

Cheddleton Parish Council

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE CRAFT CENTRE
MEETING ROOM, CHEDDLETON ON TUESDAY, 17th. JULY 2018.**

ATTENDANCE Chairman – Councillor M.P. Worthington.

Vice-Chairman – Councillor M.T. Bowen.

Councillor – M. Ahmad, J.G. Arnold, Ms. C.Y. Ball, J. Carr, G.J.R Furnival,
Mrs. D.A. Hartley, K. Harvey, Mrs. B Hine, H.R. Jennings, Mrs. C.M. Meyrick,
Mrs. A. Oakden, S. Scalise, H.J. Tunna.

APOLOGIES No Apologies were received.

4973 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the 19th. June 2018, taken as read and were confirmed as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chairman.

4974 MATTERS ARISING THEREFROM

Re. Min. 4955. Public Question Time Councillor Bowen, reported that he had spoken to Steve Massey at SMDC with regards to the question about the trees at Beech Avenue which back on to the Playing Fields and he will take a look and report back.

Re. Min. 4963. Quote – To fit block out vinyl to 10 Windows – Creche, Community Centre Councillor Furnival stated that unfortunately he wasn't going to be able to spare the time to get quotes or do the job at the moment.

4975 ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman asked the members of the Planning committee to stay behind at the end of the meeting to consider six planning applications.

4976 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were three members of the public present a question was raised from the two hirers of the pottery room in the Old School, Mr. & Mrs. Laverick who had come to ask about the termination of the hire agreement. It was explained that the decision had already been made and could not be debated further. They were wanting to explain the position which was that no requests had been made by the Council to do anything to the room. The Chairman suspended standing orders as he felt it was a difficult position that it can't be put on the agenda for 6 months but that notice given to end the agreement was only 3 months, no Councillors offered a solution. After listening to Mrs. Laverick, it was pointed out by Councillor Jennings although he was interrupted, that they have a duty of care to look after the premises and adhere to health and safety which after inspection it was felt that they hadn't. At this point Mr. & Mrs. Laverick left the meeting. The third member of the public, Mr. Woodward wanted to raise questions about Park Lane. He had written to the Council twice with regards to issues and felt that his part of the village was being overlooked. The Chairman explained that the Pot Holes he had spoken about had been reported to S.C.C. and had been worked on. He also raised issues about fires at Deep Hayes Country Park, No Road Markings and Road Signs missing which the Chairman agreed would be put on the next agenda but in the mean time the clerk would write to Helen Fisher raising these issues with S.C.C. He also mentioned water on Park Lane where the drains and manhole appear to be overgrown not allowing water to escape.

4976 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (cont'd)

He also raised the question of the Notice Board on Park Lane not being used by the Parish Council as he wanted to know when meeting take place and rarely drives into the village. It was agreed to look into this to see if it could be used in the future as the New Clerk wasn't aware of it.

4977 MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None were declared.

4978 MEMBERS' SEC. 33 DISPENSATION REQUESTS

None had been received.

4979 ASYLUM BURIAL GROUND- QUOTE TO POWDER COAT THE GATES AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE CEMETARY

The quote had been received for £1140 plus V.A.T. The chairman felt that this has been in abeyance for long enough so Councillor Mrs. Hine proposed to go ahead and this was seconded by Councillor Mrs. Meyrick. A vote was taken and a majority vote was recorded with 1 abstention. So it was agreed to go ahead with the works as soon as possible.

4980 UPDATE – TO FIT BLOCK OUT VINYL TO 10 WINDOWS – CRECHE, COMMUNITY CENTRE

Councillor Furnival had already notified the Members that he hadn't been able to sort anything out and wouldn't have the time to do so in the future so suggested that perhaps they go with the original quote. This was proposed by Councillor Scalise and seconded by Councillor Jennings. A vote was taken and resulted in a majority with 1 abstention so it was agreed to go with Sherwin Rivers quote for £299 plus V.A.T. With a view to looking at the blinds after this has been done.

4981 UPDATE – ZIP WIRE – CHEDDLETON PLAYING FIELDS

The Clerk updated that as yet there was no quotes to repair the platform and runway and the only quote that has been obtained so far was to replace it which was for £7454 including installation plus V.A.T. The clerk explained that there was another company who were also going to provide a quote but as yet it hasn't been received. It was agreed to await a further quote as the insurance required at least two quotes.

4982 GRASS FIRE – CHEDDLETON PLAYING FIELDS

Councillor Bowen reported that at least one of the fires was started by a resident who decided to burn some garden rubbish. Councillor Scalise wants to get the residents involved in the decisions being made about the playing field. Councillor Meyrick said they had a residents committee previously which at first people got involved in and now there are two members left who form part of the playing fields committee. It is felt that there is also a lack of Police presence to which the clerk notified members that she had spoken to and emailed Andy the PCSO who had been on holiday and wasn't aware of what had been happening. Councillor Bowen had tried to discuss the matter with Mark Thorley the Chief Inspector but will follow this up about what the Police are going to do. Councillor Harvey mentioned Neighbourhood Watch to which Councillor Bowen stated that he had been involved in setting up Neighbourhood Watch around the village previously and after a while people do not get involved.

4983 CHEDDLETON PLAYING FIELD – LEAFLET RESIDENTS

Councillor Scalise wants to make residents aware of the cost to keep replacing the equipment and get them involved in making the decisions. He suggested to invite residents to a public consultation meeting to see if anyone shows any interest in the playing fields. If nobody turns up then it seems a waste of time to keep replacing equipment that they don't seem to want. He also raised the point that the Playing Fields Committee hasn't got its full quota of members. It was agreed that Councillor Scalise and Councillor Bowen will come up with a leaflet/letter to inform residents with a view to having a meeting. It was agreed that the next item on the agenda had already been covered.

4984 PLANNING DEPARTMENT, S.M.D.C. – PRESENCE OF PLANNING OFFICERS

Councillor Bowen reported that since Rob Weaver had left the agreement to have officers at Moorlands House to help with planning queries seems to have been forgotten. He will follow this up.

4985 SITING OF THE OLD SIGN FOR THE BRIDGE

It was previously discussed with Batemans that they would re-site the sign but it was agreed that this would be left in abeyance for now.

4986 COALPITFORD LANE – POTHOLES Councillor Bowen had been approached by a resident who was unhappy that S.C.C. seem to of only done part of the road. All potholes had been marked up with white markings over a year ago to which the half they haven't done the markings are fading. It was agreed to send a letter to Helen Fisher at S.C.C. to follow this up.

4987 S.L.C.C. – 2018 NATIONAL CONFERENCE, LINCOLNSHIRE 10th/11th OCTOBER 2018

The Clerk raised that booking a place at the conference would be really appreciated and that booking early is less expensive so it was proposed by Councillor Mrs. Hine and seconded by Councillor Bowen and agreed that the Clerk should attend and the Council will pay the costs.

4988 PAYMENT OF THE AUGUST ACCOUNTS

As there is no scheduled meeting in August it was agreed the Clerk is to pay the Accounts.

4989 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OUTSIDE BODIES

The Council examined the reports of the following committees and adopted their recommendations:-

a. Cheddleton Playing Field Committee Meeting

Re. Min 775. Overgrowth/width of the public footpath 1988 from Rennie Crescent to Grange Farm Councillor Mrs. Meyrick asked what Andy Gimbert was going to do and Councillor Scalise explained that there was hump in the middle of the path so he was going to level it out and look at the steps but that it was of no cost to the Council.

b. Planning & Amenities Committee Meeting

Re. Min 2463. - Protecting the Council's Property/Assets Councillor Meyrick mentioned an article in the paper about how much Councils are selling off and that this does seem cause for concern.

Re. Min 2467. – Noisy Manhole Cover & Parked Car by the Institute – A520 Cheddle Road, Cheddleton Councillor Tunna reported that the works had been completed.

4989 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OUTSIDE BODIES (cont'd)

c. Burial Ground Committee Meeting

Re. Min 972. – Dog Fouling – St. Edward’s Lawn Cemetery The Clerk reported that she had written to the dog owner who had responded by telephone explaining that the dog is almost blind and she has to take it everywhere with her. She had explained previously to Basil but said that she quite understood that the problem of Dog Fouling exists and will report if she sees anyone on the cemetery.

d. Reports of Outside Bodies

Cautionary Lands Charity Meeting Councillor Jennings attended the meeting and reported that they made a site visit to Bridge Eye which was looking very impressive and that they are going to replace the picnic table as it is rotten. Batemans are doing the pipe and maintenance to the sundial. Also they are going to replace the seat by the road. At Wetley Rocks they are to remove a tree. The next Meeting is to take place 11th October 2018.

e. S.M.D.C. Councillor Bowen reported that the Section 106 agreement is not likely to go ahead as he had been informed that the Industrial Units at Leekbrook are most likely to be deemed non-viable. He attended the LGA and this seems to be the case that is happening all over, that after removal of the Section 106 it will still go ahead as developers are using this as a weapon to pull out.

4990 ACCOUNTS

4991 CORRESPONDENCE

- a. C.R.P.E. Fracking Petition – No further action required .
- b. Bruno Peek WW1 Ringing out of Peace – Requesting other churches to take part so it was forwarded to Councillor Ms. Ball as a bell ringer of St. Edwards Church Cheddleton so that they can be registered as taking part.
- c. EDF Energy – The Craft Centre Complaint compensation – Confirmation that £30 has been credited to the Electric Account because of the late start of billing the Council. The Clerk reported that this has more than covered the deficit.
- d. S.P.C.A.- New Clerk Induction Course – 25th. July 2018. – Confirmation that the clerk is has booked for the course at a cost of £80. Which will be billed after the course.
- e. S.C.C – Temporary Traffic Regulation Order – Ox Pasture, A520 Cheadle Road & Hollow Lane – Diversion which will take place on 13th August 2018 until 31st August 2018 when it is expected that works will be complete.
- f. Amey – Report 4129752 – Manhole on A520 Cheadle Road, Cheddleton outside Old Institute. Confirmation of logging the issue but this has already been completed as in the minutes.
- g. Amey – Report 4129783 – Manhole on A520 Leek Road, Wetley Rocks at the entrance to Oaklands Road. Confirmation of logging the issue.

- h. Amey – Report 4129785 – Manhole on A520 Cheadle Road, Cheddleton at the entrance to Rock End Drive. Confirmation of logging the issue.
- i. S.M.D.C. – Linden Vernon – Capital Grants for Rural Areas in Staffordshire Moorlands. Councillors to consider at a later date.
- j. Mr. & Mrs. Laverick – Letter in response to Letter from The Council 28th. June. 2018. Already been discussed.
- k. S.M.D.C. – Steve Massey – Email Response to Letter from The Council 28th. June. 2018. Already been discussed that Councillor Bowen had spoken to him.
- l. CPRE – Campaign Update. Should anyone require any further details to ask the clerk.
- m. SLCC – 2018 National Conference 10th & 11th October 2018. Already agreed to pay for the clerk to attend.
- n. Douglas Macmillan Hospice – Magazine and Donation Request. There was no interest shown.
- o. Amey – Report 4061123 – Pothole Cheadle Road, Wetley Rocks. Closed as complete.
- p. Kompan Ltd – Quote to replace Wooden Platform of Zip Wire, Cheddleton Playing Fields. Already covered under agenda item.
- q. Arctec – Terry Corden – Quote to powder coat for Asylum Burial Ground Gates. Already covered under agenda item.
- r. Creative Signs – Quote to produce new sign for St. Edwards Lawn Cemetery. Forward agenda item.
- s. Amey – Report 4130596 – Services Grid Cover, 7, Leek Road, Cellarhead. Confirmation of logging the issue.
- t. EON Energy Solutions – Diane Jackson – Station Road, Lighting. Acknowledgment of request for lighting but this is not covered by them.
- u. SPCA – Councillor Training Course – Tuesday, 11th September 2018 at Stafford. No interest was shown.
- v. SCC – Glynn Hook – Station Road, Lighting. In response to request for additional street lighting confirming that there is no funding available.

4992 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME There were no members of the public present.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed.

Chairman
21st. August 2018.