

HAYFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 6th JANUARY 2016 IN THE VILLAGE HALL, HAYFIELD

Present:

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

In attendance: 3 members of the public, the Clerk B Smyth

872 Apologies for Absence

County Councillor Atkins, Borough Councillor Ashton and Parish Councillor M Dean

873 Variation of Order of Business

None

874 Declarations of Members Interests

None

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

None.

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

It was RESOLVED That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted and in the public interest, that the press and public be temporarily excluded and will be instructed to withdraw for agenda items "Budget and staffing".

877 Public Speaking

A member of the public enquired as to what the Parish Council had agreed to do with regards to the "Turning Circle" at the Bus Station. A further member of the public informed the meeting of their displeasure at High Peak Borough Council's decision to remove the Recycling Site at Hayfield and also at the extremely short notification given on this decision. A representative from Sustainable Hayfield also informed the meeting that their organisation was very unhappy about the removal of this site.

878 Minutes of Meetings

It was RESOLVED that the minutes of the Meeting of the Full Parish Council held on 2nd December 2015, the Finance Committee Meeting on 17th December 2015 and the Rec and Leisure Meeting on the 8th of December were a true and fair record.

879 PLANNING

NP/HPK/1115/06061123 **resolved** no objections.

880 Chairman's Announcements:

Wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Apologised that he had lost his Mobile and been relatively hard to contact.

Thanked the Jubilee Committee, Church and all other helpers for the excellent event at the "Archway Lighting".

Informed the meeting that the Sub-way had flooded again and that DCC were aware.

Had been approached by many parishioners stating that they felt a Christmas Tree by the Cenotaph should be reintroduced next year in memory of the "fallen".

881 Clerk's Announcements:

There has not been a request to call an election as the 8th of January deadline approaches. The overflowing "well" at Valley Road is to be investigated by High Peak BC.

The land drains at Valley Road should help alleviate some of the flooding.

A Tree Survey has been carried out and the relevant "Notification Of Works" is to be sent to HPBC and tenders obtained to carry out the works.

An accident had occurred at Valley Road Skate Park and our insurers have been informed.

The Traffic Consultation has progressed and DCC are currently drawing up a plan which will be sent to the Parish Council for its consideration. Amendments from the Parish Council will be considered. This will probably arrive in one month. After this a "Traffic Regulation Order" will be issued by DCC to publicly advertise the proposed actions and enter the legal process. This process can take 6 to 12 months depending on feedback and objections.

A bin is to be placed by the small step at Dungeon Brow which has caused a couple of trips. This will be bolted in and will be easy to remove should the Parish Council decide to replace it with a planter or to continue with the works at Dungeon Brow.

Reference was made to the question about the works at the "Bus Station". The Parish Council has agreed to consider taking on some of this work, cost and permissions permitting.

882 Committee and Other Reports

a) Little Hayfield Advisory Committee

The Lighting Event was excellent and was well attended.

b) Allotments Society

Nothing reported.

c) Traffic Sub Committee

As per the Clerks announcement.

883 DALC Circulars

To note the following circulars received from DALC which have been circulated to all members:-
Circular no 26 and 27/2015.

884 Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies

a) Hayfield Educational Charity

Nothing to report.

b) Hayfield Community Sports Club

Nothing to report.

c) The Village Hall

Nothing to report.

d) Arden Quarry Liaison Group

Nothing to report.

e) Hayfield Quarry Liaison Group

Nothing to report.

885 Correspondence, noted:

Police Alert X1

High Peaks CVS Newsletter 4 December

PDNPA, Stick Up For Stange

HPBC, Northern Rails Franchise, Removal of Recycling Sites, Local Plan

NDVA Newsletter 102

Friends of Peak District Dec15

The correspondence from High Peak Borough Council regarding the removal of the Recycling Centre at Hayfield was considered and the council **resolved** to object strongly to the removal of this site and to also object to the very short notice period given and the lack of consultation.

886 Football Field
Nothing reported.

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

Hayfield Parish Council List of Expenditure

Date Paid	Payee Name	Reference	Amount Paid	Transaction Detail
01/12/2015	EOn	DD	18	electricity Office
17/12/2015	Wild About Gardens	3473	435	contracted gardening
17/12/2015	Carham Garden Maintenance	3474	718.75	contracted gardening
17/12/2015	LDW Tool and Equipment	3474	37.2	Wacker plate hire Lea Rd
17/12/2015	Employees	3475,6	1292.8	wages and expenses
17/12/2015	HMRC	3477	1052.76	Tax and NI Q3 2015/16
17/12/2015	Broxap Ltd	3478	215.94	Litter bin
17/12/2015	Thornsett Brass Band	3479	70	Christmas performance Sec 137
17/12/2015	Rialtas Business Solutions	3480	133.2	Annual accounts software
17/12/2015	Senior Building Supplies	3481	288.24	Play park and other repairs
17/12/2015	Hayfield Village Hall	3482	44	Room hire 2 months
17/12/2016	LHAG	3483	<u>181.18</u>	Sect 137 Christmas Event
	Total		4487.07	

888 Finance, the council **resolved** to note and approve the following information from the finance committee and the Recreation and Leisure Committee.

a) Income to 17/12/2015 £80,546
Expenditure to 17/12/2015 £90,937

b) Balance Sheet, showing a year end forecasted general reserve of £26,351

c) Bank Reconciliation showing at;
02/12/2015 Current Account £0
02/12/2015 Deposit Account £108,302.10

d) **To consider proposed works and costs at Valley Road.**

The Clerk and Councillor Wilson had met with the contractors at Valley Road and discussed some additional land drains. The contractors have experience of this type of work and have previously installed 2 drains next to the swing area. The Parish Council **resolved** to go ahead with the land drains as proposed by the contractors with a maximum expenditure of £1500. Councillor Lawson has offered the use of her tractor and family member as a driver for these works and she was thanked for her generous offer. The "honeycomb" concrete blocks to the sides of the slide on Valley Road and Little Hayfield were discussed and the council **resolved** to leave them in place and to monitor. The steps to the slide at Little Hayfield were also discussed as they are quite high and difficult for children to climb. The Council **resolved** to proceed with the work to lower them as proposed by the contractors.

f) **Expenditure, To consider any short notice funding requests.**

A Section 137 Grant request was presented from The Hayfield May Queen for refreshments at the Christmas Festival. The council **resolved** to ask for a copy of the receipts and to request an up to date set of accounts from this group.

Trees at Valley Road

It was **resolved** to recommend that an oak tree be planted to commemorate the Diamond Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II and that advice be sought from HPBC Arboricultural Officer Monica Gillespie as to a suitable planting site, and what age/size of tree would be best.

To consider a Bon-fire Night Celebration.

It was **resolved** to allow Councillors Toft and Clarke to investigate Health and Safety, licences, insurances etc in conjunction with the Clerk.

889 To consider Play Parks

As discussed in the Clerks report.

890 To consider Dungeon Brow and remedial works.

As mentioned a bin is to be placed by the "step" to prevent any further trips or falls. A further quotation is to be obtained by the contractor to carry on the "flag paving" right up to the Chemists wall. The timescale of this work will be the middle of February at the earliest.

It was RESOLVED That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted and in the public interest, that the press and public be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.

891 To consider next years budget and to set a precept request.

The Clerk presented a budget showing a deficit of £3108 and discussions took place to decide on what measures to be taken. After much discussion and consideration the Parish Council **resolved** to set the Band D Tax rate at £44.50 for 2016/17 representing a 10% increase from £40.45 in 2015/2016. This means a request to HPBC to receive a precept of £46,903 for 2016/2017. This figure is exclusive of the Parks and Support grants. The revised budget agreed showing income matching expenditure at £73,815.

The Clerk was asked by Councillor K Bevins for the vote on this item to be named.

5 voted for the motion Cllrs Easter, Jones, Clarke, Toft and Wilson.

2 voted against the motion Cllrs K Bevins and Lawson.

One abstention Cllr L Bevins.

892 To consider staffing arrangements.

Discussion took place concerning the Clerks contract.

The Meeting Closed at 8.50 pm

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