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DRAFT MINUTES OF HAYFIELD PARISH COUNCIL.

Meeting held on Wednesday 7th February 2024 at 7:15pm in Hayfield Village.

Present: Cllrs L.Bevins (in the chair), M.Conway, A.Feetham, D.Gouldthorpe, E.Lawson, D.Toft, K.Dalkin.

Also in Attendance: H.Mason Hayfield Parish Council Clerk, G.Scott (HPBC), Four Members of the Public.

Part One of Meeting

0224/01 To receive apologies for absence: Cllr Underwood and Ashton.

0224/02 Variations of order of business: Nil.

0224/03 Declaration of members' interests: Nil.

0224/04 Dispensations from members on matters in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest: Nil.

0224/05 To determine which Agenda items, if any, should be taken with the public excluded: Agenda Item 12.

0224/06 Public Speaking:

A. Anne Clarke DCC: I have undertaken a second meeting with the manager overseeing the bus station adaptations to ask about progress and raise residents' concerns and requests.

The request for a temporary bus shelter, unfortunately could not be actioned, as Derbyshire do not currently hold any and the space available at the temporary bus stop would not be big enough to house one had there been a possibility of sourcing a temporary bus shelter from elsewhere. I was informed that the replacement shelter is, however, due for installation in approximately two weeks' time.

There was a concern from a resident that the new entrance, which has been altered to include the accessible kerbing and a safe and accessible pedestrian crossing point, might cause difficulties for bus drivers. I was given an assurance that as well as drawings and computer-based work, prior to work starting, live test runs had been undertaken with one of the largest buses that uses Hayfield station to sweep test entry and exit with the new measurements to ensure safe manoeuvrability.

Although some work at the bus station is weather dependant it is still hoped that the majority of the work will be completed prior to the end of the month. Work which may continue after

the end of the month could include the improved lighting, including lights within the shelter. This work must be undertaken by Electricity North West and whilst the infrastructure to house the Live Time Boards has been put in place their installation is a future project.

You may be aware of the budget proposals, which have been put forward to save money at County level. They are of great concern to me, but the papers lack detail at the moment. I will update as this becomes clearer.

Finally, the draft response from the Boundary Review Commission proposals have been published and the current Electoral Division proposal is for the Hayfield and New Mills to remain the same. This could, however, change if neighbouring Divisions put forward strong proposals for adjustment during the consultation period. Should the Parish Council wish to comment on the present proposal this can be done via the Boundary Commission website.

Gill Scott HPBC: High Peak Borough Council are financially stable and have appointed two new officers who have visited Hayfield recently – Arts and Culture and Biodiversity Officer have been down to Hayfield and met Sustainable Hayfield, spoke on projects and discussed how HPBC can be used to increase biodiversity. Channels have opened between biodiversity and housing. East Midlands Chambers of Commerce are working with small businesses in the area, support has been helpful with grant applications. Cricket Club Women's changing rooms are coming along nicely, excited for the finish.

B. Nil.

C. Nil.

0224/07 Minutes of previous meetings:

1. The draft minutes of the January 2024 meeting were approved with 'and insurance' added to Item 0124/15.
2. The draft minutes of the Finance Committee meeting of January 2024 were noted.

0224/08 Chair's announcements: Cllr Appleton has stepped down from the role. Spoke on members of the public bringing up the possibilities of a bin on Quarry Rd, the Parish Council cannot provide bins, but Cllr L.Bevins and The Clerk to discuss writing to Peak Park regarding this.

0224/09 Clerk's Report:

The Tree Survey with ACS is being booked in for Thursday 15th February. We are just in communication about timings and the possibility for Charles (Maintenance Assistant) joining them to expand his knowledge when doing checks throughout the year. Once timings have been confirmed, full council will be emailed to be kept updated.

There has been water coming up through the paving slabs in front of the office storage room, this was reported to united utilities, and they have reported back the leak is not coming from their pipes, therefore it must be coming from the pipe on Hayfield Parish Council Land. As this is a fairly urgent matter and it would be a struggle to gain three quotes for such work, I have been in communication with the Chair of the Council on getting this leak fixed.

During Tuesday's office drop-in hours, a member of the public came and complained about the tree work on Valley Road Recreational Ground. This is not something up for discussion or further comment but to make council aware I am in communication with the Chair and Vice Chair on this matter and further updates will be given once all information has been collected.

Since sending out the allotment rent invoices 7 weeks ago to the day – The council are still awaiting payment from 6 plot holders – 5 quarter plots and one-half plot totalling £112 still owed. Receipts to all paid allotment holders will be sent in the next two weeks.

0224/10 Planning:

- a) **HPK/2024/0007** – it was resolved there is no objection to the work but concerns over the trees were raised.
- b) **HPK/2024/0012** – it was resolved to make no comment on the planning, but the Parish Council support the sustainable building and materials being used.

0224/11 2024/25 Hayfield Parish Council Budget & Precept Requirement

- a. It was resolved to authorise and agree on the budget as it was shown.
- b. It was resolved to increase the precept by 10%.

0224/13 Councillors to be Added to Outside Bodies. (If Time Permits): Postponed to Marchs Full Council Meeting.

0224/14 To propose updated terms and conditions for the use of Parish Council Land: To review the edits made from Decembers Meeting discussion. (If Time Permits): Postponed to Marchs Full Council Meeting.

0224/15 Little Hayfield Clough request for works. (If Time Permits): Postponed to Marchs Full Council Meeting.

0224/16 Group Reports To receive reports from:

- a. **Climate Group** – No further update as no meeting has been held since Januarys Full Parish Council Meeting.
- b. **Little Hayfield Advisory Group** – A meeting was held on Tuesday 9th January, spoke on work requested at the meeting at The Clough.
- c. **Communication** – Infographics for Facebook to be sent to the Clerk for publishing once finished – hopefully will be finished in two weeks.

0224/17 Reports from outside bodies to receive reports from:

- 1. **Hayfield Allotments Society** – Spoke on the importance to organise a system for allotment rent payments, and ringfenced money.
- 2. **Hayfield Educational Charity** – Spoke on a meeting was held last night (Tuesday 6th February) and requested for Hayfield Educational Charity to be included as an agenda item in Marchs meeting.
- 3. **Hayfield Football & Community Sports Club** – Clerk to acquire the rent for the land.
- 4. **The Village Hall** – Spoke on new trustees have joined the body.
- 5. **Arden Quarry** – Nil.
- 6. **Hayfield Quarry Liaison Group** – Nil.
- 7. **Community Orchard Project** – Nil.
- 8. **Tourism & Commerce Advisory Group** – No further update as no meeting has been held since Januarys Full Parish Council Meeting.
- 9. **Traffic Management & PROW Committee** – Written report was handed amongst councillors and discussed, please see handout for full report.

0224/18 Finance & Accounts for payment:

- a. The Finance and Accounts for Payment for January 2024 were noted.

0224/19 Date of next meeting was confirmed for Wednesday 6th March 2024.

PART TWO:

0224/12 Tennis Courts: It was resolved to provisionally pass the quotation given by Sporting Surfacing Solutions once the trees surrounding the tennis courts have been dealt with.

END OF MEETING: 20:33