

HAYFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 7th OCTOBER 2015 IN THE VILLAGE HALL, HAYFIELD

Present:

Cllrs , P Easter,(In the Chair), M Jones, D Clarke, M Dean, D Toft, K Bevins, E Lawson, L Bevins,
J Wilson

In attendance: 1 member of the public, the Clerk B Smyth, County Councillor Atkins

805 Apologies for Absence

Councillor L Hunter,

806 Variation of Order of Business

None

807 Declarations of Members Interests

None

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

Councillor Easter declared an interest in Agenda item 8, planning.

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

None

810 Public Speaking

Councillor Atkins reported:

the unfortunate news that The Entrance Project would not be proceeding due to a change of personnel at the Greenbank Trust which lead to a reversal of the original decision.

That she is hopeful that other grants can be obtained and the work carried out.

To the meeting that there had been reports of speeding lorries in and around Arden Quarry at Birch Vale and the police and quarry had been informed.

That although not in our Parish the retrospective planning application at Watford Bridge may be of interest.

That the Sheep Dog Trials had been a huge success.

A member of the public informed the meeting that there is still no post box in the centre of the village and a petition may be needed to try and get some action on this matter. She also reported damage to steps at the underpass and the footpath area around the library is in a poor state of repair.

811 Minutes of Meetings

It was RESOLVED that the minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 2nd September 2015 and the Finance Meeting on the 17th September 2015 were a true and fair record.

812 PLANNING

HPK/2015/0519, **resolved** no objections.

HPK/2015/0521, **resolved** no objections.

HPK/2015/0357, **resolved** to object on the grounds that there is a "public right of way" through the property which has not been shown and the parking issues in and around this area have not been considered or addressed.

813 Chairman's Announcements:

Thanked all the organisers, councillors and members of the public who attended the Sheep Dog Trials, it had been excellent.

Informed the meeting that the "Apple Day" celebrations are on the 17th of October.

Invited the Councillors to the opening of The Ceramic Poppy Garden jointly organised by Hayfield Royal British Legion and Hayfield Primary School. This is on the 11/11/2015 at 10.45 am at the School.

Presented 3 letters of correspondence about the Traffic Consultation.

Noted the letter of correspondence from the Jubilee Committee.

Asked Councillor Toft to comment on some of the problems with communications. Councillor Toft explained that he was unhappy that the version of the report he had produced had not been sent out and publicised and that the shorter version gave no context to the recommendations made.

He felt that this has led to problems and concerns being issued by the public. It was **resolved** that the Clerk, Cllr Clarke and Cllr Toft produce a Newsletter within 2 weeks which will include the full and original version of the traffic correspondence. It was also stated by Councillor Wilson that £17,000 was being held by High Peak Borough Council (from a Section 106 agreement as a contribution towards the highways) from Bloor Homes to be used by DCC in the Swallowhouse Lane area. It was agreed that DCC be contacted as to their intentions to spend this money.

814 Committee and Other Reports

a) Little Hayfield Advisory Committee

A request had been made to have some new play equipment and this "Wish list" was presented to the Council. It was agreed to agenda this at the next Recreation and Leisure Committee meeting for consideration and then the Finance Committee for approval of the expenditure.

Again the concerns of the hand rail at the stile on Clough Lane were reported.

The "lights on" Christmas Ceremony is to be held on the 11th December. A request of £200 was sought for this event. This is to be discussed at the next Finance Meeting.

b) Allotments Society

The AGM is to be held on the 4th of November and a fundraising quiz is to be held in The George on the 22nd October.

815 DALC Circulars

To note the following circulars received from DALC which have been circulated to all members:-
Circular no 22, 23 and 24/2015

816 Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies

a) Hayfield Educational Charity

Meeting scheduled for 10/10/2015

b) Hayfield Community Sports Club

As minuted below.

c) The Village Hall

Nothing to report.

d) Arden Quarry Liaison Group

Nothing to report.

e) Hayfield Quarry Liaison Group

Meeting held today and the premises looked very clean and tidy. Minutes to follow.

817 Correspondence, noted:

Police Alert X1

High Peaks CVS Newsletter 9

DCC Sports News

High Peak CVS Newsletter 10, AGM Invite

High Peak BC, Committee Agendas, Winter Maintenance Sub Committee

High Peak Local Area Committee

HP&HV Rail Partnership

PDNPA, New Trees, Press Release £42,000 Grant.

818 Football Field

Progress continues and the Charity Commission have approved the scheme. The matter has now progressed to the Council's solicitors.

819 Finance

It was RESOLVED: To accept the Finance Sub-Committee's recommendations of expenditure from their meeting on 17th September 2015.

Hayfield Parish Council List of Expenditure

<u>Date Paid</u>	<u>Payee Name</u>	<u>Reference</u>	<u>Amount Paid</u>	<u>Transaction Detail</u>
01/09/2015	EOn	DD	18	electricity office
17/09/2015	Markovitz Ltd	3443	173.04	play bark and tools
17/09/2015	Grant Thornton	3444	360	External Audit 2014/2015
17/09/2015	HAGS-SMP Ltd	3445	7930.16	Valley Rd and remedial works
17/09/2015	Royal British Legion	3446	56	Poppy appeal
17/09/2015	Wild About Gardens	3447	410	contracted maintenance
17/09/2015	Carham Garden Maintenance	3448	495.43	contracted maintenance
17/09/2015	Little Green Paint Co	3449	63	paint at Office
17/09/2015	Employees	3450,1	1254.8	wages and travel
17/09/2015	HMRC	3452	<u>1247.71</u>	Tax and NI Q2 2015/16
			12008.1	

820 Finance, the council **resolved** to note and approve the following information from the finance committee,

- a) Income to 17/09/2015 £55,933
Expenditure to 17/09/2015 £75,761
- b) Balance Sheet, showing a year end forecasted general reserve of £17,418
- c) Bank Reconciliation showing at;
01/09/2015 Current Account £0
01/09/2015 Deposit Account £107,604.26

821 To consider The Orchard Project

Councillor Clarke confirmed the arrangements for "Apple Day" on the 17th October and made enquiries about the ongoing responsibility of the "Orchard Project". Councillor Wilson had made the Council aware that Hayfield Parish Council had resolved in its meeting of January 2012 to hand over responsibility of this project to Sustainable Hayfield. It was **resolved** that the clerk contact Sustainable Hayfield to ascertain whether or not this offer had been accepted by Sustainable Hayfield.

822 To consider Play Parks

The Clerk informed the meeting that the annual inspection had been arranged and the Inspectors from last year had been instructed as they offered excellent value and service.

823 To consider Winter Gritting measures.

Historically the Council has had a large loose delivery of rock salt delivered and stored on the Council premises. The maintenance contractors have then drawn from this stock to top up the grit bins where and when necessary. The council **resolved** to continue with this practice. The council will also look at the possibility of purchasing a hand pushed de-icing apparatus to be used in and around the village.

824 To consider the location of a Memorial Bench.

The council had been asked for ideas where a Memorial bench could be situated in the Parish. It was **resolved** to recommend that the bench be placed at "Farlands" where it was believed an extra bench is needed and would be appreciated.

825 To consider the Old School Field.

Councillor L Bevins reported that the hard standing and some of the areas around the footpaths were becoming a bit untidy. It was **resolved** that the clerk provide and agree a "schedule of works" with the contractors.

826 To consider the "Entrance to the village"

This area has become an ever increasing issue with parishioners as DCC have not seemed to be attending to it on a regular enough basis. A suggestion was that we contact our contractors and see how much time would be need on their schedule next year to keep this area tidy. It was **resolved** to report the cost of this maintenance back to the Finance Committee when available.

827 To offer an official opinion on the service received from DALC.

DALC had requested an official answer to the questions, "What are we doing well?" and "What can we improve?"
The Parish Council **resolved** to reply that they were happy with the service and training provided and there was nothing that came to mind regarding improvements.

828 To consider and approve a list of Council documents to be sent to the Records Office.

Councillor Wilson had produced a list of historical documents that she felt could be held in better conditions at the Records Office to help preserve and make them available for public use. The council **resolved** to send these documents to the Records Office and the Clerk to deliver them in person.

The Meeting Closed at 9.10 pm

.....Chairman

.....Date