

## MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN TICKNALL VILLAGE HALL ON 8<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2020

**Present:** Councillor Paul Colleyshaw (Chair), Councillor Christina Oppenheimer (Vice Chair)  
Councillor Nigel Picken, Councillor Susan Browne, Councillor David Meredith, Councillor Alan Buxton.

**Staff and Public in attendance:** District Councillor Kerry Haines, 2 members of the public and Celia Bunston (Clerk)

**2426/2020 Apologies:** None.

**2427/2020 Declaration of Members Interests:** No declarations were made.

**2428/2020 To receive and approve requests for dispensations from members on matters in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest.** No requests were received.

**2429/2020 Public Speaking:**

District Councillor Churchill and County Councillor Chilton sent apologies in order to attend other meetings.

a) District Councillor Haines

There is a major problem with fly tipping which has seen an increase of 40%. Please report any that is seen, and it will be taken away.

The emptying of green bins has been hit and miss in some areas recently. Collections are contracted out and with an uptake of an extra 10,000 houses which is an increase of 40% that the contractors are picking up on, it has been challenging.

The District Council Grant Scheme is still available for local groups.

There has been one physical Parish Council meeting held in the district with the remainder being held remotely on Teams.

b) A member of the public came to the meeting to let the Parish Council know that he has his own gardening business and would appreciate any work that the Parish Council has.

**2430/2020 To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2020**

**RESOLVED:** To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2020.

**2431/2020 Clerk's Report**

a) Refurbishment of the toilets in the village hall car park. The work is still not completed.

District Councillor Haines informed the meeting that SDDC are still waiting for a hand dryer which is on order. Councillor Colleyshaw said that there are two hand dryers in the toilets and these both being very old, would SDDC consider ordering a second new dryer. Councillor Haines said she would contact SDDC about this. Councillor Haines also said that SDDC had no plans to open their public toilets in the district yet. Councillor Oppenheimer stated that people were left with nowhere to go when they needed to use the toilets. Councillor Haines said she will contact SDDC with this and ask them to reconsider changing their policy and open the toilets.

b) Stile on High Street. The owner of the stile has completed some work.

c) Response from DCC regarding traffic restrictions opposite Ingleby Lane and Bantons Lane. There has been no response from DCC regarding this. It has been noticed that motorists are still parking opposite Ingleby Lane, making it difficult to turn into the lane.

**RESOLVED:** To put the matter onto the agenda for the next Parish Council meeting.

- d) Response from DCC regarding speed sign on bend on B5006. There has been no response from DCC on this matter. Councillor Haines said she would contact County Councillor Chilton about the sign.

**RESOLVED:** To put the matter on the agenda for the next Parish Council meeting.

- e) Risk Assessment – Covid 19: The Clerk has compiled a Risk Assessment, but stated that she has made an addition, which is that the Parish Council will take the names and contact numbers of members of the public that attend face to face meetings, for Track & Trace purposes.
- f) Financial Risk Assessment 2020-2021: The Clerk has updated the insurance details on the document.

**RESOLVED:** To adopt the Financial Risk Assessment 2020-2021.

- g) SDDC grant: The Parish Council has been informed by SDDC that grants can now be applied for by Parish Councils under the government's scheme to help Small Businesses that receive rate relief. SDDC is reconsidering the application that the Parish Council completed and will decide whether we will be awarded a grant by the end of September.

**RESOLVED:** To put the item onto the agenda for the next Parish Council meeting.

#### **2432/2020 Drainage**

- a) Responses from Mark Heysmond, STW and Derbyshire County Council  
Councillor Colleyshaw has received a response from Mark Heysmond updating him on the current situation.

Work has been done bit by bit. Burton road to Bantons Lane has had the culvert flushed out and is now running clear

Councillor Colleyshaw reported that at the meeting in February on Ashby Road, STW highlighted 3 areas where drainage will be repaired.

He noted thought that the gullies have recently been swept, but since then the pine needles from the Pine trees have dropped.

**RESOLVED:** To ask Alan Grist at SDDC to arrange for a road sweeper to come to pick up the needles to help to avoid the gullies becoming blocked, if necessary, the Parish Council will pay for the extra sweep.

Councillor Colleyshaw reported said that he is still waiting for a meeting with Mark Heysmond, STW and DCC regarding the drain at Stanton Hill.

#### **2433/2020 The Grange and pavilion**

- a) Review of Regular Use of The Grange Recreation Facilities rules.  
The Parish Council has received a letter from Ticknall Cricket Club proposing some changes to the rules. It was decided that these changes are much more complicated and need more thought.

**RESOLVED:** To meet with the club to discuss these in more detail and report back to the Parish Council.

- b) Request from Ticknall Cricket Club to waive fees for 2020-2021, with copy of accounts and subsequent letter dated 11<sup>th</sup> August, and further Parish Council request for grant information and loss of sponsorship.

The Treasurer of Ticknall Cricket Club provided accounts information and confirmed that the club has received a grant of £7500 from SDDC.

Councillor Meredith proposed, which was seconded by Councillor Buxton, and was agreed by all that the club should pay the full fees of £4275 and in return the Parish Council will award the club a grant of £2000. Councillor Oppenheimer said that although she agreed in principle, she was concerned that we had not received enough information regarding the club's finances.

**RESOLVED:** To send an invoice to the Cricket Club for the fees owed and make a grant of £2000 to the club.

- c) Letter from Ticknall Cricket Club about plans for girls changing room. This will be discussed with the Club at the next User's Meeting.

#### **2434/2020 Planning Matters**

- a) Planning Applications. None  
b) Planning Decisions:  
DMPA/2019/1114 – Single Storey outbuilding to accommodate gym and yoga studio at Slade House, Ticknall. GRANTED subject to 3 conditions.

**RESOLVED:** To note the planning decisions.

#### **2435/2020 Insurance Cover Quotations Received.**

Two quotations were received. The Parish Council agreed to accept the quotation from Zurich Insurance.

**RESOLVED:** To accept the quotation from Zurich Insurance.

#### **2436/2020 Finance**

- a) Receipts since last meeting:
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| HSBC – Bank Interest for July       | £0.10    |
| SDDC – Half year payment of Precept | £6225.00 |
| HSBC – Bank Interest for August     | £0.10    |
- b) Payments since last meeting:
- |   |                        |              |
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| C. Bunston–monthly payment for use of home-August                   | £26.00 SO              |              |
| 2Commune – web services for 2020-2021                               | £285.00, £57.00 VAT    | £342.00 BACS |
| Wayne Lawrence Elec (Contractors) Connect Defibrillator to Pavilion | £475.00, £95.00 VAT    | £570.00 BACS |
| Covex - Hand sanitiser and wall mounts                              | £261.54, £52.31 VAT    | £313.85 BACS |
| Tesco - Printing paper,   | £8.37, £1.68 VAT       | £10.05 BACS  |
| S. Buxton – Rose Garden maintenance                                 |                        | £60.00 BACS  |
| DALC – Risk Assessment Training                                     |                        | £20.00 BACS  |
| DALC – Risk Assessment Training                                     |                        | £40.00 BACS  |
| Adobe – Monthly cover for July                                      | £12.64, £2.53 VAT      | £15.17 VISA  |
| HP – Ink account for July   | £6.66, £3.33 VAT       | £7.99 VISA   |
| C.J. Lewis Printers – newsletter                                    |                        | £75.00 BACS  |
| Tesco (envelopes)   | £0.92, £0.18 pence VAT | £1.10 VISA   |
| C. Bunston – net pay for July                                       |                        | £273.38 BACS |
| Derbyshire County Council – pension payments for July               |                        | £70.31 BACS  |
| H. Brandon – cleaning pavilion, July                                |                        | £50.00 BACS  |
| E-on – Pavilion electricity to 22 July,                             | £241.60, £12.08 VAT    | £253.68 DD   |
| Heath Pest Control – 01.08.20-31.10.20,                             | £167.50, £33.50 VAT    | £201.00 BACS |
| O. Heap – Service Fire Alarm –                                      | 162.25, £32.45 VAT     | £194.70 BACS |
| WH Smith – Stationery – Paper Clips                                 | £1.56, £0.31 VAT       | £1.87 VISA   |

Adobe – Monthly cover for August £12.64, £2.53	£15.17 VISA
HP – Ink account for August £6.66, £1.33 VAT	£7.99 VISA
Sainsburys – Stationery – Filing wallets £1.25, £0.25p VAT	£1.50 VISA
Zurich Municipal – 2020-2021 Insurance	£987.22 BACS
C. Bunston – Net pay for August	£310.81 BACS
Derbyshire County Council – pension payments for August	£79.93 BACS
H. Brandon – cleaning pavilion for August	£50.00 BACS
S. Buxton – Garden maintenance, August	£40.00 BACS

c) Cashbook Balance at 31 <sup>st</sup> August 2020	
HSBC Current Account	£14762.94
HSBC Money Manager Account	£12185.39
HSBC Savings Account	£0.10
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£26948.43</b>
d) Payments for approval	
e) PKF Littlejohn LLP–Completion of Audit 2019-2020	
£200.00, £40.00 VAT	£240.00 BACS
Since agenda:	
Ferndale Garden Services – Strimming footpath No.14	£30.00 BACS

**RESOLVED:** To approve the payments.

f) Checking of invoices against agenda and against bank statement.

**RESOLVED:** To approve and sign the receipts against the bank statements at the next face to face meeting of the Parish Council, when Covid-19 restrictions have been lifted on the passing of paper copies from person to person.

#### **2437/20 Clerk's Salary Increase, £2.75%**

The Clerk informed the Parish Council that a 2.75% increase has been agreed, backdated to April 1<sup>st</sup> 2020.

#### **2438/2020 Correspondence:**

- a) Martin, Parwich Parish Council – 20mph speed limits.
- b) SDDC – Private Hire Licensing Policy

Councillor Browne has read the Private Hire Licensing Policy and found some anomalies. The Parish Councillors asked her to forward these to them and they will decide if these comments will be sent to SDDC.

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Browne will take this forward and to note the other correspondence.

#### **2439/2020 Derbyshire Association of Local Councils**

- a) Planning Consultations
- b) NALC & Government Guidance on holding remote meetings.

**RESOLVED:** To Note.

#### **2440/2020 Reports to Note: None**

#### **2441/2020 Reports from representatives to outside bodies and special duties.**

- a) Councillor Oppenheimer reported to the council that Dame Catherine Harpur School has reopened after concentrating on internal works during the summer. The nursery is full. The

Art Show which has been held in August every year for over 25 years, could not be held in the school this year due to the Covid 19 pandemic. It was decided to put this year's exhibition online, which proved to be very successful.

- b) Councillor Colleyshaw, the Parish Council's representative on the Ticknall Village Hall Committee made a report about the future of the village hall.

Ticknall Village Hall was set up as a charity 50 years ago which is outdated. A Charitable Incorporated (CIO) was agreed in 2019, which takes away the financial liabilities that the trustees of the village hall committee had previously.

It is run in the same way but with a more modern approach. Four to five years ago the hall wasn't able to sustain itself, with income from local organisations alone. The hall decided to hold twelve weddings a year for the books to balance. And since then the hall has been able to maintain the hall with a new kitchen, PA system and repairs to the car park etc.

The hall is now 30 years old and continuously requires maintenance. For example, the floor needs changing at a cost of £15000, and repairs to the roof etc will be needed.

Councillor Colleyshaw is also treasurer on the Village Hall Committee and he reported that at the beginning of this financial year there was £10,000 on deposit.

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, none of the 8 weddings that were booked have taken place. The Hall was given a Covid-19 grant from the government, and has £14,000 in the bank today. The Hall Committee has decided to keep on the hall manager.

The Village Hall Committee is very concerned about how it will survive in 2021. Councillor Colleyshaw asked the Parish Council if it wants to consider raising money on the Precept to fund the hall, so using the hall mainly for the parishioners benefit and relying less on weddings in the future.

Councillor Oppenheimer stated that she thinks the villagers would be in agreement in principle in supporting Ticknall's Village Hall, and that nobody wants the hall to fail.

Councillors Meredith, Buxton, Picken, Oppenheimer and Browne all agreed to supporting the village hall financially in principle. Councillor Meredith asked that if the Precept is raised, would the Village Hall accept less grant and support from the Parish Council in future, and the Parish Council use the money raised to spend on some other village needs, He also asked if the precept be reduced again in the future. The Precept can be raised and reduced by the Parish Council.

Councillor Colleyshaw said that in his role as treasurer of the Village Hall Committee, he would do some figures to work out exactly how much the Village Hall would need to keep afloat and present these to the Parish Council.

**RESOLVED:** The Parish Council agrees in principle to support Ticknall Village Hall financially, and will consider how to do this when accounts and figures to support this request from the hall are received.

**2442/2020 Date and time of next meeting.** Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November at 7.30pm.

**THE PRESS AND PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.**