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MINUTES OF THE HAYFIELD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON

Wednesday 3rd February 2021 at 7-15pm on the Zoom Platform (Live streamed on YouTube – ‘Andrew Barker’ channel, title ‘Hayfield Parish Council February 2021’).

Present

Cllrs: Tony Ashton (in the chair), Michael Conway, David Gates, Catherine Hughes, Martin Jones, Eva Lawson, David Toft, Jackie Wilson

Also in attendance

Parish Clerk Andrew Barker

PART ONE OF MEETING

0221/01 To receive apologies for absence – Cllr. L Bevins

0221/02 Variations of order of business – It was resolved to hear agenda item ‘0221/16 Old School Field’ after agenda item ‘0221/1 Use of Parish Council ‘Logo.....’.

0221/03 Declaration of members' interests – Nil

0221/04 Dispensations on matters in which members have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest – Nil

0221/05 Agenda items to be taken with the public excluded – It was resolved to hear agenda item ‘0221/15 Change of employment status’ in part two of the meeting with the public excluded due to the private and personal information to be discussed

0221/06 Public Speaking – (10 minutes max)

- a) High Peak Borough Councillor Lawson spoke about receiving complaints regarding missing grit bins on Cote Lane. She stated that the Derbyshire County Council (DCC) bin has been removed. She has reported this to DCC. She has also reported to the Clerk that the lid of the Hayfield Parish Council bin requires repairing.
- b) Nil

0221/07 Minutes of previous meetings

- a) It was resolved to confirm the minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 6th January 2021.
It was resolved to confirm the minutes of the Council & Finance Budget Setting meeting of the 20th January 2021.

0221/08 Chair's announcements – The Chair announced that the first Thursday in May would be the date to elect a Councillor for the Parish Council vacancy if circumstances required it as this would be when other local elections are scheduled for.

0221/09 Clerk's report – The Clerk made reference to the plaques now being in place on the new Valley Road bridge and ongoing work to fill the blanks. The report was noted

0221/10 Planning – It was resolved to

- a) Not discuss 'NP/HPK/1120/1096 – Booth Farm, Kinder Road, Hayfield – Proposed single storey rear extension' due to its withdrawal
- b) Make no objection to 'HPK/2021/0013 – Holly Farm, Kinder Road, Hayfield – Removal of buildings and New Annexe' if the new annexe is for a dependant but that the Council would object if the new annexe was for a 'holiday cottage'.
- c) Make no objection to HPK/2021/0018 4 Fairy Bank Crescent, Hayfield – Proposed two storey side extension and single storey rear extension

0221/11 Use of Parish Council 'Logo' on Decarbonise information flyer – It was resolved to defer a decision until the March 2021 meeting to allow Councillors to view the final version

0221/16 Old School Field – There was a discussion regarding the current state of the Old School Field and an acceptance that it was showing signs of neglect. Although it was accepted there was a need for a rolling programme of works over two to three years it was resolved in the short term that

- a) The Clerk would arrange for the stage area and steps to be lifted and relayed and that the edges be cleared in order improve both safety and appearance.
- b) As soon as possible a hedge (providing thick cover and protection of wildlife) be planted as a boundary between the Old School Field and the A624 banking.

0221/12 Community Orchard Management Structure & Parish Council responsibility – Discussion regarding the history and current arrangements couldn't establish if the group currently running the project came under the control of the Parish Council or not.

It was resolved that the Clerk meet with this group and explain to them the implications and limitations of being a Council Group. The Clerk to report back to the March 2021 Parish Council Meeting and findings from this meeting

0221/13 Tree Survey Results – It was resolved to carry out the works recommended in the Tree Survey report for trees on Parish Council land but not on any tree not on Parish Council land. If trees not on Parish Council land pose a danger to users of the land, then the Clerk will report back to the council. It was resolved to prune a Horse Chestnut (referred to as 1003 in the tree survey) on the River Sett bank that had shed a large branch and is suffering from ‘canker’. This decision taken following e-mail advice from the Borough Council Arboricultural Officer.

0221/14 Little Hayfield Clough Works – It was resolved to approve additional work (1 day) at the Little Hayfield Clough in line with its management plan.

0221/17 Group Reports -

- a) Little Hayfield Advisory Group – No meeting – needs Clerk to set up a meeting
- b) Traffic Management Committee – No meeting
- c) Climate Emergency Group – Cllr Conway reported on its meeting and progress with landowners’ referrals to the Woodland Trust for tree planting. He also reported on exploratory talks and a possible meeting regarding Electric Vehicle Charging Points taking place outside of the Parish Council.

0221/18 Reports from outside bodies –

- a) Hayfield Allotments Society – Nil
- b) Hayfield Educational Charity - Nil
- c) Hayfield Football & Community Sports Club – Nil
- d) The Village Hall - Nil
- e) Arden Quarry – Nil
- f) Hayfield Quarry Liaison Group - Nil
- g) Community Orchard Project – Nil (0221/12 refers)

0221/19 Finance & Accounts for payment –

- a) Accounts for payment – It was resolved to authorise the following payments

Ref.	Payee	Description	Net cost	VAT	Total
BACS821	RSK ADAS Ltd	Solar Farm Feasibility Report 2	£13,176.00	£2635.20	£15811.20
BACS822	HAGS	Playground equipment repairs	£2339.28	£467.85	£2807.13

BACS823	A E M Barker	Toner x 4	£247.46	£49.49	£296.95
BACS824	A E M Barker	Hardware	£103.00		£103.00
BACS825	S Chapman	Little Hayfield Clough Works	£480.00	£96.00	£576.00

PART TWO

0221/15 Change of employment status Temporary Part Time Maintenance Assistant – It was resolved to offer the current Temporary Part Time Maintenance Assistant the position permanently. The clerk to arrange a contract if the position is accepted

0122/20 Date of next meeting

The date of the next meeting was agreed as **Wednesday 3rd March 2021 at 7-15pm**

The meeting closed at 8-44pm