

CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH PARISH COUNCIL**MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 2 FEBRUARY 2021**

Meeting Held: Tuesday 2 February 2021
Virtual Meeting held via Zoom

Present: Councillors J Adshead, N Gourlay, C Sizeland, Mrs S Walters and S Young.

In Attendance: Mrs S E Stockdale – Clerk to the Council

Apologies accepted: None

Apologies noted: None

There were sixteen members of the public present at the meeting.

One minutes silence was observed in memory of Captain Sir Tom Moore. It was agreed that the Town Hall flag will be flown at half-mast.

21/278 Declarations of Interest

The following declarations of interest were made:

Councillor C Sizeland – Leys Allotment site as an adjoining land owner

Councillor C Sizeland – his wife is a substitute Councillor on the High Peak Borough Council Development Control Committee.

Councillor J Adshead - as a friend of an adjoining landowner to the Leys Allotments.

Councillor Mrs Walters - as a friend of an adjoining landowner to the Leys Allotments.

Councillor N Gourlay - as a friend of an adjoining landowner to the Leys Allotments.

21/279 Dispensations

Two dispensations have been granted to Councillor Sizeland.

21/280 Police Matters

The local Safer Neighbourhood Officer has notified the Council that a multi-agency meeting will be arranged and members will be invited.

A meeting will also be arranged with the new Safer Neighbourhood PC to make an introduction to members.

It was noted that Councillors had undertaken litter picking at Needhams Recreation Ground and have arranged for vehicles to be removed from the Council depot on Ashbourne Lane, Chapel-en-le-Frith.

21/281 Public Participation

A resident spoke to object to the proposed Precept increase for a Band D property to £54.

A resident spoke to ask Councillors to consider improvements to paths around Combs Reservoir and to lobby for better gully cleaning on public highways.

The Chairman passed on a concern from a resident who could not attend the meeting about the unsightly temporary fencing on Barmoor Clough.

21/282 Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 5 January 2021

Minutes numbered 21/234 to 21/253 were presented.

RESOLVED: That the Chairman be authorised to sign the Minutes as being a true and correct record.

21/283 Minutes of the Planning Committee held on 18 January 2021

Minutes numbered 21/257 to 21/263 were presented.

Minute 21/231 was amended to read Ruth George to

RESOLVED: That the Chairman be authorised to sign the amended Minutes as being a true and correct record.

21/284 Minutes of the Personnel Committee held on 13 January 2021

Minutes numbered 21/254 to 21/256 were presented.

RESOLVED: That the Chairman be authorised to sign the Minutes as being a true and correct record.

21/285 Minutes of the Amenities Committee held on 20 January 2021

Minutes numbered 21/264 were presented.

RESOLVED: That the Chairman be authorised to sign the Minutes as being a true and correct record.

21/286 Minutes of the Town Hall Committee held on 20 January 2021

Minutes numbered 21/265 were presented.

RESOLVED: That the Chairman be authorised to sign the Minutes as being a true and correct record.

21/287 Minutes of the Communications Committee held on 20 January 2021

Minutes numbered 21/266 were presented.

RESOLVED: That the Chairman be authorised to sign the Minutes as being a true and correct record.

21/288 Minutes of the F & GP Committee held on 20 January 2021

Minutes numbered 21/267 were presented.

RESOLVED: That the Chairman be authorised to sign the Minutes as being a true and correct record.

21/289 Minutes of the Amenities Committee held on 26 January 2021

Minutes numbered 21/268 to 21/277 were presented.

RESOLVED: That the Chairman be authorised to sign the Minutes as being a true and correct record.

21/290 Matters arising from the minutes

The Clerk confirmed that an application has been made to Derbyshire County Council for a grit bin in the Wash.

The Clerk confirmed that BT were progressing the application for the Council to adopt the red telephone box in Bagshaw.

It was confirmed that three quotes will be sought for the replacement wall on the tramway at the Leys and three quotes for picnic benches for the Memorial Park will be sought and presented to the next Amenities Committee.

A meeting will be arranged with Parkwood Leisure and Derbyshire County Council to discuss Chapel Leisure Centre.

21/291 2021/2022 Precept

Councillor Gourlay proposed that the 2021/2022 precept be set at £187,110.00 which equates to a Parish Rate of £54 p.a. for a Band D property. Councillor Sizeland seconded the proposal.

The Chairman asked for a recorded vote.

For	Against	Abstain
Councillor Gourlay	Councillor Young	Councillor Adshead
Councillor Sizeland		
Councillor Mrs Walters		

RESOLVED: That the 2021/2022 Precept is set at £187,110.00

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RESOLVED: That the Council post a statement on the website and facebook page with a link to the recording of the meeting.

21/292 **Town Hall**

Loss of earnings

The Council were advised that the loss of earning from use of the rooms at the Town Hall currently stands at £13,335.51. This will be offset by the grants totalling £17,335.00 received from central government. A further grant of £238 has been awarded.

21/293 Motion from Councillor Sizeland - The Council undertakes to explore the possibility of installing a publicly accessible Defibrillator at the Town Hall.

RESOLVED: That the Council consider where a suitable site for a defibrillator on the Town Hall would be, after taking advice from the Planning Department and report back to the Town Hall Committee.

21/294 Motion from Councillor Sizeland - In view of the stifling heat that can occur at events in the main room of the Town Hall during the summer, the Council undertakes to obtain quotes to open back up the previously blocked up vent in the apex of the roof and installation of an extractor fan.

RESOLVED: That quotes be sought for the proposed work and considered by the Town Hall Committee.

21/295 Motion from Councillor Gourlay – The council welcomes the draft lease agreement for Sparrowpit Playpark from the Beresford Trust and its offer (via solicitors) of showing the council its Abstract of Title giving evidence of ownership, and the council looks forward to receiving that document. However, the council is disappointed that the trust is failing in its obligations to accept the two representatives of the Council as trustees. Furthermore, the council notes the promises made by the secretary of the trust on 13 August 2019 that she would provide minutes, accounts, and bank statements to councillors, and that she has not yet provided that information. Therefore, this council will write to the Charity Commission, expressing the council's concerns, and asking them to investigate.

Councillor Gourlay submitted an amendment to the motion –

“The council is deeply concerned at recent correspondence from the George and Sarah Beresford Memorial Foundation, which suggests

that the charity has rented its land to a trustee's family. The council asks the Charity Commission to investigate whether an order was made to allow this, either by the Commission or the courts.

The council further notes that land intended for a playing field in its governing document is being used to generate income from farming and car-parking. The council asks the Charity Commission to investigate whether an order was made to allow this, either by the Commission or the courts.

The council was promised by the secretary of the charity on 13 August 2019 that she would provide a copy of the minutes of the last AGM, and a complete list of trustees. This information has not yet been supplied, and the council urges the charity to supply this information.

Furthermore, the council is deeply concerned that the charity is seeking to avoid scrutiny of its operations, and change its structure to exclude the trustees appointed by Chapel-en-le-Frith and Peak Forest Parish Councils. This council will oppose any such changes, and urges the Charity Commission to protect the interests of residents of this parish."

Councillor Sizeland seconded the amended motion.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk writes the Charity Commission and Charity to seek the information requested on behalf of the Council.

21/296 Motion from Councillor Gourlay - This council believes that public service should be its own reward, and therefore the council abolishes all allowances for councillors and the chairman. Any funds which have been earmarked for allowances, but which have not been claimed should be split equally between charities.

The motion was withdrawn by Councillor Gourlay.

21/297 Schedule of Accounts presented for payment.

Cheques numbered 009045 to 009062 were presented amounting to £5,441.56.

RESOLVED: That the cheques be signed and the accounts to which they relate be paid.

It was noted that the annual invoice from Alliance is included in the schedule and that the Amenities Committee are considering if there are other providers for this service.

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21/298 Correspondence

- Friends of Chapel Station
- Public Footpath 115 Diversion Order
- Public Spaces Protection Order (Wildfires) 2021. The Amenities Committee were asked to consider this in relation to land in the ownership of the Council.
- G & S Beresford Memorial Hall, Sparrowpit

21/299 Chairman's Virtual script

It was agreed that the Communications Committee would consider this in relation to virtual meetings.

21/300 Press Releases

- 2021/2022 Precept
- Presentation of agreed Community Awards

21/301 To resolve to exclude the press and members of the public under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.

No business was discussed.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 21.52 hours.

CHAIRMAN

Direct Debits January 2021					
HPBC	Business Rate	675.00	0.00	675.00	
O2	Mobile Phone Insurance	6.00	1.20	7.20	
O2	Mobile Phone charges	45.18	9.04	54.22	
Trusted IT	IT Support	241.48	48.30	289.78	
Workplace Pensions	Pension administration	19.00	3.80	22.80	
Nest	Pension contributions	292.08	0.00	292.08	
	TOTAL	£ 1,278.74	£ 62.34	£ 1,341.08	
Receipts					
Hall Hire	1st - 31st January 2021	£0.00			
Rent	Shop 47/49 Mkt Street	£550.00			
Rent	Flat 47/49 Market Street	£525.00			
Pollocks Scotrans	Planter repayment	£272.70			
HPBC	Covid grants	£6,001.00			
	TOTAL	£7,348.70			
Bank Balances as of 2nd February 2021					
Current Account		£ 55.00			
Practice Call		£ 1,228.03			
Imprest A/C		£ 9,747.57			
SBI A/C		£ 197,693.13			
	TOTAL	£208,723.73			

CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH PARISH COUNCIL**Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee held on
9th February 2021 via Zoom.**

Present: Councillor C Sizeland in the chair
Councillors S Walters and N Wetters-Gourlay.

In Attendance: Mrs E Howe – Assistant Clerk

Apologies: Cllr J Adshead, S Young

21/302 Public Speaking

2 Members of the public were present, none wished to speak.

21/303 Plenary Powers

Applications seeking Planning Permission or Approval to carry out developments at locations within the Parish.

The Committee considered in turn four applications to carry out developments within the Parish and it was **RESOLVED**: That the following comments be sent to the relevant Planning Authority.

HPK/2021/0003

COO Esteem MAT. 25 High Street, Chapel-en-le-Frith

Proposed CCTV to main building, proposed replacement entrance gates (automated) proposed new fencing & gate to rear, proposed new access ramp & handrail to rear.

The Committee support application.

HPK/2021/0007

20 South Head Drive, Chapel-en-le-Frith

Replace existing conservatory with single storey rear sun room extension.

No Objection.

HPK/2021/0023

CJK Packaging, Bridgeholme Mill Industrial Estate, Chinley.

Proposed warehouse extension.

Cllr Sizeland entered the waiting room while discussions took place.
As the applicant is a Council member it was agreed to make no comment.

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HPK/2021/0026

25 Greggs Avenue, Chapel-en-le-Frith

Two storey rear extension and single storey side extension to provide new kitchen/living space, utility room and extended bathroom and bedroom spaces.

It was agreed to defer until the next meeting.

21/304 Appeals

None.

21/305 Notifications

Permission

HPK/2020/0514 – Little Acorn, 164 Manchester Road, Chapel-en-le-Frith

CD1/0720/27 – Chapel-en-le-Frith Primary School, Warmbrook Road

HPK/2020/0546 – 12 Sovereign Way, Chapel-en-le-Frith

HPK/2020/0353 – 29 Links Road, Chapel-en-le-Frith

Refusal

21/306 Correspondence

None.

21/307 Any Other Business (For discussion only)

None.

21/308 To resolve to exclude the press and members of the public under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.

None.

The meeting closed at 7.12pm

CHAIRMAN

CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH PARISH COUNCIL COMMUNITY PLAN FOOTPATHS WORKING PARTY

Minutes of the meeting on Tuesday 26 January 2021 at 7pm online via Zoom

Present: Cllr Chris Sizeland (Chair)
David Benning
Sandra Higgins
Mave Morrison
Stella Walters

Tony Brackenbury
Liz McCormick
Peter Soden

1 Formalities **Action**
Chris Sizeland welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1.2 Attendee names and contact details
Attendance recorded by Sandra Higgins.

1.3 Apologies for absence
None.

1.4 Declarations of interest
Attendees were asked to declare any interests.

Cllr Chris Sizeland has two footpaths on his land. One on the route and one just off it. The Clerk as a given Chris a dispensation to talk about the tramway matters relating to his land.

Liz McCormick is a trustee for the G E Barratt estate which incorporates part of the land that Footpath 122 crosses at the Target Field and heads up to the railway embankment.

2 Minutes of the meeting held on 15 December 2020

2.1 Amendments

Item 7 – This is the drainage by the Wain Homes housing estate.

Item 8.1 - Ruth George is DCC Councillor for Blackbrook as well as Whaley Bridge.

Item 8.1 – Before last paragraph insert “David suggested that the Parish Council should send information to DCC stressing the considerable amount of work that has been undertaken by the Group. This should help improve the priority given to the project. The information should include the Summary Report of March 2018 together with other documents produced since then which demonstrate recent work.”

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2.2 Matters arising

Item 2.2 – see item 3.1 below.

Item 3.1 – see item 3.1 below.

Item 3.2 – see item 3.1 below.

Item 4 – see Item 4 below.

3 Tramway trail signage and simplifies maps.

3.1 Trail signage

David has emailed Thom Howe, the Rights of Way Officer at DCC, who replied saying he had passed the email on to the Highways department. David now does not have a contact to follow this up as it is not known who the Highways Officer is at the moment, but he will try. He will also push for the site meeting he asked for in due course.

PVC are not responding about the information board. Chris contacted the company in Macclesfield that provided the boards at Bugsworth Basin and they are priced very reasonably at around £500 so Chris is hopeful that he can get funding for this from HPBC.

Chris has largely managed to follow the suggested locations for the stickers on the route to Chapel Milton to Bowden Hey Road, which are now up. Everyone is encouraged to go and have a look.

All

Still not heard about the fingerpost application. Sue chased this in December but DCC could find the application. Anna Chapmen, who was the contact several years ago, wrote to Sue Stockdale saying the application sent in October has been lost so Sue has sent it again. Anna has investigated upgrading the status to bridleway, but there are difficulties because there are so many landowners and COVID-19 has caused delays. This still looks hopeful though.

3.2 Simplified maps

Peter ran through the two simplified maps which had been circulated. David will use these to illustrate the routes when he speaks to DCC, and they can be used for the next progress report to demonstrate where we have made progress. They are simplified to just show the interim walking routes. Map 1 shows the rural route joining up the north and south parts of the tramway. Map 2 shows the urban route.

4 Warmbrook trail and bridge

Chris is trying to see if he can access the s106 money and find out what can be done with it. Disabled access looks like it will be a problem along this route just before the station path.

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Warmbrook trail and bridge – continued ...

Chris has written to HPBC for permission for access to the land behind the Scout hut. He may also apply for permission to put picnic tables there, and is looking into getting a defibrillator in the area.

A reply from Barry Wood at the George Barratt Estate has been emailed to Sue, and this should be shared with the group with the minutes.

SH

Peter shared map Fig A from the summary progress report to go with the document circulated earlier and the map of the area next to the station. There was a lot of discussion about the proposed new path down from the station, which would start along the narrow footpath below the train line between the station and Long Lane and zig-zag down the hill keeping as close to Warm Brook as possible. This was considered by some to be an expensive, if not unrealistic option. Tony highlighted there was already an existing footpath down from the station to the west of the road leading up to the station, which was wide enough for disabled access, and could easily link up with the Warm Brook trail by going through the housing estate to reach Long Lane.

5 Stodhart tunnel information board

This is on English Heritage's at risk register. Mave reinforced that this is a major part of the Tramway.

6 Any other business

6.1 Summary Progress Report

Chris asked Peter and David to produce a summary report of what the group has been doing over the last year to go with the simplified maps. This report will include details all the signage that has been put up and can be based on the proposed cycle route emails to DCC.

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6.2 Cycle Route Correspondence with DCC

David and Peter have drafted three emails with 15 attachments to be sent DCC as a record of all the work that has been done by the group. These have now been circulated and the group were asked to read them and comment to David, Peter and Chris before they are sent to DCC. They have been split into three to make them easier to digest, as there is a lot of information to be included. Meanwhile, Peter and David will draft them as three separate emails with attachments ready to send for Chris to review. There is some urgency to get these sent as soon as possible so actions can be incorporated into DCC work plan for next year. When approved, Chris will pass on to Sue to be sent on to DCC.

All

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Cycle Route Correspondence with DCC – continued ...

It seems that all the cycle route network money has been allocated but Ruth George is campaigning for cycle routes in the area and the work this group has done will be very useful for anyone looking at developing cycle routes in this area.

6.3 National Trust

David has had a reply to his enquiry to the National Trust regarding their plan to link cities and the countryside. They cannot help financially, but they would be happy to write a letter of support, and this would be useful in the future when putting proposals forward to DCC.

7 Items for next meeting

7.1 Agenda items for next meeting

Warmbrook trail - Proposed route down from the station, who owns the land to the west the road with the current path on it, and the stile at the bottom.

7.2 Date of next meeting

Tuesday 9 March 2021.

The meeting closed at 8.55 pm.
