YOULGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall Committee Room on 23rd June 2015

Present: Councillors Lillian Clark, Graham Elliott, Nicola Humphreys, Andrew McCloy, Glenys Moore, Richard Roper, Rob Scott, Brian Wardle, and John Wragg In attendance: Matthew Lovell – Clerk + 2 members of the public

- 2051 <u>To receive apologies for absence</u> Cllr Ralph Wilson sent apologies.
- 2052 <u>Variation of order of business and Clerk's request for time constrained items</u> No variations required.
- 2053 <u>Declaration of Members Interests</u> None required for this meeting

2054 Public Speaking

County Councillor Simon Spencer and PC Hyde sent their apologies.

A parishioner requested that Council revisit the Parish Plan at a future meeting as whilst some items may now be dated there are still ideas worth consideration eg a Gateway to the Village at the top end that cause traffic to physically slow down – giving priority to the uphill traffic leaving the village. Another suggestion was whether tree planting on suitable verges on the Grove/Westcroft might be something the residents would support.

The churchyard mowing was queried as the grass on the old graves has yet to be cut.

An incident was reported on Sunday where the defibrillators were needed. One was accessed ok but the other encountered user difficulties.

- 2055 To confirm the Non-exempt minutes of the meeting held on 19th May 2015
 RESOLVED to confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 19th May 2015. The minutes were signed by the Chair.
- 2056 To determine which if any from Part 1 of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded none
- 2057 Planning decisions/applications received since last meeting. Planning related matters

Decisions received: NP/DDD/0415/0356 – Cobblers Cottage, Bradford – Installation of external gable end wall - Granted

Applications for discussion:

NP/DDD/0515/0481 – Long Rake Spar Mining Co – Temporary Office Accommodation

Council supports the needs of a local company to upgrade its office facilities.

2058 Footpaths and Highways and related issues

An order for the creation of the route from Over Haddon to Conksbury Lane as a bridleway was welcomed by Council as this removes the uncertainty over its status.

Thanks were expressed to the parishioners whose evidence assisted with this decision.

The clerk is to report concerns that the retaining wall on the Alport roadside footpath is leaning dangerously. The footpath deterioration outside the school is also of concern.

HGVs crossing through the 7.5T limit are an ever increasing problem. It was felt that clarification by our PC and County Councillor as to the way to get action on this needs pursuing. B5056 Hawleys Bridge potholes and service duct erosion has been reported.

The clerk has today chased the Church Handrail through the County Councillor. Bankside has seen a start made on cutting back overgrowing vegetation but a lot more work is needed.

It was noted that the sections of riverside footpath from Holywell Lane to the first weir and the first 100yds from Bradford towards Alport are no longer accessible for wheelchairs. A meeting with the Peak Ranger/DCC was proposed to inspect this section.

A white line opposite Hannah Bowman Way is considered a low priority as the splay of the entrance accommodates turning traffic unlike at Brassington Close where a tree has now appeared in the highway.

2059 Reports from Village Organisations –

S&C Hall – the governors are in consultation with the user groups to find a way forward. The first round of meetings will be conclude before the next Council meeting and a report given to that meeting.

Village Hall – the Council representative is only allowed to read a prepared statement from the Committee and outlined the positive progress of a new 50" TV in the stage area – being used for the Well Dressing video this week, Dodgeball is to start on Saturday mornings and they are investing in a new dishwasher and heating controls. Council considers that its elected representative should be free to make comment on all aspects of interest to Council and the Village and will check the new Village Hall constitution for clarification on this disturbing curtailment of freedom of speech.

Reading Room – continues to do well

CLT – some problems over the let/buy structure have led to the Peak District Housing Association to apply to alter 2 properties to rental. The orchard is to incorporate bug hotels as part of a school project.

Waterworks – once the treatment house works are complete and with the savings made from bulk buying, the plan is to move to bury the tank above Conksbury Avenue. A taste issue over the weekend was caused by switching supply from the spring to mine source, there was no dip in quality. The intransigence of the EA is being offset locally by better control on the supply and minimising leakages.

Carnival – no additional requirements for this coming weekend.

Welldressing – the field car park saw its lowest takings for the weekend.

2060 Report of the Clerk / update on: -

a) Playing Field and Village asset matters

Playing Fields –DDDC official £100 fine dog exclusion notices @ £10 are available – agreed to order 5 No for the entrances to the affected areas. A conversation

with the President of the Hope Valley League has noted that now is the time to send a letter to the league informing of the exclusion zone as their agm is next week. The cricket and bowling leagues need informing as well.

The central bin has not been emptied and an equivalent amount of rubbish has already accumulated in the area around which needs clearing before Carnival.

The defibrillator housings need the postcodes painting on as these are fading.

The Chair commended Councillor Moore for her contribution in liaising with the scout group to clear the areas on either side of the Holywell Lane Toilet Block. The Scouts were thanked for their hard work in clearing the areas, removing rubbish and roots and finally laying stepping stones and planting. Council approved expenditure for the plants and will ask the owner of the Croft to cut back boughs to provide more light.

The request to remove the Church Street noticeboard letter has been copied onto the board by the recipient but no response received.

It was noted that a larger noticeboard in Alport worth considering at a future meeting.

b) Allotments – Only the 1/8 plot is now vacant. The inspection will take place on the evening of the playing field inspection if time.

2061 Coldwell End Recycling Area – removal or resurfacing

The notice in the Bugle asking for parishioners views on the proposal by DDDC to remove the recycling facility met with three responses noting that it was well used and asking that it remain. The motion to agree to DDDC's request to remove this facility due to its surface being out of compliance for sweeping up and the increasing problem of fly tipping was passed by a majority of 5 votes in favour and 4 against. The amendment to price for resurfacing and see whether the contractor would maintain his increased schedule was defeated by 4 votes in favour and 5 votes against.

2062 Cycling Event Issues

An enquiry by our PDNPA member has discovered that the County Council manages cycling events but those on the highway do not require any special measures. Council will write to DCC and National Cycling to ask for sensible measures for time trials when passing through villages, notification and communications with parishes on the routes.

2063 MUGA and Tennis Court Surface

The tennis courts surface restoration quote for the hard wearing paint surface along with a resurfacing quote was received. The Tennis Club monies cover the tennis court painting only.

As there is a possibility of Downlow providing some grant monies and assistance, this item was deferred to the next meeting.

2064 Derbyshire Association of Local Councils & Correspondence

2065 Finance

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(a) Accou	unts for Payment				
Cheque/online	Payee		Category	NET	VAT
ubddr	HM Lovell (June)		salary	608.97	
ubddr	HMRC		paye	163.00	
ubddr	HM Lovell		expenses	37.27	
ubddr	E Lowe		Cleaning	180.00	
ubddr	Haddon Landsca	•	Mowing	370.00	
ubddr	Broker Network Ltd		Insurance	25.00	
300001	Birchover Landscapes		Mowing	210.00	
300002	Youlgrave Silver Band		\$137 – Wells concert	130.00	
300003	Wirksworth Skip Hire		Allotments	112.50	22.50
300004	Medical Aid fP		Plants for HLTB	25.00	
Income					
Received from		Category		Amount	
CoOp Bank		Interest		0.95	
Youlgrave Carnival		Insurance excess		25.00	
Youlgrave All Saints		ALPF rent		70.00	
Youlgrave Bowls Club		ALPF rent and lease		120.00	
Donations		defibrillator		284.55	
Youlgrave Tennis Club		Ring fenced court repair fund		1544.49	
Car park receipts		ALPF field		222.10	
Donations		CE Car Park		796.26	
Donations		HL Toilet Block		132.99	

(b) Budget Appraisal/Risk Assessment
Term Deposit March 2016 £35000.00
Balance after above – CoOp (Defib) £3509.04
Unity Current £41356.76

2066 Date of next meeting – 21st July 2015 – in Youlgrave Village Hall Committee Room commencing at 7:15pm

Annual walkabout – 14th July starts at 6.30pm at Alport Lane PF Car Park to inspect assets

Exempt Items - None

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:25 pm