

Doveridge Parish Council Meeting

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Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Parish Council held at 7.30pm, Tuesday 2nd November 2021

Present: Cllr. Bointon, Cllr. Dews, Cllr. Goulden, Cllr. Banner, Cllr. Ewing, Cllr. Mason, Cllr. Buck, Cllr. Lyon and Cllr. Ogram.

In attendance: Rachel Male (Clerk) and County Cllr. Bull.

01.11.21 Apologies

Apologies were received from District Cllr. Allison.

02.11.21 Variation of Business

RESOLVED to move items 12 and 16 to follow Clerk's report.

03.11.21 Declaration of Members Interests

Cllr. Bointon declared an interest in agenda item 9 and 10 and a personal interest in 13.

04.11.21 Public Speaking

No members of the public present.

County Cllr. Bull would provide updates during the meeting on matters arising.

05.11.21 Approve Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 5th October 2021

It was **RESOLVED** that minutes be approved. Proposed: Cllr. Goulden, Seconded: Cllr. Ewing. The Chair, Cllr. Bointon signed the minutes as a true and accurate record.

06.11.21 Chairman's Announcement

Outlined the business for the evening and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

07.11.21 Report from the Clerk on on-going matters

Tree growth on corner of playing field (minute number 08.09.21 (a) iii)

A quote for the removal of 2 trees has been received for £250. It was **RESOLVED** to go ahead and instruct the contractor. Proposed: Cllr. Ewing, seconded Cllr. Bointon, all voting in favour. Clerk to action.

Telephone Box (minute number 07.09.21)

The Clerk continues to chase BT on some action over the condition of the telephone box.

Playing Field Bench Order (minute number 07.07.21 (c))

3 benches ordered and delivery is expected first week of November.

New bins (minute number 07.09.21 (b))

New replacement bins have been purchased (play area/basketball hoop) awaiting delivery (expected November).

Marston Lane (hedging either side of A50 bridge)

Clerk has been chasing DCC and DDDC for the hedge to be cut back from the footpath. DCC have informed us they do not own the land and they have contacted the landowner.

Small goalposts on playing field (minute number 08.09.21 (a) iv.)

Re-siting of the goal post is delayed due to material shortage.

Uttoxeter Town Council, Footpaths Committee Update

No update.

Footpath between High Street + Hawthorn Close

Clerk continues to chase DCC on an update on the closed footpath.

12.11.21 Burial Grounds update on Community Asset Transfer

DDDC are about to order the notice board and this should be in place soon.

Mound along Derby Road – following a DCC site visit in September, Charlotte Cupit is trying to get the undergrowth trimmed back. The Clerk continues to chase.

No update on the Community Asset Transfer.

16.11.21 Derby Road – Update

County Cllr. Bull gave the following update:

- The faded 30mph road markings have been added to a programme to be repainted (this includes the road junction by the Cavendish Arms PH). DCC are in process of confirming timeframe. It has been asked if a 3-2-1 warning option can be added – a response is awaited.
- Road surface outside Brocksford – this has been added to a programme to be re-surfaced within 12-months of April 2022.
- A response has been received from Angelique Foster, Derbyshire Police and Crime Commissioner regarding the speeding vehicles through Doveridge. A copy will be added to the minutes for information.

08.11.21 Scout Hut building proposal on playing field and Doveridge FC – changing rooms extension proposal

The Parish Council have asked both the Village Hall and Tennis Club for their thoughts on the above proposals.

The Village Hall feel community groups should be using the village hall more, instead of building on our green spaces and the Tennis Club have expressed their wish for a purpose-built facility near the courts. It was **RESOLVED** to set up a working group to liaise with all groups concerned and consider the next steps forward for these proposals. Members **AGREED**: Cllrs Banner, Ogram, Goulden and Mason, who will report an update at the next meeting.
Clerk to chase Planning for their thoughts.

09.11.21 Playing field hedges ownership *(to discuss updates and approve works by Groundsman)*

Cllr. Bointon did not take part in this agenda item.

Following investigations by the Clerk it would appear the hedge by the tennis courts (Alms Road side) and by the play area (Alms Road) are owned by the Parish Council. As this area can not be accessed by the normal field hedge cutter it was **AGREED** to ask for an estimate from our contractor and report back at the next meeting.

10.11.21 Extra works for Groundsman *(to consider and approve additional work which is required around the village)*

Cllr. Bointon did not take part in this agenda item.

It was **RESOLVED** to add the following works to the Contractors list:

- Meadow View open space, hedge along the footpath to be cut back annually.
- Hawthorn Close/High Street – connecting footpath to be cut back of weeds annually.
- Cook Lane/Park Crescent (opposite Cavendish Arms) hedge to be cut back annually.
- Strimming of area at the top of the playing field (adjacent to Cavendish Close) annually.
- Staining of the wood at the Sand Lane bus stop.
- Cleaning of the Derby Road bus stop – to be cleaned 6-monthly.

This was proposed by Cllr. Ewing and seconded by Cllr. Buck, all Councillors voted in favour.

11.11.21 Pond Project Update

Councillors met with DDDC regarding the proposed footpath and viewing platform.

Approximate costs would be between £20-25k for the footpath and the viewing platform around £5k. The wildflower area was also discussed. At this stage these are just proposals. The Clerk read out two emails received from residents regarding the proposals who object to this. It was discussed that this is a long term project and nothing has been decided as yet, however, we are looking to enhance the area for the benefit of the whole village.

It was **RESOLVED** to set up a working group to consider the next steps. Members **AGREED**: Cllrs Buck, Goulden, Ewing, Dews who will report an update at the next meeting.

13.11.21 Bowls Club *(to consider Community Asset Transfer (CAT) offer from Derbyshire Dales District Council)*

It was **AGREED** to have a site visit before the next meeting.

14.11.21 Tree on allotment land *(to agree action on a large tree growing on the allotment land)*

It was **AGREED** that Councillors would look at this tree when they attend a site visit on the allotment land.

15.11.21 Village Christmas Tree *(to discuss and if necessary, agree purchase and location of tree)*

It was **RESOLVED** to ask the Village Shop if we could display a Christmas tree again this year. Clerk to purchase a tree, a maximum budget of £100 was set.

17.11.21 Village lamppost flowers *(to consider the idea of village flower arrangements in 2022)*

It was **RESOLVED** to investigate costs for flowers on lampposts (10) for next year (June-September) Clerk to ask residents for their thoughts via Facebook, would they want us to budget for this?

18.11.21 Poppies on lampposts *(to consider displaying remaining lamppost poppies (owned by the Parish Council) around the village)*

RESOLVED to display the remaining poppies around the village.

19.11.21 Finance – Accounts for Payment and Income

RESOLVED to make the following payments.

Clerks Salary	=	£376.00
HMRC, NI + TAX	=	£394.99
Ink	=	£22.49
J.B. Mowing (field mowing)	=	£111.00
Doveridge Village Hall, Room hire	=	£48.00
Broxap, bin replacements x 2	=	£615.48
Eon, Pavilion electric	=	£8.00 (direct debit)

To note the income since the last meeting:

Interest on reserve account = £0.09

20.11.21 To consider Planning Applications / Decisions

Applications

21/00497/AMD – Bransdale, Pump Lane. Non-material amendment to application

21/00497/FUL (proposed single storey garage extension) to increase height of the gable on the rear aspect to bring it in line with the existing roof. **VALIDATED 20/10/21**

Decisions

20/01001/CLEUD – certificate of lawful existing use – continued use of former agricultural buildings for B2 (general industry) B8 (storage and distribution) purposes for a period in excess of 10 years. **PERMITTED 01/10/21**

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21.11.21 Correspondence

2 emails received from residents regarding the pond project – discussed under agenda item.

Reply from Angelique Foster, Derbyshire Police and Crime Commissioner (attached at item 21)

22.11.21 Date of the next monthly meeting of the Parish Council – Tuesday 7th December 2021 – RESOLVED

Signed by:.....

Date:.....

2021/2022 BUDGET APPRAISAL @ 02.11.2021

Expenditure	Set Budget 2021/2022	Actual to date	Variance to Budget	Notes
Environmental				
Mowing	£2,000.00	£1,148.24	£851.76	
Footpath Maintenance	£1,000.00	£436.00	£564.00	
Burial Grounds	£3,000.00	£0.00	£3,000.00	
Grit Filling	£300.00	£0.00	£300.00	
Mower Insurance + maintenance	£1,000.00	£417.99	£582.01	
Hedge Cutting	£800.00	£325.00	£475.00	
Playground	£620.00	£314.00	£306.00	
Pavilion	£1,650.00	£56.00	£1,594.00	
Misc Repairs & Vandalism	£2,000.00	£133.00	£1,867.00	
Village Upkeep/Events	£2,000.00	£750.00	£1,250.00	
Administration				
Salary	£7,000.00	£3,314.60	£3,685.40	
Administration	£3,400.00	£2,521.56	£878.44	
Projects				
Village Improvements	£4,000.00	£0.00	£4,000.00	
S15/ Donations	£600.00	£30.00	£570.00	
Contingencies				
Election Contingency	£750.00	£0.00	£750.00	
General Contingency	£732.00	£0.00	£732.00	
Pavilion	£1,000.00			
Burial Ground	£3,170.00	£0.00	£3,170.00	
Planning	£750.00	£0.00	£750.00	
Fencing	£4,000.00	£0.00	£4,000.00	
Playground	£2,000.00			
VAT 2020/2021		£224.19		
	£41,772.00	£9,670.58	£32,101.42	

INCOME	Predicted 2020/2021	Actual	Bank Balance 01.04.21	£19,643.82
Year End Balance	£17,295.00	£19,643.82	Outgoings since 01.04	£9,670.58
Precept	£13,277.00	£13,543.00	Income since 01.04	£19,019.26
DDDC Reimbu Play field & BG	£1,901.00	£1,172.78		£28,992.50
Reclaim Footpaths	£495.00	£495.00		
Solar Farm Rent	£2,700.00	£2,830.50	Bank balance 02.11.21	£28,992.50
Other Rent	£811.00	£69.46	Santander A/C approx	£29.08
VAT 2020/2021	£1,500.00	£593.89		£29,021.58
Reserve Account Interest	£30.00	£0.63		
General reimbur	£100.00	£314.00		
	£38,109.00	£38,663.08		
Minus YE Balance		£19,019.26		

RECONCILED



By email only: clerk-doveridgepc@hotmail.com

21 October 2021

Dear Rachel

Thank you for getting in touch with me and for sharing the Council's concerns of speeding vehicles through Doveridge.

I get all too many similar correspondence about speeding and I can assure you that whilst the police have limited enforcement capacity, and as the Council will recognise, the decision on speed limits is a highway safety matter for the County Council to decide upon in conjunction with the Road Safety Partnership of which the Police are a part and are consulted on.

I am aware that speeding causes misery for residents and puts the lives of pedestrians and other drivers in danger. As you rightly point out, I do have an interest in road safety and I am determined to make our roads safer by supporting and investing in tried and tested prevention measures that support the work of the police and road safety teams.

CREST commitments are County wide and priority is given to roads or parts of roads suffering from a higher number of reported injury collisions. However, they also assess and attend roads where community concerns are raised, and it is therefore regrettable that some people see fit to post the location of CREST sites on social media. CREST is there to try and reduce excessive and inappropriate speed which is a contributing factor in road collisions and casualties.

Visibility of officers is a concern to people both as a reassurance measure and a potential crime prevention tool and the allocation of specific policing resources and the way these are deployed is something which falls within the remit of the Chief Constable rather than myself (Policing Protocol Order (2011)). I do work closely with the Force to ensure that all areas receive a policing service which meets their needs but the allocation of resources is largely determined by assessment of risk and threat across the County.

While a regular presence at meetings may be something the Council would like to see, Sergeant Daniel Brooks has advised that he is fully supportive of this and I give below his email address for you to contact him regarding future meetings:

Email: daniel.brooks.3473@derbyshire.police.uk

Sergeant Brooks is also happy to discuss any issues the Council may have.

In addition to CREST carrying out speed checks, there is also the Community Speed Watch Scheme which can also be a very useful tool for collecting data in respect of speeding vehicles. This initiative for volunteers working alongside the local Safer Neighbourhood Team, monitors traffic speeds in the community. The Constabulary's Community Speed Watch Co-ordinator (CSWC) would be happy to provide information and help with setting up the scheme in your area if you chose to do so. Shaun Woodcock is the CSWC and can be contacted via email - Shaun.Woodcock@derbyshire.police.uk

Please reassure the community that should anyone wish to report a crime or witness a crime, they can report this via the 101 non-emergency number, or, 999 in an emergency situation or use the 'Contact us' page on the Force's website:

[Contact us | Derbyshire Constabulary](#)

Thank you again for getting in touch and I hope the above is of help to the Council and that it is understood that the Policing Protocol Order (2011) dictates what Police and Crime Commissioners are able to become involved in.

Kindest regards.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Angelique Foster', with a horizontal line underneath.

Angelique Foster
Police and Crime Commissioner for Derbyshire

