

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD
THURSDAY 23 FEBRUARY 2017 IN THE CAVENDISH ROOM IN THE SOCIAL CENTRE
COMMENCING AT 2.45.PM.**

Present: Cllrs. S. Smith (Chairman), D. McGregor, J. Clifton, P. Colbert, C. Gilfillan,
E. Glassey, K. Jones, P. Richardson, N. Sanders, R. Turner and J. Wells.

In attendance: R. Nunn (Clerk), H. Hankinson (Assistant to the Clerk).
3 members of the public were present.

126. Public Participation

A member of the public attended the meeting and asked several questions about the Leisure Centre at Clowne which has replaced the one at Creswell, in particular admission charges. Cllr. McGregor responded to his concerns.

He also asked if he could receive a copy of the Parish Councils monthly accounts. It was agreed that a copy would be made available at the office the following day. **Action Clerk**

127. Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies.

128. Declarations of Interest

Cllr. Turner – Item 138 Planning Level 1.

129. Shale Gas Exploration – INEOS

The meeting was attended by representatives acting for INEOS Upstream Ltd. They were requesting permission to undertake seismic surveys on Parish Council land in particular at Markland Campus. The Chairman thanked the representatives for attending the meeting and it was agreed that the Council discuss the matter at a later point in the meeting.

130. Limestone Journeys

Andy Heath attended the meeting to give a progress report on the Archaeological way and to request funding support of £1500 from the Parish Council. The Council are in general supportive of the project and agreed to consider the request for financial assistance at the next meeting. **March Agenda**

131. Bolsover Police Report

No members of the Police were present.

132. Motions to Vary Order of Business

None.

133. District Council Report

Cllr. McGregor reported the following:

- Council Tax increase for Bolsover District Council.
- Council housing reducing by 1%.
- Bolsover District Council's aspiration is to build 100 Council houses within the Bolsover District by the end of the term of the current council.

134. County Council Report

- Savings required for the next financial year – £34 million.

Cllr. Colbert asked Cllr. McGregor if he could pass on his concerns to the County Council regarding contractors accessing the Junior School via the Social Centre car park during the forthcoming building works. **Action Cllr. McGregor**

136. To approve the Minutes of:

Parish Council Meeting 26 January 2017

The minutes of the meeting held on 26 January 2017 were approved as a correct record subject to the following amendment – Item 124/125 to omit the words “All in favour”.

Cllr. McGregor moved, seconded by Cllr. Glassey.

Motion Carried

The Clerk reported that he had written to the Police Commissioner who confirmed that the Parish Council concerns should be directed to the local Police Commander as this was an operational matter. The Clerk also reported that the Police Commissioner intended visiting all Towns and Parishes within the County and it was agreed that he be invited to attend a future Parish Council meeting which would give the opportunity to ask him questions about budgets and local Policing.

Audit Committee Meeting 18 January 2017

The minutes of the Audit Committee meeting held on 18 January 2017 were agreed as a correct record.

Cllr. Glassey moved, seconded by Cllr. Gilfillan.

Motion Carried

137. Financial Matters

137.1 Financial Statement for January 2017

The Clerk presented the financial statement for 2017, highlighting several variations to be noted.

Cllr. Richardson moved, seconded by Cllr. Turner that the statement be approved. **Motion Carried**

Cllr. Sanders reported that the “Gillam” rock band event, which took place on 10 February, was a success, £519 raised from tickets which covered the cost of the band and £1700 generated over the bar. It was agreed that employee David Heald be thanked for his hard work in selling the tickets.

137.2 Accounts for Payment

Cllr. Gilfillan moved, seconded by Cllr. Wells that the accounts be approved. All in favour.

Motion Carried

137.3 Budget 2017/18

The Clerk presented the proposed budget for 2017/18 and answered several questions. Cllr. McGregor moved, seconded by Cllr. Turner that the budget for 2017/18 be approved. **Motion Carried**

137.4 Review of Marriage Licence Renewal

Following the last meeting the Clerk reported that on the basis of weddings performed in the Social centre over the last 3 years and taking into account additional income generated from those events the renewal of the Wedding Licence was financially viable. Cllr. McGregor moved, seconded by

Cllr. Glassey that the licence be renewed.

Action Clerk

It was also agreed that the Clerk make contact with “Can Do Communities” regarding the redecoration/refurbishment of the Social Centre

Action Clerk

138. Planning:

No concerns were raised regarding the following planning applications.

CM5/0117/90 – Whitwell Quarry, Section 73 application not to comply with Condition 1 of planning application CM5/0207/192.

139. Sports Clubs Fees - Update

Cllr. Smith reported that following the last Parish Council meeting the sports clubs had been contacted with a view to negotiating annual charges. Following replies an Audit Committee meeting took place on 22 February where it was agreed the following recommendations be put to the Parish Council.

- i) Markland, Multi-sports and Bowls Club - £300 per annum.
- Foxgreen – £250 per annum.

- ii) It is also recommended that the locks be changed on all facilities, with new keys to be issued when contracts have been signed.

Following discussions Cllr. McGregor moved, seconded by Cllr. Smith that the Council support the recommendations. After a show of hands 9 were for the recommendations and 2 against.

Motion Carried

Cllr. Colbert proposed an amendment to the motion regarding the changing of the locks which he felt would have an unnecessary cost implication. Cllr. Colbert moved that the locks remain. Following a show of hands 9 were against the motion 2 were for.

140. INEOS – Discussion from Item 129

A discussion took place regarding the earlier request from INEOS representatives to undertake seismic surveys on Parish Council land. The Council were unanimous in agreeing that it would not approve such surveys to take place on any land belonging to the Parish. Cllr. McGregor moved, seconded by Cllr. Smith.

Motion Carried/Action Clerk

141. Clerk's Matters

i) Defibrillator Responsibility

The Clerk raised concern that the recently sited defibrillator at the Social Centre had become the responsibility of Council staff with regards to weekly checks etc. He felt that as this was a Big Local initiative he would have expected some input from them regarding the upkeep and responsibility for the machine. Cllr. McGregor moved, seconded by Cllr. Gilfillan.

Action Clerk

ii) Cilca

The Clerk reported that he had been successful in obtaining the Cilca qualification. He also stated that Mrs Hankinson had expressed an interest in pursuing the same qualification and requested that the Parish Council provide the relevant financial support. Cllr. McGregor moved, seconded by Cllr. Gilfillan that the support be given.

Motion Carried

142. Correspondence

The Clerk read out the following correspondence:

i) A Nations Tribute

The County Council asking if the Parish would wish to take part in a Beacon Chain on the 11 November 2018 to mark the end of the WW1. The Council were agreed it did not wish to participate in the event.

ii) Annual Service of Bowls Club Mower

Request from the Creswell Bowls Club to go ahead with the service on the grass mower. Cllr. McGregor moved, seconded by Cllr. Smith that club be given the go ahead for the service but the service to be arranged via the Clerk.

Action Clerk

iii) Memorial Bench – Cemetery

Following on from the last meeting it was agreed that the family should have followed the correct procedures to erect the bench via the Parish Council. Clerk to write again asking the family to comply with the rules of the Cemetery.

iv) Streetsports – Funding

A request had been received from Bolsover District Council asking if the Council would once again support the Streetsports initiative for the next 2 years. The Council agreed to support the request at a cost of £750 per annum. Cllr. Smith moved, seconded by Cllr. Glassey.

Motion Carried

v) **Festival of Brass**

Cllr. McGregor explained that the Parish Council have again been invited to support the Festival of Brass event. It was agreed to support the event with a contribution of £250. Cllr. McGregor moved, seconded by Cllr. Gilfillan. **Motion Carried**

The Chairperson moved that the remaining business is of EXEMPT nature and not for public interest.

Local Government (Access of Information) Act 1985 under section 100 (AO (4) of the Local Government Act (Amended) the public are excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the stated paragraph of Part 1 Schedule 12A of the Act, and is not in the public interest for that to be revealed.