

## ELMTON WITH CRESWELL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council held on Thursday 27 November 2014  
in the Cavendish Room, Social Centre, Creswell

**Present:** Cllr. R. Glassey (Chairperson)  
Cllr. D. McGregor (Vice-Chairperson)  
Cllrs. R. Turner, C. Gilfillan (from 3.50pm), E. Glassey, P. Colbert, J. Clifton,  
N. Sanders and S. Smith.

**In Attendance:** R. Nunn (Clerk/RFO), H. Hankinson (Clerical Assistant)

**Press:** None present.

**Bolsover Police:** PCSO Jen Salmon

**Public:** 1 member of the public present.

### 80. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A member of the public raised concerns about the amount of litter around the village now that the usual street cleaner had retired. Cllr. Clifton confirmed that he had already made enquiries with Bolsover as to the situation regarding a replacement member of staff and he was still awaiting a response. Cllr. McGregor suggested that whilst the Highways are the direct responsibility of the County Council, the Parish Council should seek to raise public awareness of this issue within the village.

### 81. BIG LOCAL – Sue Pond

Sue Pond, newly appointed 'Development Co-ordinator' for the Big Local, introduced herself to the Council and explained her position and responsibilities within the group and some of the ideas that the Community have now pulled together as ways of making good use of the £1 million allocated. Sue reminded the Committee that the 'Big Local' meetings normally take place at 6.00pm on the last Tuesday of the month at 'Dicks' – everyone welcome.

The Council thanked Sue for attending the meeting stating that they were happy to hear that things were finally moving forward and are more than happy to work alongside the Big Local in its ventures.

### 82. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr. P. Richardson.

### 83. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following declarations of interest were made.

Min no. 91	Cllr. D. McGregor	Level 1
	Cllr. R. Turner	Level 1
	Cllr. J. Clifton	Level 1

### 84. MOTIONS TO VARY ORDER OF BUSINESS

Cllr. McGregor requested that Item 12 on the agenda (Neighbourhood Plans) be brought forward subject to time as he would have to leave by 4.30pm.

### 85. POLICE REPORT

PCSO Jen Salmon introduced herself as the replacement for PCSO Dave Mitchell who had now moved to Chesterfield. She updated the Council on the following statistics in comparison with the same time last year.

- There had been no shoplifting in Creswell during the period.
- Burglaries (other than dwelling) - 5 compared to 1 last year (resulting in 4 arrests).
- Burglaries of dwellings 2 - same as last year.
- Criminal Damage - down to 3 compared to 7 last year.
- Theft up 16 compared to 9.

Overall figures were up - 32 compared to 21 last year.

Cllr Colbert requested that the monthly Police Report followed up previously raised issues where appropriate.

## 86. COUNTY COUNCIL REPORT

Cllr. McGregor gave a verbal report highlighting the following:

- The County Council are looking to make savings of £157 million and consideration was being given to services such as school crossing controls and community transport.
- Still awaiting details and figures relating to Street Lighting.

Cllr. Colbert asked Cllr McGregor if he would raise his concerns about the future of Community Transport if funding was cut.

## 87. DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT

Cllr. McGregor reported on a recent planning application within the District for 6 wind turbines to be erected. He stated that the application had been rejected by the Council and following an appeal it has now been sent to Eric Pickles MP for him to make the final decision.

## 88. DELEGATE REPORTS – OPEN SPACES

Cllr. Glassey gave a progress report on those projects for which the Parish Council are applying for funding and also some possible ideas for future funding applications.

The in house Maintenance Team have cleared the foot path at the side of the Cemetery and also installed a new water pipe and stand pipe in the back area of the Cemetery.

At the last meeting it was agreed that Cllrs. R. Glassey and S. Smith undertake an inspection of all the sports facilities in the Parish. Cllr Smith reported that the Multi-sport building and Markland changing rooms had been inspected and drew attention to the following.

### **Markland Changing rooms**

- Three of the four changing rooms appeared not to have been used recently but were not particularly clean. The remaining changing room was extremely dirty appearing to have been left after having been used and was not in a fit state to be used again.
- It was noted that there was flaking paint on some of the ceilings and some of the roof tiles were damaged.

### **Multi- Sports**

- A number of issues were raised with regard to this building raising concerns about how the building was being used, the way it was being looked after, the general state of cleanliness and possible legal compliance matters.

Councillors expressed serious concerns about the findings of the report and agreed that a regular inspection regime had to be introduced and that any questions about legal compliance needed to be resolved. Cllr. R. Glassy thanked Cllr. Smith for presenting the report and also asked that the Councils thanks be given to our two cleaning members of staff who had work hard at bringing the building back to an acceptable standard.

**ACTION CLERK**

Cllr Colbert asked for an update of the revamped Parish Website. Mrs Hankinson reported that she had hoped that the new website would have been ready to go live several weeks ago however due to serious IT problems in the office this had not been possible. The proposed go live date should be sometime within the next two weeks. Cllr. Colbert asked that the Parish Council to establish a policy for future updating and revisions to the Website **ACTION CLERK**

## 89. TO APPROVE THE MINUTES

The minute of the meeting held on 23 October were agreed as a correct record. Cllr. Smith approved seconded by Cllr. E. Glassey. All in were in favour. **APPROVED**

Following the previous meeting the Clerk reported that he had the 3 quotes for the repair to the Port-a-cabin roof at Markland. It was agreed to proceed with the lowest quote. Cllr. Sanders moved, seconded by Cllr. Smith. **APPROVED**

## 90. FINANCIAL MATTERS

### i) To Approve the Financial Statement for October 2014

The Clerk gave an overview of the figures in the October statement and answered several questions about variances.

Cllr. R. Glassey raised the question of training for the maintenance team. The Clerk stated that training plans were being prepared for all members of staff which would include mandatory training as a priority. **ACTION CLERK**

### ii). Approval for Payments.

The application for November payments was circulated to members and Cllr. Clifton moved, seconded by Cllr. Turner that these accounts be approved. **MOTION CARRIED**

## 91. PLANNING

The Clerk read out the planning applications that have been approved by Bolsover Planning Department.

14/00349 - Development of Solar Farm, Elmton  
 14/00529 – Tree works - 158 Skinner Street, Creswell  
 14/00515 – Tree works – 152 Skinner Street, Creswell  
 14/00540 – Variation to 13/00497 – Crown Mews, Creswell

No issues were identified.

## 92. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANS

Cllr. McGregor reminded the Parish Council that Bolsover District Council are in the process of preparing a local plan and that a Parish Council respond highlighting those issues they wished to be included had to be submitted by Friday 28 November. Following discussion a number of issues were identified and it was agreed that the clerk communicate these by e-mail to meet the deadline. **ACTION CLERK**

## 93. CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk read out the following correspondence.

- Nottinghamshire Minerals local Plan – additional consultation.

- The Clerk had been informed by Derbyshire County Council that they cannot authorise the installation of a new bus shelter on Bullivant Avenue Creswell due to the narrow width of the footway at this site. Cllr. McGregor undertook to pursue this with the County Council.  
**ACTION CLLR. MCGREGOR**
- A letter from Jason Moon, Parish Sports Couch requesting funding of £135 for equipment to enable him to start Kwik Cricket after school sessions at the Creswell Infants school. Cllr. Smith approved, seconded by Cllr. E. Glassey.  
**APPROVED**
- An enquiry has been received from Woodsett's Cricket Club asking if they were able to use the Creswell Cricket ground for the 2015 season. After discussion it was agreed that subject to there being no conflict with the fixtures for Creswell Cricket Club that the request be supported.
- A letter of thanks has been received from Help the Heroes for the donation raised at the 13 September event.
- A letter of thanks has been received from the trustees of the South Yorkshire Air Museum for the Parish Councils donation.
- Following an unannounced food hygiene inspection, Bolsover District Council had issued a very favourable report and that the food hygiene rating for the Social Centre has been maintained at five. The Council asked that the Clerk to pass on its thanks to Mrs Watson for the positive outcome.  
**CLERK**