

YOULGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall on 30th September 2014

Present: Councillors Lillian Clark, Graham Elliott, Nicola Humphreys, Andrew McCloy, Glenys Moore, Rob Scott, Sarah Shimwell, Brian Wardle and John Wragg

In attendance: Matthew Lovell – Clerk + 4 members of the public

1908 To receive apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Councillor Eric Goodwin

1909 Variation of order of business and Clerk's request for time constrained items

No variations required. The Clerk asked permission to include the planning item for Rose Cottage due to time constraints.

1910 Declaration of Members Interests

No declarations were required.

1911 Public Speaking

County Councillor Simon Spencer, PCSO Grundy and PC Hyde sent their apologies. The Mobile Police Office is scheduled to visit on the evening of our next meeting.

Representatives from Over Haddon Parish and on the BOAT route discussed the claim to make the route across Lathkill Dale and Conksbury open to all motorised vehicles and urged all those with knowledge of the history of the use of this track to come forward to give evidence to assist in preventing its acceptance for 4x4 and motorcycle destruction. The farmer noted that 3 gates across this proposed route into the farmyard are locked at night and the working farm will be directly affected if successful.

It is understood that the Peak Park has been targeted by 4x4 user groups to establish rights of way on old tracks. The claims were lodged in 2005 and have to show continuous use for the previous 20 years. This use is for through traffic ie access to farms, Peak Park workers etc does not count. Individual evidence is required by Derbyshire County Council who have to assess the evidence and if proved grant a BOAT. Should this be successful then the Peak Park Authority have the powers to place a Traffic Restriction Order on the route but as these legal processes take time it would be better to provide evidence now. The PC can assist in hosting a meeting and supplying forms but it is the individual statements that count. Evidence needs to show dates and it was stressed that not seeing certain types of transport counts as much as incidents of user clashes.

District Councillor David Fredrickson notified Council that complaints had been received about the 10 week duration of the road closure and that a cycling event through the village stopping at the village hall needed complaining to the organisers for its intimidating speeds and numbers with no regards for pedestrians and our lack of pavements.

1912 To confirm the Non-exempt minutes of the meeting held on 15th July 2014

RESOLVED to confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 15th July 2014. The minutes were signed by the Chair.

1913 To determine which if any from Part 1 of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded – none

1914 Planning decisions/applications received since last meeting. Planning related matters

Decisions received: NP/DDD/0614/0613 – Chapel Close – erection of Garage/store - Granted

NP/DDD/0614/0698 – 4 Mawstone Lane – extension to rear - Granted

NP/DDD//0714/0737 – Oldfield, West Croft Coldwell End - Erection of detached garage and log store and change of use of existing garage to kitchen - Granted

NP/DDD/0714/0757 – Peters Lea Coldwell End - Proposed Sun room extension - Granted

NP/DDD/0814/0804 – Swallow Nest Chapel Close – conservatory extension – Granted

NP/DDD/0414/0419 – The Chase Coldwell End – Single earth sheltered dwelling - Granted

Applications for discussion: NP/DDD/0814/0922 – Old Hall Farm Moor Lane – Listed consent log burner and metal flue
NO objections

NP/DDD/0814/0829 – Rose Cottage – Listed consent and roof lights

Council supported the improvements – but this application was withdrawn before comment could be passed on and will be returned to council when resubmission takes place.

1915 Footpaths and Highways and related issues

Church handrail – no planning application yet received – Clerk to chase County Councillor.

Potholes near the grid at the bottom of Stoneyside need urgent attention.

The last storm brought sewage to the surface of the manhole near the Swimming Area in the Dale which needs notifying to Severn Trent.

Mawstone Lane is still covered in gravel at the low point from the last storm which needs clearing. The drainage hole clearance and flooding have already been reported by individuals.

It was noted that highways has done an excellent job in repairing the footpaths on Grove Place.

The patches on Conksbury and Church Corner are already deteriorating and ruts on Bradford are again cause for concern.

1916 Reports from Village Organisations –

S&C Hall – the correspondence with the Charity Commission from 2002 is to be resumed.

Village Hall – heating costs are an ongoing concern. Children have been seen on the roof and measures are being looked at to prevent access.

Reading Room – additional radiators have been added to ensure more heating is available.

CLT – nothing to report.

Water Board – the new treatment plant is operational and saves by buying chemicals in bulk. The additional accommodation conversions through the village are being diligently chased for separate billing status.

1917 Report of the Clerk on: -

a) Playing Field and Village asset matters – the sensor in the ladies loos in Holywell Lane is not working and needs the electrician to revisit.

Noticeboard – manpower is to be sought for installation.

Playing Field inspection follow up:

The emergency notices have been replaced. NO Dogs not yet on the gate.

No Dogs – it was suggested that it be painted on the barrier for visual impact.

The shipping shelter – price to be sought for budget meeting.

Pavilion – high window at the end needs painting. The appliances have been Pat Tested.

The toddlers play area swing posts are rotting although sound. The clerk is in contact with the manufacturer direct and has a cost for repair or replacement from one company to date and will bring to October meeting.

Clerk still to obtain a quote for repair to Three smashed slates and gutter repair on the toilet block

A panel in the Telephone kiosk at Alport has been kicked out. BT have promised to send us a replacement as the clerk has been in communication regarding a notice in the Holywell Lane telephone box stating that the lack of use means that BT is planning to remove its equipment and offer the kiosk to Heartbeat Trust. Whilst we have sufficient units already, Council agreed to claim the kiosk if it is to stop being a telephone box and retain it in situ for parish use. It was noted that the defibrillator sign on Bradford is fading in the sun.

There is no news yet on the memorial bench for Spring Lane.

Allotments –

The lower 1/8th plot has just been relinquished and the clerk will offer it to the next on the waiting list.

- b) Website – the clerk noted that administration of this is down to 2 hours a month currently.
- c) DDDC Bins decision - DDDC have discussed our comments and have agreed the dog bin on Moor Lane can be retained as we outlined, but felt that the advice from the regular bin collector on the use of the other bins justifies their removal. They have discussed the issues over the bin at the bottom of Holywell Lane, its usage and collection of rubbish, due to the distance the rubbish bags have to be carried DDDC would be unable to increase the bin provision here.

1918 Claim to add a Byway Open to all traffic from Over Haddon to Conksbury

Council is to express its disquiet to DCC over this issue and will look into a joint public meeting with Over Haddon Parish Council. A supply of evidence forms will be printed by the clerk and Councillors urged to distribute to those with knowledge of the route.

The public meeting is being held at Over Haddon on Thursday 16th October at 8pm and the deadline for evidence is now 7th November.

1919 Alport Lane Playing Fields Cycle trail

The two paths are being kept strimmed by our contractor. The Primary School has visited the area and the children are enthusiastic about the project and the Chair was presented with 68 proposals from all pupils aged 4 to 11 with their designs which will be collated to create a scheme. Council thanked the school for their interest and efforts and will try to incorporate the ideas into a workable route.

1920 Holywell Lane Toilet Block Repairs Deferred to the next meeting

1921 Unity Bank

This bank offers parishes and community accounts a secure online banking system where the clerk can raise payments but not authorize and two councillors can then authorize but cannot raise payments. The simplified rules for those holding office do not require a full mandate being made out every time and no ID required to be presented as the status of Councillor is deemed sufficient. The Post Office can be used for deposits as now.

Council resolved to open a current account and for this initial period until the elections in May, the Finance Committee members will become the signatures. The Clerk is to be authorised for View and Submit and any two councillors authorised for View and Authorise with regard to online payments and any two councillors to sign cheques. The CoOp account will be kept open as money is on term deposit but other options will be looked at on maturity in February 2015 and all current account activities will be transferred as soon as practical.

1922 Derbyshire Association of Local Councils & Correspondence

Letter regarding Obstructive parking on Church Street

Council agreed that with the comments from the County Council that we have no jurisdiction in this matter and incidents need reporting to the Police and Highways at the

time.

Letter regarding Hulleys Bus turning

Council thanked the writer for their observations and will continue to monitor the situation. It was noted that the Bugle article and a recently installed drop kerb have meant that no further complaints have been received from Hulleys at present.

Letter requesting access to Coldwell End Car park for high vehicles

Council reaffirmed the requirement for a height barrier as a removal during maintenance in the recent past saw three camper vans overnight there and the minimal number of high sided resident vehicles does not make for a change in policy at this time.

DALC 19 and Annual report

PDNPA Parish Members Appointments Consultation – changes noted are that candidate parish councillors can be proposed by other parishes and the PPPF will administer the voting to save substantial costs.

1923 Finance

(a) Accounts for Payment

Cheque No	Payee	
500907	Youlgrave Village Hall	£102.00
500911	YPO	£35.38
500912	Bakewell Property Maint	£668.00
500913	HM Lovell	£511.94
500914	HMRC	£82.00
500915	EM Lowe	£180.00
500916	HM Lovell expenses	£55.36
500917	Haddon Landscapes	£740.00
500918	Birchover Landscapes	£270.00
500919	Grant Thornton UK LLP	£360.00
500920	Broker Network Ltd	£1862.78
500921	KL Communications	£765.60
	Total	£5633.06

Income

Interest August/September	£13.08
ALPF Bowls club Rent	£120.00
ALPF YUFC electric/water	£70.23
Youth project donation (Judo)	£102.68
Defibrillator collections	£2.22 + £19.91
Wayleave	£4.00
HLTB honesty Box	£174.37
CE Honesty Box	£983.46
Total	£1489.95

(C) Budget Appraisal/Risk Assessment

Current account Balance after above £35397.78

1924 Date of next meeting – 21st October

PART II Exclusion of the Public – no items

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:16 pm