

**MINUTES of the meeting of the GRASSMOOR, HASLAND AND WINSICK
PARISH COUNCIL held on 12 May 2004 at the Grassmoor Community Centre.**

PRESENT

Councillors I F Barlow, A H Booker, P Broadhurst, B Garbutt, Mrs E Greenall, Mrs P J Hemsley, Mrs B Hall, Mrs E A Hill and D Rowland.

Also in attendance: County Councillor D Chapman

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor C J Clarke.

- 55/04** **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN** **RESOLVED** that Councillor Mrs E A Hill be appointed as Chairman of the Parish Council for the ensuing year.

Councillor Mrs E A Hill (in the Chair)

- 56/04** **APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN** **RESOLVED** that Councillor Mrs P J Hemsley be appointed as Vice-Chairman of the Parish Council for the ensuing year.

Members of the Parish Council wished to place on record their thanks to the Chairman and Vice-Chairman for their effort and commitment in managing the affairs of the Parish Council over the last twelve months and in previous years.

- 57/04** **MINUTES RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 14 April 2004 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

58/04 **MATTERS ARISING**

- (a) **Sure Start Grant** (Minute No. 40/04 (a) refers)

The Chairman agreed to liaise with the District Council to choose the new play equipment for Winsick Park.

- (b) **New Play Equipment** (Minute No. 40/04 (b) refers)

It was reported that the Chairman had been contacted again by Mrs Armstrong regarding the problems in the Park. Mrs Armstrong had not however, made contact with the District Council regarding the noise problems to arrange for noise level tests to be carried out.

With regard to the problems of accessing the new equipment in cases of emergency with a stretcher, the Clerk had asked the District Council to look at this matter.

- (c) Grassmoor Golf Club (Minute No. 40/04 (d) refers) (Councillor I F Barlow declared an interest in this item)

It was reported that there were still rumours regarding future works at the Golf Club. No formal proposals had yet been put forward by the Club.

- (d) Radio Base Station (Minute No. 44/04 refers)

It was reported that Vodafone intended to make a formal planning application to site the radio base station on Avenue Farm, Grassmoor. It was noted that residents of Churchside had thanked the Parish Council for writing to them informing them of the proposals.

- (e) Atkinsons – North Wingfield Road (Minute No. 46/04 refers)

The Clerk reported that he had not received a response to the letters sent to the Enforcement Officer and the Environmental Health Officer regarding the above. It was noted that the Environmental Health Officer had visited neighbouring properties regarding the noise and dust problems. It was agreed that the Clerk write in strong terms regarding the lack of a response and also seeking an assurance that legal proceedings will be commenced immediately if the conditions are not met in full.

- (f) Former Avenue site (Minute No. 47/04 refers)

It was noted that there was no further progress to report in respect of the Avenue site. The present position with regard to the Grassmoor Lagoons was not known. The Clerk was asked to get an update from the County Council, in particular, whether any further correspondence had been received from the DTi.

- (g) Barnes Park – Gates (Minute No. 51/04 refers)

It was noted that Councillor Booker would be arranging a site visit with a gate manufacturer.

- (h) Village Signs (Minute No. 52/04 refers)

The Clerk had received some brochures on village signs. It was agreed that Councillors Barlow, Booker, Garbutt, Hemsley and Hill would meet at the conclusion of the meeting to choose the basic design for the signs.

It was suggested that the Parish Council should look at providing flowers/shrubs in the middle of the roundabout between Churchside and Grassmoor. The Clerk agreed to investigate.

- (i) Roadside Seats (Minute No. 53/04 refers)

It was noted that the Parish Council had not agreed to replace the seat on Mill Lane.

59/04 POLICE/PARISH LIAISON

PC Kerry Gough-MacMillan attended the meeting to update the Parish Council on crimes relating to the Parish which had occurred since the last meeting. It was noted that all those believed to be responsible for the problems with motorbikes had been spoken to by the Police and the situation appeared to have improved. The School had been given attention and no problems had been reported.

Drug activity had been reported in the area at the rear of the shops and flats on New Street and the Police were giving this matter attention. Needles had also been found on MacDonald Close. A group of youths had been using abusive language to local residents near Mill Lane.

It was pleasing to report that the District Council had obtained an injunction banning three individuals from certain areas in the New Street/MacDonald Close area. The injunction had been obtained using hearsay evidence only.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

60/04 COMMUNITY CENTRE REFURBISHMENT

The Clerk reported on the performance of the Community Centre. Once again it was pleasing to report that the Centre was being well used with the Café being very popular. The Management Committee would be monitoring the performance of the Centre as required by the funding organisations.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

61/04 PATIENT AND PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT FORUMS

Sue Glossop, Development Worker for the Patient and Public Involvement Forums for the Health Service, attended the meeting to inform the Parish Council of the work being undertaken in this area and also seeking volunteers to sit on the Forums.

RESOLVED that the presentation be noted.

62/04 PARKING – NORTH WINFIELD ROAD

The Clerk reported that complaints had been received that it was difficult to park near the shops in Grassmoor, particularly for disabled motorists, as vehicles belonging to shopkeepers were parking their during the day. The County Council had indicated that there was no easy solution to the problem that would satisfy all concerned. They would be happy to give their advice on the options available.

It was also agreed to ask the County Council's advice on how to solve the problems of vehicles parking on the pavement in front of the Chemists.

RESOLVED that the Clerk ask the County Council for their advice on these matters.

63/04 PLANNING MATTERS

(Councillor Mrs E A Hill declared an interest in this item and left the room during the discussion and voting on the planning items)

Councillor Mrs P J Hemsley (in the Chair)

The application for a change of use of bakery shop to a fast food take-away at 194 North Wingfield Road had been considered by the District Council and planning permission had been refused.

Similarly, the application for change of use from a barn to a dwelling at Philedelphia Farm, Birkin Lane had also been refused by the District Council.

RESOLVED that the report be noted;

Councillor Mrs E A Hill (in the Chair)

64/04 COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

The Clerk distributed details of the type of noticeboard that it was proposed would be erected in Grassmoor. The noticeboard would carry the County Council logo and it was agreed, the wording "Grassmoor Community Noticeboard". The Chairman and Vice-Chairman agreed to determine a suitable location for the noticeboard.

RESOLVED that the Chairman and Vice-Chairman agreed to determine a suitable location for the noticeboard.

65/04 DEINCOURT SCHOOL

The Clerk reported that a letter had been received Deincourt School seeking a donation towards the "Big Arts Month" project. The Parish Council had previously given a donation to similar projects organised by the school. It was agreed that a donation of £300.00 be made to the School.

RESOLVED that a donation of £300.00 be made to Deincourt School towards the costs of the "Big Arts Month".

66/04 FLY TIPPING – MILE HILL

It was reported that rubbish had not yet been cleared from Mile Hill. The Clerk agreed to report the matter again to the District Council.

RESOLVED that the Clerk report the matter to the District Council.

67/04 CONDITION OF ROADS

Concern was expressed at the condition of Broom Drive, Whitmore Avenue, Frederick Street, Vernon Rise and Henry Street. It was noted that Council Chapman had asked for these roads to be included in the road maintenance programme.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

68/04 COUNTRY PARK

Councillor Chapman agreed to ascertain when the new gate on the entrance to the Country Park would be fitted.

RESOLVED that Councillor Chapman take the matter up with the County Council.

69/04 PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

RESOLVED that approval be given for the payment of the following accounts:-

<u>CHQ NO.</u>	<u>PAYEE</u>		<u>AMOUNT</u>
SO	R Ackrill (Salary)	£	493.50
SO	K Hemsley (Salary)	£	114.72
SO	M Dovinson (Salary)	£	227.18
DD	E Mid Electricity (Pavilion Supply)	£	23.00
DD	Severn Trent Water (Pavilion Supply)	£	7.39
1822	Inland Revenue (Tax and NI)	£	236.77
1823	Glasdon (Commemorative Seat)	£	494.31
1824	NEDDC (Dog Bins)	£	114.10
1825	NEDDC (School Milk)	£	138.72
1826	R Hancock (Seat fitting)	£	170.00
1827	E A Hill (Telephone Allowance)	£	100.00
1828	Deincourt School (Donation)	£	300.00

Petty Cash Payments

15/04/04	Frank Berry Tyson	Envelopes/Stationary	£22.30
----------	----------------------	----------------------	--------

.....
Chairman

