes being stubbed out on the doors – CR49659/15 – Police and our interest will be noted for the Bugle. It was noted that CCTV might be desirable in this area at some point.

b) Allotments – all plots let and a waiting list of 3 currently. A complaint has been received regarding tipping of cuttings into the dale which can be dangerous for the cattle grazing and an article is going in the next Bugle.

c) Project costing progress – DDDC Grant – the application for a licence to install a bench at Fountain Square is in progress – 4 weeks. Fountain Square bench on

removable posts – the makers of the matching bench nearby have declined to quote. It was decided to source a bench locally to a similar style with arms.

Floodlighting for the MUGA. No response yet from the football club. The clerk has passed on details of DDDC sport club grants.

Westcroft residents have asked for a grit bin half way along. The clerk will chase DCC to provide one for free and obtain from Long Rake if none are available.

d) Tree Planting Ceremony report

The event was a success with the High Sheriff planting the tree and cutting the ribbon for the BMX trail and Hope Construction Materials attending with their banner and all being photographed for the Derbyshire Times/Matlock Mercury and Buxton Advertiser – including a video for the online versions.

The clerk has circulated photographs and Cllr Elliott supplied a report to Daran Murray at Hope Construction Materials.

Council thanked Cllr Elliott for his hours organising the project and for hosting the ceremony.

e) Christmas Tree

A Norwegian Spruce is to be sourced at 6' rooted and planted a 9' cut tree ordered each year until it is of sufficient height to be used.

2124 Donations

Resolved to donate: Bakewell and Eyam Community Transport £ 150.00; Youlgrave School Association £50.00; Youlgrave Playschool £50.00; Youlgrave Silver Band £50.00

2125 Rent Review for 2016/17

Council agreed to keep the rents at the same level at Allotments £25 per full plot, Playing Field per user £70 per team £105

2126 Precept for 2016/17

Council resolved to set the precept at the same level as the current year £17523.00

2127 Derbyshire Association of Local Councils & Correspondence

Dalc 25, Clerks and Councils Direct, Countryside Voice

2128 Finance

(a) Accounts for Payment

Cheque/online	Payee	NET	VAT
Ubds	Birchover Landscapes	370.00	
Ubds	HM Lovell	572.87	
Ubds	EM Lowe	132.00	
Ubds	Youlgrave Village Hall	7.50	
300062	YPCC	1,500.00	
300063	JC Lovell wayleave	4.00	
DDR	NEST	47.43	
Ubds	Playinspection Co Ltd	125.00	25.00
300061	Recycling area printing	44.58	8.92
300060	Youlgrave Garage Soil	10.00	2.00
300059	Peak Feast	58.00	
300058	Royal British Legion	15.00	

Ubds	HM Lovell expenses		46.60	
Ubds	Bakewell and Eyam Transport - donation		150.00	
600064	The Bugle		25.00	
300065	Youlgrave School Association		50.00	
300066	Youlgrave Playschool		50.00	
300067	Youlgrave Silver band		50.00	
Ubds	HM Lovell (Dec)		591.02	
Ubds	HMRC		149.60	
DDR	NEST		47.43	
Ubds	E Lowe		80.00	
			4096.03	35.92

Income

Honesty Box	-	HLTB	£40.25
		CE	£318.53

(b)	Budget Appraisal/Risk Assessment	
	Term Deposit March 2016	£35000.00
	Balance after above – CoOp (Defib)	£3523.69
	Unity Current	£21473.59

2129 Charity 520537 Authorisation of Accounts

The trustees approved the accounts for submission to the Charity Commission.

2130 Date of next meeting – **19th January 2016** – in Youlgrave Village Hall Committee Room commencing at **7:15pm**

Exempt Items - none

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:10 pm