

Chinley, Buxworth and Brownside Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

held on Thursday 25th June 2015, 7.30pm at the Parish Office, 3 Lower Lane, Chinley

Present: Councillors R Drabble, G Hewitt, A Knox, Mrs C Rofer, W Smith and P Wilson.
Clerk Mrs B Wise. DCC Cllr David Lomax and HPB Cllr John Kappes

15/06/39 Apologies for Absence & Resignation

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Mrs A Bramah, Mrs A Phillips and M Walton. Also HPB Councillor Caroline Howe.

The meeting received the Resignation of Cllr Ian Westall and noted that HPBC had been notified and notice of the Casual Vacancy was awaited to start the required procedure to fill the vacancy.

15/06/40 Declaration of Members Interests - None

15/06/41 Community Police

It was noted that PCSO Karen Green had been intending to attend the meeting. It was assumed she had been called to a job.

15/06/42 County Councillor

Cllr David Lomax had nothing to report but was interested to hear about progress regarding the Community Centre lease.

15/06/43 Borough Councillor

Newly elected Cllr John Kappes was welcomed and the Parish Council's desire for a close working relationship with the Borough Councillors and two way exchange of information expressed. He acknowledged wishing to work closely with the Parish Council.

15/06/44 Open Forum

Red Kiosk/Defibrillator Stations - Mrs Linda Page reported BT's withdrawal of the Community Associations registration of interest to adopt the kiosks in Chinley and Buxworth, which needed to be carried out by a local authority or registered charity. She reported on fundraising so far, advised members that the Community Association was in the process of obtaining Charitable Status but this may not be achieved until after the unconfirmed Red Kiosk adoption deadline and confirmed that the assistance of the Parish Council to secure adoption for future re-assignment to the CA Registered Charity would be welcomed. She provided details of the five Red Kiosks in the Parish, all of which are available for adoption registration, for council to consider. Potential available funding from HPBC Mayor's Charity was raised and Cllr Wilson agreed to contact Julie Fawkes on behalf of the Community Association for advice on how and when to apply for this.

15/06/45 **Change to Order of Business**

RESOLVED: To bring item 6(c) Community Centre Lease forward in the order of business to be dealt with next.

15/06/46 **Community Centre Lease**

The meeting noted that Cllr Walton had approached DCC on the Parish Council's behalf in his professional capacity to request reconsideration of their earlier unacceptable offer of £15,000 for lease surrender.

Cllr Wilson read the three options presented in the letter dated 17th June 2015 from DCC, namely:

Option 1 - A full and final settlement of £27,000 to cover demolition, statutory fees and professional fees excluding hardstanding and floodlighting and with no maintenance provision;

Option 2 – Demolition forthwith by DCC;

Option 3 – DCC to serve notice on the Community Association to terminate their occupation, board the centre up and consider their options.

These were now in the public domain and Cllr Wilson agreed to provide a copy of the letter for the Community Association. A meeting would be arranged with the Community Association to discuss the letter.

None of the options as they stood was acceptable to the Parish Council

HPB Cllr John Kappes asked what had prompted the situation and received an outline of the history.

DC Cllr David Lomax queried the arrangement for potential asbestos risk and was advised that this would still need to be part of the negotiations.

The letter further provided DCC's justification for the offer of only £100 towards roadway repairs as being lack of prior notification of the work and lack of use of the road and building by DCC.

15/06/47 **Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on 21st May 2015.**

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 21st May 2015 be approved for signature of the Chair as a true and correct record.

15/06/48 **Chair's Progress Report**

The Chairman's report was received and noted that the format has been revised to focus on the agreed priority projects.

Both the Chairman and Clerk expressed their disappointment that launch of the website had still not been achieved and it was agreed that this be given higher priority. The Clerk suggested that a discussion with the Chairman to identify the minimum data required for loading to enable launch of the site might prove useful. Members were asked to provide a short personal resume for inclusion on the site. The Clerk to circulate a link to a similar site for inspiration.

The Chairman agreed to investigate arboricultural consultants from the Arboricultural Association list for the initial stage towards a comprehensive tree survey.

It was noted that the Clerk was continuing to press the contractor for completion of surface work to footpath 20 and initial preparation of the allotment site and the Squirrel Green lamp top had been repaired and was available for re-fitting.

15/06/49 **Clerk's Report**

The Clerk's report was received.

15/06/50 **Playground Inspection Reports**

The weekly playground and cycle facility Inspection Reports were received. Other than the signage still being required, the only issues noted as currently needing action were the gate spring replacement and bark top up at Buxworth, both of which were in hand. It was agreed that the signage would be given high priority.

The report from the RoSPA Annual Inspection carried out in May was received and discussed. An assessment of levels of risk was undertaken and it was agreed that only the following actions were required at this stage within the council's resources.

- Provide signage for the Skatepark (noted as in hand above).
- Top up bark chip at Buxworth (noted as in hand above).
- Replace worn chain bushes on cradle swing at Chinley.
- Fill in holes and repair surface of field in goal post area at Buxworth.
- Continue to monitor both Buxworth and Chinley playground's safety surfacing at weekly inspections with particular attention to requirement for repairs to damaged edges & cracking and cleaning of slippery surfaces. Investigate suitability of power washing for latter.

It was noted that no response had been received from HPBC regarding the Service Level Agreement and request for this to be for requested maintenance and repair only.

15/06/51 **Community Vision**

The Community Vision report was received, discussed and implications for the Parish Council considered. Comments/recommendations in the report relating specifically to the Parish Council include:

- the need to refurbish/rebuild the Community Centre;
- lack of physical access by the community to the parish noticeboard in Buxworth and keeping information up to date ;
- improvements to the parish newsletter to aid better publicity and communication ;
- Parish clerk possibly being the overall point of contact for the parish calendar;

- feeling of disengagement by Buxworth residents from the Parish Council, and holding some meetings in Buxworth ;
- the need for improved travel and physical links between Chinley and Buxworth (e.g pavement and Tramway improvements);
- Condition of Buxworth Recreation Ground and improvements to children's play facilities at Chinley and Buxworth.

RESOLVED: To continue to work with the Community Association in supporting refurbishment/rebuild of the Community Centre.

RESOLVED: To provide a noticeboard key, to be held at the Buxworth Memorial Club to enable appropriate shared use of the notice board by the community.

RESOLVED: To investigate the potential to hold some of the Parish Council meetings in Buxworth.

15/06/52 **Land Registry Title DY367662**

The meeting noted that adjustments to Land Registry Title for Chinley Playing Fields regarding access had been received and a request made for a copy of the indenture dated 21 October 1909 referred to in the register.

Cllr Walton will report further to the July meeting.

15/06/53 **Buxworth Allotments**

It was noted that the planning application for the relocated car park had arrived for consultation with Agenda Item 7 – Planning Applications. The contractor was being reminded to do the initial allotment site preparation work, following which quotes would be requested for fencing, to a specification to be provided by the General Purposes Group.

15/06/54 **HP Local Plan Examination Consultation**

The HP Local Plan examination consultation was received. It was agreed not to make a submission as there were no new issues affecting this Parish.

15/06/55 **Request for use of Parish Land**

The meeting received a request for use of Chinley Playing Field for the Chinley Summer Fete on 19th July 2015 and noted that the form had been issued for completion and Risk Assessment and Insurance documentation requested. It was agreed to grant this use subject to receipt of all the necessary documentation.

It was also noted that the Buxworth Village Olympics was scheduled to take place on 11th July 2015, but no land use request had been received. Cllr Smith volunteered to bring this to the attention of the Memorial Club and it was agreed to grant use of the required land subject to receipt of a request and all the necessary documentation.

15/06/56 **PDNPA Parish Member Ballot**

The ballot for the PDNPA Parish Member had been received and completed in accordance with the majority preference of members for Tony Favell and delivered to meet the short deadline given.

15/06/57 **Electronic Summons**

Members were invited to review their decisions regarding electronic summons and reminded that they could swap between electronic and postal summons to suit their needs. There were no changes to pre-election decisions of members re-elected and Cllr Graham Hewitt, new member from the election, opted to receive his summons electronically.

One postal summons was requested by Cllr Smith, all other members present requested Electronic summons.

It was noted that the Clerk would contact Stockport Computers to ascertain the password for wifi connection to enable members wishing to access information electronically at meetings to do so.

15/06/58 **Planning Applications**

The following planning applications were received and comments approved:

1. HPK/2015/0257 – Proposed erection of agricultural livestock building, Deacons Farm, Buxton Road, Chinley for Mr Longden. No objections
2. HPK/2015/0305 – Proposed single storey side extension to pavilion, Buxworth Cricket Club, Western Lane, Buxworth for Buxworth Cricket Club. Fully support these improvements to an important community facility.
3. HPK/2015/0296 – Proposed replacement of single story extension with two storey and construction of storage building, Hillcroft, Dolly Lane, Buxworth for Mr Shane Parry. No objections
4. NP/HPK/0615/0535 - Fodder Store extension to existing agricultural building, Valley View Farm, Hayfield Road, Chinley for Mr D Rogers. No objections.
5. HPK/2015/0274 – Proposed parking facility for allotments, land adjacent to Recreation Ground, Buxworth for Chinley, Buxworth & Brownside Parish Council. The Parish Council strongly supports this application. It is required in conjunction with the new public allotments in Buxworth. It has been necessary to find a new site for the car park because the Government's Oil & Pipelines Agency will not allow vehicular access to a car park in the original, approved location without undertaking prohibitively expensive engineering works to protect the underground pipeline. The current proposal, whilst still convenient for the allotments, will be less intrusive in the landscape and the green belt than the previous location.

15/06/59 **Accounts for Payment**

RESOLVED: That the accounts listed below be accepted for payment.

Chq no.	Payee	Description	Amount
DD	Talktalk	Broadband (June)	22.00
SO	Jackson Carpets Ltd	Rent 3 Lower Lane (Jun)	277.00
DD	Npower	Light/power 3 LL (June)	24.00
002427	C&B Transport group	Extra Funding - Planter	100.00
002428	Mrs B Wise	Clerks Account (June)	966.80
002429	HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE & NI (June)	233.13
002430	B.Woodcock	Internal Audit 2014/15	110.28
002431	S Drinkwater & Son Ltd	FOCP Ton bag Stone	31.20
002432	Jackson Carpets Ltd	Night Rate Electricity	374.49
002433	E-ON	Electricity Sq Green	29.14
002434	Plantscape	5 x 3-tier planter hire	1,074.00
002435	Playsafety Ltd	Annual Inspection Play'g	234.00
002436	HPBC	Election Admin charges	125.00
002437	2commune Ltd	Website Annual Licence	510.00
002438	Peartree Print	Stationery	25.50
002439	JPR Farm Direct Ltd	Hardwood Play Bark	239.40
		TOTAL	£ 4,375.94

15/06/60 **Newsletters**

The meeting was asked to consider the number and timing of newsletters for 2015/16 and noted that an as yet undetermined increase in the charge for posting out newsletters is expected and the budget contains only sufficient for printing and distributing two issues at the previous price. It was acknowledged that once the website was up and running a review of the frequency of the newsletter would be required

RESOLVED: To proceed initially with one edition in the Autumn to include Christmas event dates and review a potential second issue, once the new charge has been determined.

15/06/61 **Red Kiosk Adoption**

RESOLVED: To register interest in adopting all five of the Red Kiosks reported as being available to safeguard them for the future and enabling them to be passed to the Community Association in the future.

15/06/62 **Tree Work , Buxworth**

A quote for removal of unhealthy/dangerous trees at Buxworth was received.

RESOLVED: To accept the quote from Mark Appleby to remove a large Ash, Willow and Hawthorn plus scrub at a cost of £340.

15/06/63 **DALC – June 2015**

Circular 14/2015: DALC website sign in changes;
NALC Co-option Briefing;
Electronic Meeting summons;
Training Reminders - Transparency Code Requirements -
Big Lunch - NALC Procurement Toolkit - Connecting D
Vacancy (**Circulated**)

Local Councils Award Scheme – Workshop 21st July 2015

15/06/64 **Correspondence**

The following items of correspondence were received:

1. Chapel Mobile Physio Service – 2 copies of Annual Report 2014/15 and notice of AGM to be held Wednesday 24th June 2015 in the Thornsett Room at Chinley Independent Chapel at 7.30pm
2. 21C Joined Up Care North Derbyshire – information
3. DEFRA – forthcoming Secretary of State Member Vacancies on NPA and Broads A information
4. NCE Flood Management – dates for Flood Management Summit
5. RoSPA – Playsafety training course information.
6. DCC – Road Closures information.
7. DCC – Temporary speed limit on Hayfield Road notification (**Displayed**)
8. DCC- Portion Size Wise launch. (**Displayed**)
9. Ian Edgar – Road delineation at Bugsworth Basin info and Tramway site issue.
10. Chinley PS Headteacher – request for information regarding open ground near Peak School for potential parking use to assist with parking control issues. (**Referred to DCC**)
11. Buxworth Community Gala – invitation to meeting on Tuesday 7th July at 7pm at Buxworth Primary School to commence planning Buxworth Gala 2016.
12. DCC – notice of the next Parish and Town Council Liaison Forum on Monday 22 June from 5.45pm – 7.45pm.at County Hall.
13. NDVA – Network Newsletter
14. Tdgroup – notice of Armed Forces Day on Saturday 27th June 2015 plus kits offer.
15. Playdale – protect your park information.
16. DCC – Clean up project information
17. DCC – Street Lighting application invitation
18. DCC – Minor Maintenance Scheme reminder.
19. Cllr Ian Westall – resignation submission.
20. Ian Edgar – Road sign design information
21. RAD – promotion of National Rural Crime Survey and links for participation
22. HP CVS – invitation to make Buxton dementia friendly (**Displayed**)
23. Nikola Hughes – requesting 3/4 residents only parking spaces at the bottom of Station Road to go some way to alleviate problems resulting for loss of 10 parking spaces following the ‘over zealous double yellow lines offensive’.
24. Helping Hands Home Care – Cycling Service launch.

- 25. RAD – Village SOS campaign event 22nd July 2015
- 26. Cllr Caroline Howe – Belle Vue Chinley unsafe road condition issue first raised last year. (**Support sending of letter by Cllr Caroline Howe**)

15/06/65 **Standing Orders**

RESOLVED: To suspend standing orders to allow the meeting to continue.

15/06/66 **Reports from Working Groups/Council Representatives**

Friends of Chinley Park – Cllr Rofer reported that FOCP had Knotweed more or less under control and were happy to continue to deal with the current 58 plants. However they wished to advise that if the situation got worse next year, the Parish Council would need to arrange treatment.

There being no further business, the meeting was concluded at 9.35pm

Signed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

Chairman

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