

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD
THURSDAY 28 SEPTEMBER 2017 IN THE CAVENDISH ROOM AT THE SOCIAL CENTRE
COMMENCING AT 2.45.PM.**

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

Also in attendance: H. Hankinson (Assistant to the Clerk).
P C Harrison - Derbyshire Police
Members of the Public - 5

50. Public Participation

A member of the public stated that he was pleased with the work that had been done in the Cemetery recently and the area was now looking much better. Reference was also made to how good the "Acoustic Angels" event was at the Social Centre in September - thanks to be given to the organisers.

Cllr. McGregor replied to the following:

- Traffic congestion around the Cemetery due to gas works is now beginning to ease.
- The hedge on East Street playing area is the responsibility of the Parish Council and would be addressed. **Action Clerk**
- A more up to date report would be available following a meeting on 12 October regarding the Leisure Centre.

51. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr J Clifton and Roger Nunn (Clerk).

52. Declarations of Interest

None.

53. Bolsover Police Report

The Chairman welcomed PC Harrison to the meeting. PC Harrison stated that he did not have anything of any significance to report.

In answer to a question by Cllr Colbert, PC Harrison reported that the Police Liaison meetings had stopped due to lack of public attendance: the police are looking at ways of interacting with the public via the internet. Cllr McGregor raised concerns that the lack of police presence in the area and that the service had dropped over the last few years. PC Harrison said that several officers had moved to other locations recently but that new officers would be joining the team in the near future.

54. Motions to Vary Order of Business

None

55. District Council Report

Cllr McGregor answered questions regarding the refurbishment of the Station Hotel on Elmton Road stating that BDC are not involved in the development and any concerns or queries need to be referred to Action Housing.

57. County Council Report

Cllr. McGregor had nothing current to report.

58. To approve the Minutes of:

58.1 Parish Council Meeting held 27 July 2017

The minutes of the meeting held on 27 July 2017 were approved as a correct record subject to an amendment at Item 44 – this should read "*traffic bollard at the junction between the A60*" not A57.

Cllr Gilfillan moved, seconded by Cllr Richardson.

Motion Carried

Cllr McGregor confirmed the following actions from the minutes:

Item 45 "Can Do" – the grant claim has now been approved.

Item 48.4 – Cricket – the Clerk had made several attempts to arrange a meeting with a Sheffield team interested in using the Multi-sports but had had no reply. The Clerk has also contacted Derbyshire, Nottinghamshire and Bolsover CCs to see if there is any interest in utilising our ground for cricket. There had been no response from any as yet.

Action Clerk

58.2 Sub-Committee Meeting held 30 August 2017 - Newsletter

The minutes were approved as a correct record.

Councillors were asked to submit any ideas for a new system of formulation of the Parish Newsletter. It was agreed that, due to timescales, the next edition due towards the end of October would be produced as previously and that a new system be formulated in time for future editions.

58.3 Extraordinary Meeting held 6 September 2017

Cllr Colbert disputed the last paragraph of the minutes at Item 2 (ii), he didn't feel this to be an accurate report of what was agreed. After discussion Cllr McGregor moved, seconded by Cllr Wells that the minutes are approved as a correct record.

Motion Carried

59. Financial Matters

59.1 Financial Statement for August 2017

The financial statement for August 2017 previously circulated was discussed.

Cllr McGregor moved, seconded by Cllr Smith that the financial statement be approved.

Motion Carried

Audit Committee to look at breakdown of Social Centre figures to identify areas of loss.

Audit Agenda

59.2 Accounts for Payment – September 2017

The accounts for payment were circulated.

Cllr N Sanders moved, seconded by Cllr Smith that the accounts be approved. All in favour.

Motion Carried

59.3 Audit of Accounts 2016/17 – To Note External Auditors Report

The Assistant to the Clerk reported that the 2016/17 accounts had now been approved by the external auditors with an 'unqualified opinion'.

60. Planning:

The following planning applications were considered and no concerns were raised.

17/00437DETR2R – Change of use of premises

17/00505/FUL – Change of use and conversion of store room.

61. Correspondence

The Chairman read out the following correspondence:

61.1 Creswell Clowne Family Tennis Club

Cllr McGregor read out a document from the above setting out proposals and seeking the support of the Parish Council regarding the development of tennis in Creswell and to make changes to the Markland site to promote and develop the junior tennis club.

Following discussion the Parish Council agreed to support the principle, subject to seeing the details, of tennis development on the two sites at the Model Village and Markland Campus and also the suggested changes at Markland. Cllr Turner moved, seconded by Cllr Gilfillan. **Motion Carried**

61.2. Request for Installation of Grave Set – Appeal against earlier decision

A letter of appeal was read out in respect of the Councils earlier decision at its June meeting to refuse an application for kerb sets in the Cemetery. The Council were in agreement that the rules of the Cemetery must be adhered to and therefore stand by its original decision.

Cllr. Turner moved, seconded by Cllr Richardson.

Motion Carried

61.3 Bolsover District Council Response to CCTV Refund Request

A reply had been received from Bolsover District Council stating that they were unaware that the CCTV system had been out of action at any time during 2014. The Council were unhappy with this response as they had been led to believe that the system had not been operational at certain periods. It was agreed that a further letter be sent to Bolsover District Council restating the Parish Council understanding of the situation and requesting increased level of refund.

Action Clerk

61.4 Foys Solicitors – Confirmation of Agreement for Surrender – Land at Rear of Former Miners Welfare

Confirmation had been received that the surrender of part of the lease between the Parish Council, Welbeck Estates and Bolsover District Council regarding land at the rear of the Miners Welfare has now been exchanged.

61.5 Elmton Residents – Support, Including £1,000 Funding for “Going for Gold”

The Parish Council agreed not to support the request.

61.6 Funfair – Fox Green

An application to hold a family funfair on the Fox Green playing fields was discussed. The Council agreed not to support the application. Cllr McGregor moved, seconded by Cllr Smith.

Motion Carried

61.7 National Lottery Grant

Cllr McGregor reported that the Parish Council had now received approval for a grant of £9,963 from the Big Lottery Fund towards the Creswell Social Centre refurbishment project. The money would be used to renovate and update the Centre.

61.8 Family Weekend

Cllr McGregor informed the meeting that arrangements were being made to hold a Celebration weekend at the Social Centre on 28/29 October. The event would be organised in conjunction with the “Can Do Communities”

61.9 Request from for Free Room Hire

A request had been received from the Creswell Infants School PTA for free room hire at the Social Centre on 2 November to hold a school disco. Cllr McGregor moved, seconded by Cllr Smith that the Council supported the application.

Motion Carried

61.10 Bowls Club

A request had been received from the Bowls Club asking permission to go ahead with the annual winter maintenance work on the bowling green. The Council supported the application. Cllr. McGregor moved, seconded by Cllr. Smith.

Motion Carried

62. Standing Orders – Special Motion to Consider Amendments

The Council considered the special motion proposed by Cllrs McGregor and Smith to amend the Standing Orders in line with the recommendations made by a sub-committee at a meeting held on 6 September. The Council agreed that the amendments be accepted. Cllr. Turner moved, seconded by Cllr. Smith.

Motion Carried

63. Parish Newsletter – to Consider Councillors Suggestions for Content

This item was discussed earlier under Item 58.

64. Snow Warden Scheme

A request had been received from Derbyshire County Council asking if it would like to join the Snow Warden Scheme. The Council decided to decline the offer.