

MINUTES of the meeting of the GRASSMOOR, HASLAND AND WINSICK PARISH COUNCIL held on 9 March 2005 at the Grassmoor Community Centre.

PRESENT

Councillor Mrs E A Hill (in the Chair)

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

One member of the public attended the whole meeting. Four other members of the public attended specifically for the Police/Parish liaison item.

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors C J Clarke.

Declarations of Interest –Councillor Mrs E A Hill declared a prejudicial interest in the item relating to Planning Matters (Minute No.44/05). Councillor B Garbutt declared a prejudicial interest in the item relating to Atkinsons (Minute No. 41/05). In both cases, all parties withdrew from the meeting and took no part in the discussion and voting.

37. **MINUTES RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 9 February 2005 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

38. **MATTERS ARISING**

(a) **TV Licence Scheme** (Minute No. 27/05 refers)

The Clerk agreed to produce some posters advertising the changes to the Scheme.

(b) **Dog Fouling** (Minute No. 28/05 refers)

The Clerk reported that he had received an email from the Dog Warden indicating that they were aware of the problems and that they would be giving the matter attention. It was agreed that the Warden be asked to provide the Parish Council with an update on progress made.

(c) **Chapman Lane - Rubbish** (Minute No. 29/05 refers)

The Chairman had reported the rubbish problem on Chapman Lane to the District Council. IT was noted that Mr Singh had been told by the District Council's Environmental Health Department to clear the rubbish from the front of the Little Baker. It was reported that there was a considerable amount of rubbish also at the rear of the premises. The Clerk agreed to ask Mr Singh to have it removed.

Concern was expressed at the general level of litter and rubbish which accumulated on North Wingfield Road, particularly near the shops. The Streetcleaner gave the area as much attention as possible. It was agreed that the Street cleaner be offered an additional 4 hours per week to help solve the problem. The Clerk agreed to check with Matthew and if he was agreeable his revised hours could commence as soon as possible.

(d) Fallen Down Wall (Minute No. 32/05 refers)

The District Council had advised that they had inspected the wall and had concluded that it did not present a danger. The Parish Council expressed concern that there were gas bottles on the premises which the fallen down wall gave easy access to. The Clerk agreed to advise the District Council of this matter.

39. POLICE/PARISH LIAISON

PC Kerry Gough-McMillan attended the meeting to update the Parish Council on crimes committed in the area since the last meeting. Four local residents also attended the meeting to express their continuing concerns at the anti-social behaviour of youths on the North Wingfield Road. Despite the police giving the matter attention the problems persisted.

PC Gough-McMillan indicated that she was aware of the continuing problems and was taking steps to deal with those responsible, including gathering evidence in order that ASBOs and a Dispersal Order could be considered. To date 27 nuisance letters had been issued to individuals, 17 of whom lived in North Wingfield.

It was agreed that the Parish Council write to Inspector Durham to request an urgent meeting with representatives of the Parish Council and local residents. It was also agreed that the Clerk write to Chief Superintendent Kelly and the Chief Constable to complain about the problems.

It was reported that there had been several house burglaries in the Parish recently. The Clerk agreed to write to the Pentagon Unit to express concern about the problem.

It was pleasing to report that PC Gough-McMillan was remaining on the area car that covered Grassmoor.

RESOLVED that (a) the report be noted; and

(b) the Clerk write to Inspector Durham requesting an urgent meeting regarding the anti-social behaviour problems.

(c) the Clerk also write to Chief Superintendent Kelly and the Chief Constable over the problems; and

(d) the Clerk write to the Pentagon Unit regarding the recent spate of burglaries in Grassmoor.

40. GRASSMOOR COMMUNITY CENTRE

It was reported that the Community Centre had repaid the Parish Council loan in the sum of £50,086 including interest.

Plans were advancing for the Youth Consultation Day, the provisional date of which had been set for Sunday 11 September 2005. A grant of £1,500 had been received towards the costs of the Day from the County Council.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

41. ATKINSONS – NORTH WINGFIELD ROAD

It was reported that the Parish Council had received a letter from local residents regarding on-going problems at the site. The Clerk had taken photographs of the work taking place on the south side of the site contacted the District Council to ask them to look in to the matter. The residents also complained of noise problems.

The District Council had reported that an inspection of the site had revealed minimal storage within the prohibited area which did not appear to be in breach of the Enforcement Notice.

The recently opened conservatory showroom is however, in breach of planning control and steps were being taken to resolve this matter. The Environmental Health Department had been asked to monitor the noise levels emanating from the site.

The Clerk had also invited Mr Atkinson to attend a meeting with the Parish Council and local residents to try to find an amicable solution to the on-going problems. To date no response had been received.

RESOLVED that (a) the report be noted; and

(b) the actions of the Clerk in contacting the District Council and in arranging the meeting with Mr Atkinson be ratified.

42. MILL LANE ALLOTMENTS

The Clerk presented a draft lease agreement with the Allotment Association. It was agreed that the period of the lease be of 5 years duration. The Parish Council deferred consideration of the detail of the lease until the next meeting to give Councillors the opportunity to examine it in detail.

RESOLVED that a decision on the lease be deferred until the next meeting of the Parish Council.

43. BARNES PARK GATES AND DISABLED ENTRANCE

The Clerk reported that he had not received the designs for the new gates but they had been promised for the next meeting. The idea of having a disabled access to the Park at the main entrance was not as simple as first thought owing to the sloping entrance to the Park. The Chairman and Clerk had met Lindale Designs on site who were specialists in disability ramps to ask them to look at a suitable design. The matter would be considered further at the next meeting.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

44. PLANNING MATTERS

Councillor Mrs P J Hemsley (in the Chair)

The Clerk reported on the following planning application received since the last meeting;

Application No.	Description	Comments/objections/Material considerations
05/0022/OL (Mr D Sangha)	Residential Development of up to 40 affordable houses - outline	In terms of material considerations, the Council objects to the application on the grounds of:- ? highway safety relating to the access to the site on Birkin Lane ? traffic generation arising from the development The Parish Council also has concerns that the development will lead to a lessening of the boundary between Grassmoor and Tupton.

It was reported that the planning appeal submitted by Mr P Booth for the construction of a detached dwelling on land adjoining Churchside Farm, Churchside, had been dismissed.

RESOLVED that (a) the report be noted;

(b) comments be made to the District Council as detailed above in respect of application 05/0022/OL.

Councillor Mrs E A Hill (in the Chair)

45. GROUNDS MAINTENANCE CONTRIBUTIONS 2005/2006

The Clerk reported that the cost of the grounds maintenance contributions for 2005/2006 was £3,061.00.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

46. NORTH EAST DERBYSHIRE COMMUNITY STRATEGY

The Clerk presented for Member's attention, the North East Derbyshire Community Strategy.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

47. ROUNABOUT FLOWER BEDS

The Clerk reported that the Golf Club may be interested in sponsoring the provision of flower beds on the roundabout between Churchside and Grassmoor. If they did not wish to do so, the Parish Council would give consideration to sponsoring the flowers.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

48. PAVEMENTS – CHAPMAN LANE

Concern was expressed over the condition of the pavements on Chapman Lane and North Wingfield Road. The Clerk agreed to report the matter to the County Council.

RESOLVED that the Clerk report the condition of the footpaths to the County Council.

49. PARKING ON VERGES – BIRKIN LANE AND SMITHY PLACE

It was reported that cars were parking on the verges of Smithy Place and Birkin Lane ruining the grass. The Clerk agreed to report the problem to the District Council who maintained the verges.

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

50. WATER HYDRANT METERS

It was reported that the water hydrant meter cover outside 8 Oak Road was broken. The Clerk agreed to report the problem to the Water Authority.

RESOLVED that the Clerk report the problem to the Water Authority.

51. BUS SHELTER

The Chairman reported that a request had been received for sides to be put on the bus shelter outside the Boot and Shoe. The Clerk agreed to investigate the cost of providing a new shelter and to see if 50% grants were still available from the County Council.

RESOLVED that the Clerk look into the costs of replacing the bus shelter outside the Boot and Shoe.

52. GRIT BIN – VERNON RISE

It was noted that the grit bin on Vernon Rise needed refilling.

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

53. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

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)	£498.51
SO	K Hemsley (Salary)	£117.28
SO	M Dovinson (Salary)	£262.29
SO	C Winnard (Salary)	£125.20
DD	E Mid Electricity (Pavilion Supply)	£23.00
DD	Severn Trent Water (Pavilion Supply)	£9.71
1901	I Walton (TV Licence Scheme)	£74.20
1902	Inland Revenue (Tax & NI)	£359.79
1903	NEDDC(Trade Refuse)	£131.98
1904	Derbyshire County Council (Grit Bins)	£56.40
1905	R Ackrill (Reimbursement – Miscellaneous items)	£58.47
1906	R W Marriott (Newsletters)	£200.00
1907	I Walton (TV Licence Scheme)	£74.20

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Chairman