

CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 6 JANUARY 2015

Meeting Held: Tuesday 6 January 2015 in the Annexe of the Town Hall, Chapel-en-le-Frith

Present: Councillor J Brook in the Chair.
Mrs H Batterbee, RN Bradbury, M Evanson, FP Harrison, G Martin, L McCarthy Mrs M Morrison, T Norton, J Perkins, M Smith, Mrs J Street and S Young.

In Attendance: Mrs SE Stockdale - Clerk of the Council

Apologies: None

At the commencement of the meeting there were two members of the public and no members of the press present.

Rev D Leach said prayers.

The Chairman, Councillor McCarthy advised members that Council Brook would be chairing the meeting to gain experience.

Councillor Brook took the Chair and wished members a Happy New Year and on behalf of members thanked Councillor Mrs Morrison for arranging the Council Christmas Dinner.

15/301 Declarations of Interest

Councillor Perkins and Young declared an interest as members of the Development Control Committee regarding a recent pre-planning consultation for land at the rear of Long Lane, Chapel-en-le-Frith (Bank Hall Drive) and indicated that they would take no part in the discussion.

Councillor Bradbury declared an interest as a member of Nat West Bank.

15/302 Police Matters

There were no Police Officers present at the meeting.

The Clerk was asked to report that motorised vehicles are still using the Royce Track and Chapel Gate despite Orders prohibiting this.

15/303 Open Forum

Mr Barton addressed members to express concern at the recent consultation leaflet for the proposed 'Bank Hall Drive' development and made the following points:-

- The response time and method for residents was un-reasonable and it appeared to be an attempt to rush a planning application through before the Neighbourhood Plan is adopted.
- There is no need for more houses in the Parish.
- Some of the possible access routes have not been discussed with landowners, with some being unfeasible.
- This development is contrary to the Neighbourhood Plan which is currently undergoing examination and therefore should be given maximum weight in respect of planning applications.

Councillor Norton indicated that he was not a member of the Development Control Committee and could therefore make comment. He had made comments to Councillor Street, who as the County Councillor had been seeking views as part of the County Council pre planning consultation.

Councillor Street also commented that land at the rear of the High School should be designated for future expansion of the School given the number of recent planning approvals.

Members expressed concern that High Peak Borough Council have not given sufficient weight to the Examination Version of the Neighbourhood Plan and noted that the Peak District National Park Authority have taken a different view.

Members were reminded that they have adopted a form of words to be submitted with any planning applications for further housing in the Parish.

15/305 M.P., County Councillors, Borough Councillors

Councillor Street advised that there has been a cabinet re-shuffle at Derbyshire Council Council and changes to senior staff.

She had no complaints regarding gritting over the Christmas period.

Councillor Norton advised that the Borough Council were facing a 5% reduction in funding from Central Government but that there would be no increase in the Council Tax Rate.

The Parish Council should be consulted on proposals for a combined authority and the Clerk advised that this had not yet been received.

15/305 Highways, Public Footpaths, Public Services and Parish Improvements

Derbyshire County Council have provided details of proposed repairs to Chapel Gate BOAT 144 and are seeking comments.

It was agreed that the Council should be asked to take physical steps to inhibit illegal use and seek additional monitoring by the Police. In addition members felt that the

amount of money being earmarked for this project could be better used for highway repairs in more populated areas.

The Clerk was asked to contact Derbyshire County Council to ask them to look at vehicles damaging grass verges on Frith View, Chapel-en-le-Frith.

Councillor Perkins advised that Derbyshire County Council have confirmed that they will clean the path to the rear of the Jolly Carter in Chapel-en-le-Frith.

The Clerk was asked to report litter on the slip road off the A6 by-pass onto Sheffield Road, Chapel-en-le-Frith and ask for a litter pick.

A letter has been received from Whaley Bridge Town Council re-seeking support for the re-trunking of the A6. The Clerk was asked to seek clarification over what this would achieve.

Derbyshire County Council have advised that an Emergency Temporary Road Closure has been issued for Eccles Road, Chapel-en-le-Frith until 8 January 2015 for emergency electrical works.

Derbyshire County Council have advised that Long Lane at Martinside will be closed on 22 March 2015 between 7.30am and 12 noon to facilitate the examination of a bridge structure.

Derbyshire County Council have advised that Meadow Lane, Dove Holes from its junction with Long Lane to its junction with Station Road will be closed from 3 March 2015 to 5 March 2015. Between 08:30hrs and 15:00hrs to facilitate carriageway resurfacing works.

15/306 Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 2 December 2014

Minutes numbered 15/273 to 15/294 were presented.

15/287 – Councillor Brook was representing the Parish Council and not the Friends of Chapel Station.

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

15/307 Minutes of the Planning Meeting held on 3 December 2014

Minutes numbered 15/295 to 15/300 were presented.

15/300 was a repetition of matter dealt with in 15/294 and therefore removed with all members being in favour of the action.

RESOLVED: That the Chairman be authorised to sign the Minutes as being a true and correct record after minute number 15/300 was amended.

15/308 Matters arising from the above Minutes

Members of the Planning Committee were asked not to deal with matters outside their remit as not all members of the Council attend the Planning Committee.

It was agreed that the Chairman, Vice Chairman and Clerk would look at the terms of reference of the Planning Committee and report back to members.

15/277 – Derbyshire County Council have reported that due to reductions in highway budgets they would not be able to sanction any work to the footpaths on Sheffield Road, Chapel-en-le-Frith. Priority is being given to high usage pedestrian footpaths.

Details of the new Quality Council Status have been received from NALC together with an indication of the costs. It was agreed that the Council should apply for Foundation Status at no cost until 2016.

The Clerk was asked to chase the following outstanding matters:

- Awaited response from Network Rail regarding the changes to the platform at Chapel South Station.
- Awaited response from Environmental Health regarding the use of an external wood burning stove on Hayfield road, chapel-en-le-frith.
- Awaited response regarding the redundant telegraph pole by the August Moon take away in Chapel-en-le-Frith.

15/309 Neighbourhood Plan

The Examiner for the Neighbourhood Plan has been formally appointed and is in receipt of all the evidence.

The Examination of the Plan will take place in January and at this stage the Examiner has not indicated if she intends to hold a public meeting. Members were of the view that a public meeting would be welcomed.

15/310 Economic Regeneration

All members were circulated with a copy of the Economic Regeneration Progress report.

Due to the Christmas period the paper has not been submitted to the Regeneration Committee and members were asked if they were prepared to consider the paper or if they wished it to be put before the Regeneration Committee first.

All members were in favour of accepting the report at the meeting, which was agreed and that the tendering process be commenced.

15/311 Outside Bodies

Councillor Brook advised that an invitation has been made to a candidate to fill the vacant post of Community Rail Project Manager.

It was agreed that a letter be sent to the outgoing Project Manager to thank him for the support given during his tenure.

Councillor Brook also advised that he will be attending a meeting regarding the Northern Franchise.

Councillor Martin reported on the Peak Park Parishes Forum and the forthcoming programme of meetings and training.

Councillor Harrison reported that the new Chief Executive of the Peak District National Park Authority will take up the position at the end of January 2015.

Councillor Street reported that she has been co-opted on the local NHS Area Community Hub.

15/312 Town Hall

Workmen undertaking repairs to the roof on the Memorial Club advised that there was a loose slate on the Town Hall roof that needed re-fixing. They offered to do this repair for £40 whilst they had scaffolding in place. This has been paid from Petty Cash and all members were in agreement.

The Clerk was asked to write to the Contractor regarding the remaining tiles that need completion in the toilets.

A member of the public has complained that the Parish Office was closed on Christmas Eve and this was noted.

The Clerk was asked to pass on comments to the staff regarding the excellent standard of cleaning in the Town Hall.

15/313 Parks and Open Spaces

A letter has been received from High Peak Borough Council advising that noise monitoring equipment was installed in a property adjacent to the Memorial Park, Chapel-en-le-Frith following a complaint of noise nuisance from the MUGA.

Following the investigation the complainant was advised that any noise emanating from the MUGA did not constitute a statutory noise nuisance.

A complaint has been received from a member of the public when his grand child was knocked over by a dog off a lead in the Memorial Park. The Amenities Committee are currently looking at the issue of dogs in the Memorial Park and in particular new legislation and dog training. In the interim it was agreed that polite notices be placed on the gates leading into the Memorial Park asking users to keep their dogs on a lead.

The new play equipment at Sparrowpit has been installed.

The Amenities Committee are currently in consultation with the Friends of the Park Group regarding a staged replacement of play equipment in the Memorial Park.

Quotes are currently being obtained for drainage work at the Combs Play Area.

15/314 Allotments

The Clerk advised members that Mr Savage is retiring as Secretary of the Courses Allotment Society and it was agreed that a letter of thanks be sent to him.

Allotment holders at Dove Holes have thanked the Council for clearing rubbish from the entrance to the site.

15/315 Nat West Bank Closure

Members felt that it would not be realistic to ask that the Bank remains open when other measures have been put in place to assist customers. However, they were concerned about the future use of the building in the Conservation Area and the continued service from the Cash Machine.

15/316 Dates for Budget Meetings

It was agreed that the budget meetings will take place on 29th January 2015.

15/317 Correspondence

A copy of the Local Plan Programme has been received from High Peak Borough Council. Members will be circulated with a copy.

A letter has been received from Churches Together seeking a grant for use of the Annexe for the Lent Lunches which will run from 19th February to 26th March 2015. It was agreed to grant free use of the Annexe as requested but that in future any application for grant aid should be made when the Council advertises for applications.

15/318 Schedule of Accounts presented for payment

The Clerk submitted a list of accounts for which cheques numbered 007284 to 007300 amounting to £10,699.02 has been drawn.

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

15/319 Any Other Business

It was noted that the Chestnut Centre had featured in a recent television programme about Derbyshire.

15/320 Press Releases

Request that dog owners keep dogs on a lead in the Memorial Park.

15/321 Business transacted after the exclusion of the public and Press

None.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 21.45 hours

CHAIRMAN

CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 3 FEBRUARY 2015

Meeting Held: Tuesday 3 February 2015 in the Annexe of the Town Hall,
Chapel-en-le-Frith

Present: Councillor L McCarthy in the Chair.
Mrs H Batterbee, J Brook, M Evanson, FP Harrison, G Martin,
Mrs M Morrison, T Norton, J Perkins, M Smith, Mrs J
Street and S Young.

In Attendance: Mrs SE Stockdale - Clerk of the Council
PCSO K Green
PCSO P Findlay-Wilson

Apologies: Councillor RN Bradbury.

At the commencement of the meeting there were no members of the public and no members of the press present.

Rev D Leach said prayers.

15/337 Declarations of Interest

None.

15/338 Police Matters

The Police advised that there had been 23 offences reported in January 2015 compared with 12 in January 2014.

Members were concerned that the 17m budget cut to Derbyshire Constabulary in 2015/16 and the reduction in staff hours, duties and Police Stations could lead to further increases in reported crimes.

Whilst members were conscious that the crime rates in the Parish are low compared with national figures it is important that a responsive Police force is maintained in High Peak. It was agreed that the Clerk would write to the Chief Constable to underline this point.

The recent Safer Neighbourhood Meeting agreed that the priority of combating anti-social behaviour should continue.

15/339 Open Forum

There were no members of the public wishing to address the Council.

15/340 M.P., County Councillors, Borough Councillors

Councillor Street advised members that the County Council had taken on board her comments regarding the pre planning inquiry for land at the rear of Chapel-en-le-Frith High School and incorporated them in their comments to the developer.

She also reported that the concerns that the Council had regarding Chapel Gate had been passed on to the Rights of Way Officer.

Derbyshire County Council is expecting a further reduction in funding from Central Government.

Derbyshire County Council is now the Flood Authority.

There will be public meetings held during March 2015 regarding Community Hubs and members are urged to attend.

15/341 Highways, Public Footpaths, Public Services and Parish Improvements

Derbyshire County Council have advised that Public Footpath 124 will be closed from the junction with Forge Road, Whitehough and the Peak Forest Tramway from 6 February 2015 to 5 August 2015 to facilitate public safety during construction works.

Derbyshire County Council have advised that the one way section of Burrfields Road, Chapel-en-le-Frith will be closed from 10th – 17th March 2015 to facilitate electrical overlay works. The Clerk was asked to contact the Highway Authority to ask that adequate signage be installed by the Kings Arms Hotel to avoid vehicles wanting to use Burrfields turning onto the Market place.

Notice of confirmation of a Public Path Order has been received to confirm the diversion of part of public bridleway 181 at Moulton Farm Cottage, Whitehough.

Derbyshire County Council have responded to the Councils submission regarding repairs to Chapel Gate BOAT 144 to advise that barriers cannot be erected on the route owing to the legislation not permitting barriers on a route of this status, together with the fact the route needs to be available for horse and carriage or that class of user.

The estimated cost of the project is currently £40,000 and funded by central government.

Members were concerned about the snow clearance and gritting of footpaths. The Clerk confirmed that the Parish Council staff had undertaken gritting on three occasions over the winter period under the Snow Warden scheme. During the most recent snowfall there was only one member of staff on duty and he was unable to get into work due to the heavy snowfall. A part time member of staff came in on a day off to assist with gritting. Members considered whether to purchase a manual grit spreader which would cost approximately £850 and it was agreed that the benefits did not outweigh the cost.

Residents of Hayfield Road, Chapel-en-le-Frith have reported an increase in traffic following the opening of the Aldi Store at Forresters Way. It was agreed that this should be monitored to see if it settled down once the store becomes established.

15/342 Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 6 January 2015

Minutes numbered 15/301 to 15/321 were presented.

It was agreed that the minutes should have included the suspension of Standing Orders to allow the Vice Chairman to take the Chair at the meeting as the Chairman was present.

RESOLVED: That the Chairman be authorised to sign the Minutes as being a true and correct record after the above amendment is made.

15/343 Minutes of the Planning Meeting held on 7 January 2015

Minutes numbered 15/322 to 15/327 were presented.

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

15/344 Minutes of the Town Hall Committee held on 29 January 2015

Minutes numbered 15/328 to 15/334 were presented.

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

15/345 Minutes of the Amenities Committee held on 29 January 2015

Minutes numbered 15/335 were presented.

The Committee was not quorate and all members were in favour of accepting the recommendations made at the meeting.

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

15/346 Minutes of the F&GP Committee held on 29 January 2015

Minutes numbered 15/336 were presented.

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

15/347 Matters arising from the above Minutes

Confirmation has been received from NALC that the Council will be awarded Free Foundation status for one year, which will expire in January 2016.

The following response has been received from Northern Rail regarding Chapel South Station:

Level crossing arrangements.

Network Rail did some work towards the end of last year to improve the safety of the Manchester end of the station and prevent people walking straight onto the running lines as there had been several instances of near misses where customers had walked in front of trains ignorant of the risk. The new arrangements ensure that customers are directed off the platform onto the road to then negotiate the gated crossing. They did ask for some signage to be erected to indicate the new exit but this has not yet been undertaken. They have asked that this is rectified as soon as possible.

Gritting.

The cleaning and maintenance contractor performs all winterisation activities. Their control centre monitors temperature based on several local forecasts and uses to worst case scenario to identify locations where the temperature is forecast to drop to below 1 degree C. They then mobilise their teams to grit the stations, car park and approach roads. Chapel-en-le-Frith is one of the stations where a vehicle mounted spreader is used for the approach and car park. All winterisation activities are recorded daily.

The Friends of Chapel Station have a meeting planned with Network Rail to discuss that crossing issues and the Chairman of the Friends of the Station Group will report back to the Council.

Derbyshire County Council have confirmed that they have powers in the Highways Act 1980 to take action against people who damage the highways which could be used in relation to Frith View, Chapel-en-le-Frith. To do this it would have to be proved who has caused the damage and in most cases they are not able to gain enough evidence to take enforcement action. It was noted that several areas where the verges have been damaged is due to driveways being made wider with no dropped kerb. The Clerk was asked to see if Derbyshire County Council can take action under these circumstances.

The Environmental Health Officer has confirmed that the wood burning stove at a property to the rear of Hayfield Road, Chapel-en-le-Frith will be investigated.

Whaley Bridge Town Council have confirmed that their reason for seeking support for the re-trunking of the A6 is because they understand it would become the responsibility of the Highways Agency. Members did not feel that this information was correct and therefore declined to support the request.

The Chairman of the Planning Committee advised members that she attended the site visit that the Planning Inspector made in respect of 141 Manchester Road, Chapel-en-le-Frith.

It was agreed that the Amenities Committee would look at other ways of funding a lengths man for the Parish.

Members felt that the developer of the former Memorial Club should rebuild the wall discussed at the Committee and it was also hoped that this would be a planning condition.

15/348 2015/16 Precept

Councillor Norton proposed and Councillor Martin seconded that the Parish Precept for 2015/16 be set at £102,876.00, which is a zero increase on 2010/11, 2011/12, 2012/13, 2014/15 and 2015/16 Precept and sustaining a Parish Rate of £35.45 on a Band D property. The concurrent function grant being confirmed at £56,726.00 and Council Tax Support Grant of £9,705.00.

RESOLVED: That the 2015/16 Precept be set at £102,876.00 subject to receiving the Council Tax Support Grant of £9,705.00 and the Concurrent Function Grant for Parks and Open Spaces of £56,726.00

15/349 Neighbourhood Plan

Members were given a copy of the Examiner's report on the Neighbourhood Plan and a meeting will be held with High Peak Borough Council to discuss the next steps for the Plan.

The Chairman and Clerk have a meeting with High Peak Borough Council on 9 February 2015 and following that a meeting of the Neighbourhood Plan Working Group will be called.

15/350 Economic Regeneration

It was agreed that this item should be taken in part 2 for confidential contract reasons.

15/351 Terms of Reference

The Chairman, Vice Chairman and Clerk have met to write Terms of Reference for the Planning Committee. It was agreed that an amendment be made to the wording regarding attendance of the Planning Committee.

It was agreed that Conservation Areas be removed from the Planning Committee agenda and dealt with at the Full Council under item 5 on the agenda.

The Chairman of the Committee was asked to ensure that Members attending the Planning Committee only raise matters that pertain to planning and do not raise general matters.

15/352 DALC Circulars

The Department for Communities and Local Government have laid a legislative reform order on 12 January 2015 in Parliament to allow Town and Parish Councils to use electronic communications to send agendas, which came into force on 30 January 2015.

It was agreed that it would not be practical to send agendas electronically for meetings other than the planning meeting unless specifically requested. Members were asked to inform that Clerk if they wish to receive agendas and papers electronically.

15/353 Parks and Open Spaces

Members have been asked to agree plans drawn up on behalf of the Bowling Club for new toilets in the Memorial Park for the specific use of the Bowling Club.

Councillor Norton declared he was a member of the Bowling Club and Councillor Harrison declared that he was the President. Both members left the room whilst the discussion took place.

Members felt that prior to a planning application being submitted adequate screening needs to be indicated on the plans as the area is overlooked by residential properties.

Members agreed to the plans subject to screening on the following conditions:

- That the planning application is submitted by the Bowling Club and the costs incurred be paid by the Bowling Club.
- That an electric sub meter be installed and the Bowling Club pay the cost of electricity used.
- That the Bowling Club apply for grant funding to cover all the costs and satisfy the Council that this is place before the project commences.
- When the building is completed it will become the property of the Parish Council who will then undertake future maintenance.

It was agreed that the Clerk should write to the Secretary of the Bowling Club outlining the terms as agreed above.

The Amenities Committee are to arrange a date to meet with the Friends of the Park to agree the new play equipment for the Memorial Park.

15/354 Street naming

High Peak Borough Council are seeking suggestions for street names for the following developments:

Development at Forge Road, Chinley

Members suggested that street names incorporating the following be suggested:

Dorma

Forge Mill

Nursery – in relation to the Nursery provision on site

Outram – in relation to the person involved in the construction of the Peak Forest Tramway which is adjacent to the site.

Development at Manchester Road, Chapel-en-le-Frith.

Members suggested that street names incorporating the following be suggested:

Orchid – as wild orchids were prevalent on the site in the past and any other wildflowers that may have been noted in the SSI statement.

15/355 Local Council Awards Scheme

It was agreed that the F & GP Committee consider this in October with a view to making a submission in January 2016 when the free Foundation Status expires.

15/356 Correspondence

An email has been received from the Peak Park Parishes Forum regarding the Erocia Britannia Cycle Race that is due to take place in June 2015 and asking that if Councils have any concerns about the route they make comments to the Peak District National Park Authority.

High Peak Borough Council have produced the Election Timetable which has been circulated to all Members.

A letter of thanks has been received from Churches Together thanking the Council in respect of the grant made towards the 2015 Lent Lunches.

Members have been invited to the Chapel-en-le-Frith Golf Club for tea and biscuits on either Wednesday 4th February or 11th February at 11am to discuss ways in which the club and its members can integrate more with the local community.

A letter has been received from St Thomas Becket Parish Church advising that the new incumbent has been appointed and seeking grant aid assistance. It was agreed that any request for grant should be dealt with at the appropriate time and that a letter be sent to welcome the new Vicar when he takes up the post.

15/357 Schedule of Accounts presented for payment

The Clerk submitted a list of accounts for which cheques numbered 007301 to 007318 amounting to £22,549.85 has been drawn.

Members were concerned at the cost of repairs to mowing equipment and the Clerk was asked to speak to the staff concerned.

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

15/358 Any Other Business

The Clerk advised that she would be required to attend the Local Plan Hearing on 4 February 2015.

Councillor Martin advised that he was seeking details from members of the public who had relatives who served in WW2 to add to the information being gathered to compile a book detailing all those who served in both Wars.

15/359 Press Releases

Traffic management of Hayfield Road, Chapel-en-le-Frith

Precept.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 21.55 hours

CHAIRMAN

CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 3 MARCH 2015

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Present: Councillor L McCarthy in the Chair.
Councillors RN Bradbury, Mrs H Batterbee, M Evanson, G Martin, Mrs M Morrison, T Norton, J Perkins, M Smith, Mrs J Street and S Young.

In Attendance: Mrs SE Stockdale - Clerk of the Council
PC Crossthwaite

Apologies: Councillors J Brook and FP Harrison

At the commencement of the meeting there were no members of the public and no members of the press present.

Rev D Leach said prayers.

15/370 Declarations of Interest

None.

15/371 Police Matters

The Police advised that there had been 15 offences reported in February 2015 compared with 11 in February 2014.

Members were again concerned that the low detection rate may correspond to reduced staffing levels.

Councillor Norton reported that as part of a cost cutting exercise the Chief Constable is proposing to move the Traffic Police from Buxton to Ripley. Given that there are some of the most dangerous roads in the County in High Peak with the highest fatality rate it was felt that this was a retrograde step. In addition Traffic Police are trained in the use of Tasers and have in the past provided a valuable back up in this respect to local Officers.

It was agreed that the Clerk should write to the Chief Constable to express the concerns of the Council.

15/372 Open Forum

There were no members of the public wishing to speak in the Open Forum.

15/373 M.P., County Councillors, Borough Councillors

Councillor Street advised members that the local Highways Area Manager is due to retire and it was agreed that the Clerk should write to him to thank him for his assistance with highway matters over the years.

Derbyshire County Council are progressing the Road Traffic Order for Quentin Road, Chapel-en-le-Frith and will be re-consulting with residents on Long Lane, Chapel-en-le-Frith.

The road safety officer at Derbyshire County Council is looking at possible signage to alleviate the impact of increased traffic on Hayfield Road following the opening of the Aldi Store. It was suggested that the declassification of the road could be considered or a reduced speed limit.

A members wishing to make comment on the Community Hub Consultation should make them direct to the Clinical Commissioning Trust.

Councillor Norton reported that High Peak Borough Council have agreed the concurrent function grants to Town and Parish Councils.

The Borough Council voted in favour of a Combined Derbyshire Authority.

A grant it to be made to the new owners of the Kings Arms Public House in relation to the exterior of the property.

Councillor Young reported that a special meeting of High Peak Borough Council has been called for 9 March 2015 to discuss the Examiner's report on the Neighbourhood Plan and the Peak District National Park Authority will meet on 13th March in this respect.

The earliest date a Referendum could be held is July 2015 due to national and local elections.

15/374 Highways, Public Footpaths, Public Services and Parish Improvements

The Clerk was asked to contact Derbyshire County Council to ascertain if the review of parking on Hayfield Road West has taken place as there appears to be a clear demand for resident parking.

High Peak Borough Council are investigating flooding at Combs Road due to blocked culverts under the road and it is felt that this has been caused in part by increased water levels in Combs Reservoir.

Councillor Street advised that she would raise the issue of litter picking on the A6 by-pass with officers at Derbyshire County Council.
It was agreed that a volunteer litter picking group be set up with Members and residents and the Clerk was asked to check the insurance implications.

The Clerk was asked to contact High Peak Borough Council to arrange for the road sweeper to visit Bowden Lane and the entrance to the Bowden Hey Industrial site.

15/375 Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 3 February 2015

Minutes numbered 15/337 to 15/360 were presented.

RESOLVED: That the Chairman be authorised to sign the Minutes as being a true and correct record after the above amendment is made.

15/376 Minutes of the Planning Meeting held on 4 February 2015

Minutes numbered 15/361 to 15/365 were presented.

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

15/377 Minutes of the Neighbourhood Plan Working Group held on 17 February 2015

Minutes numbered 15/366 were presented.

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

15/378 Minutes of the Amenities Committee held on 25 February 2015

Minutes numbered 15/367 to 15/369 were presented.

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

15/379 Matters arising from the above Minutes

High Peak Borough Council Environmental Health Department have advised that they will continue to monitor the wood burning stove emissions at a commercial property on Hayfield Road, Chapel-en-le-Frith.

The High Peak Borough Council Development Control Committee have placed a condition on the Planning Permission for the former Memorial Club that the wall between the property and the Town Hall be built of natural stone.

It was noted that the Chapel Bowling Club will be submitting revised plans in respect of the proposed new toilet building due to costs,

The Peak District National Park Authority will be notifying all Council of proposed events taking place in the National Park and requesting comments via a new website. It was noted that the provision of Marshall's at large events such as cycling events is something that needs to be addressed.

Derbyshire County Council have confirmed to Whaley Bridge Town Council that Truck Roads in Derbyshire are the responsibility of the Highways Agency who manage and maintain the Truck Road network.

15/380 Neighbourhood Plan

The Chairman of the Planning Committee moved that members accepted the Examiner's Report to allow the Neighbourhood Plan to move forward to Referendum.

She thanks all those who had been involved in the process of the preparation of the Neighbourhood Plan:

Chapel Vision Steering Committee and Working Groups
High Peak Borough Council
Peak District National Park Authority
Chairman and Members of the Parish Council
Clerk to the Council

The Examiner had commented that the level of consultation had been over and above what was necessary and that future growth had been addressed in the Plan.

It was noted that the Examiners comments will offer more protection for the period of the Plan but that some local residents may be disappointed by some of the proposed amendments to conform to local and national planning policies.

The Plan will now be given substantial weight by planning officers in the determination of planning applications.

Councillor McCarthy proposed and Councillor Martin seconded that the Examiner's Report be accepted and that High Peak Borough Council be asked to take the Plan forward to referendum. All members were in favour.

The Clerk was asked to confirm that rules regarding the promotion of a 'YES' vote.

The Communications Committee will meet to formulate a press release and a special edition of the newsletter regarding the Plan.

15/381 Economic Regeneration

The Clerk advised members that the 2014/15 Regeneration Grant has been claimed from High Peak Borough Council together with the agreed roll over from 2013/14.

A contract has been placed with Professor Marc Day as previously discussed.

15/382 Terms of Reference

The Terms of Reference were amended to replace the wording 'member of the public' with 'individual'.

It was agreed that the Planning Agenda be amended to read public speaking on planning applications being considered.

15/383 Outside Bodies

Councillor Morrison advised that she had attended a meeting of Chapel Arts who are looking for premises to display art work and the possibility of another pop up shop.

Councillor Evanson advised that he had met with CPRE and Cambridge Architectural Research which are undertaking a study on fuel poverty and energy resources and several projects in the Parish will be involved in the study.

15/384 Town Hall

The Chairman of the Town Hall Committee advised that the new toilets have now been completed.

The Clerk was asked to speak to Derbyshire County Council about their staff parking on the Town Hall frontage with a view to adding to the service charge.

Delivery of skips to the back of the Memorial Club have caused damaged to the new drainage system at the rear of the Town Hall and the Clerk will make a claim on the skip company concerned and write to the developer to complain.

The owner of Sunday School Lane has confirmed that he will contact the new owners of the Memorial Club to remind them that they have no right of access along Sunday School Lane.

15/385 Parks and Open Spaces

Councillor Martin proposed and Councillor Morrison seconded that the quoted as present to the Amenities Committee from Wicksteed for new play equipment be accepted. All members were in favour.

RESOLVED: That an order be placed with Wicksteed for Option 2 as presented to the Amenities Committee.

It was agreed that the lowest quote for the drainage work at Combs Play Area be accepted.

Councillor Norton declared an interest as a member of the Chapel Bowling Club and advised members that the request to open the bowling green early was due to league fixture timings.

15/386 Correspondence

The Peak National Park Authority have written to advise the new arrangements for the election of Parish Members.

15/387 Schedule of Accounts presented for payment

The Clerk submitted a list of accounts for which cheques numbered 007319 to 007347 amounting to £15,685.46 has been drawn.

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

15/388 Any Other Business

None

15/389 Press Releases

Neighbourhood Plan progress to referendum

Relocation of the Traffic Police to Ripley

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 21.15 hours

CHAIRMAN

CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 7 APRIL 2015

Meeting Held: Tuesday 7 April 2015 in the Annexe of the Town Hall, Chapel-en-le-Frith

Present: Councillor L McCarthy in the Chair.

Councillors RN Bradbury, J Brook Mrs H Batterbee, FP
Harrison G Martin, Mrs M Morrison, Mrs J Street and S Young.

In Attendance: Mrs SE Stockdale - Clerk of the Council
PC Crossthwaite

Apologies: Councillors M Evanson, T Norton, J Perkins, and M
Smith.

At the commencement of the meeting there were two members of the public and no members of the press present.

Rev D Leach said prayers.

15/408 Declarations of Interest

Councillor Martin declared an interest as a member of DALC.

Councillor Bradbury declared an interest as a member of Chapel-en-le-Frith Golf Club.

15/409 Police Matters

Inspector Coey has responded on behalf of the Chief Constable regarding the concerns raised by the Council regarding crime and detection rates. He has indicated that the Parish is one of the safest places to live and work in Derbyshire and the Police will continue to ensure the highest quality of investigation, prevention and detection of crime.

There were no Police Officers present at the meeting.

15/410 Open Forum

Tim Hesketh and Carol Laing attended from Chapel-en-le-Frith Golf Club. The Golf Club have a place in the community and their facilities are open to all, including the bar, restaurant and function suite.

The Club are looking to encourage junior members in their junior academy and have won a golf mark award in this respect. It was noted that this was something that the Club have not always been good at in the past.

An Open Day will be held on 16 May 2015 and all the community are encouraged to attend.

The Golf Club are looking to see what they can do to be more integrated in the local community.

It was agreed that information about the Golf Club could be included in the Council's 'Welcome Pack' and on the Tourist Information leaflet racks.

Councillor Brook thanked Councillor McCarthy on behalf of the Council and residents of the Parish for his service to the Parish Council and in particular the work to enable the completion of the Neighbourhood Plan during his term of office as Chairman. Also the benefit the Council has had from his past expertise in Local Government

which has enabled the Council to become stronger and more effective. Members wished him well for the future as he will not be seeking re-election in May.

15/411 M.P., County Councillors, Borough Councillors

Councillor Street reported that she has spoken to the County Council regarding a litter pick on the A6 by-pass and whether there is a need for a road closure order. The initial comments from the Healthy and Safety Officer were that this should not be needed but further investigations will be made.

It was agreed that the Clerk write to High Peak Borough Council to ask for an urgent litter pick.

There has been a change of personnel in the roll out of high speed broadband at Derbyshire County Council and the programme is approximately 6 months behind. There will be a review in July 2015.

Councillor Street advised that she will give some of her Community Leadership Fund towards the new play equipment in the Memorial Park which will be used to provide additional equipment for disabled children.

Councillor Young reported that there have been no meetings of the Borough Council since the last meeting.

The Development Control Committee will now be held on 20 April 2015 and it is anticipated that a major development in the Parish will be on the agenda for the meeting.

Councillor Young advised that he has reported to the Conservation Officer two new internally lit signs in the Conservation Area that require permission and concrete stumps that have been erected in front of the former Primitive Methodist Chapel.

15/412 Highways, Public Footpaths, Public Services and Parish Improvements

Councillor Smith has emailed a list of areas where litter is a problem following the discussions at the last Full Council Meeting.

- The area surrounding Morrison's, particularly at the entrance from the Burrfields path to the car park and also in the area behind the fence on the Burrfields path and on the bank above the brook
- Area between Foresters' Way and the Fallow Deer.
- The verges all along the A6 from Chapel-en-le-Frith to Whaley Bridge.

Derbyshire County Council have advised that they are happy with the white lining in the centre of Whitehough by the Well and have suggested that the Council may wish to erect a polite notice regarding parking.

Derbyshire County Council have advised that the BOAT No 144 will be closed until 30 September 2015 due to maintenance work.

Derbyshire County Council have forwarded details of the proposed Road Traffic Regulation Order for Long Lane, Chapel-en-le-Frith for comment by 17 April 2015.

There is an issue with street lighting on Long Lane, Chapel-en-le-Frith as a number of lights are not working. There are poles that have been erected and are waiting to be connected as part of the new development. It is hoped that when the second development commences on Long Lane, that additional lighting will be provided.

A resident has asked if the Council will nominate him to be the Flood Warden in Whitehough. Councillor Harrison proposed that he is nominated and all members were in agreement.

There is a problem again with litter on Public Footpath 61 adjacent to Chapel-en-le-Frith High School and the Clerk was asked to take the matter up with the School.

The County Councillor was thanked for her assistance in respect of dealing with recent flooding at the puffin crossing on High Street, Chapel-en-le-Frith.

The mirror opposite the Kings Arms Hotel will need to be replaced in the near future as it is becoming tarnished and water from one of the adjacent properties is causing deterioration to the post.

Derbyshire County Council have reached an agreement with the developers of 'The Meadows' estate in Dove Holes regarding the adoption of the highway.

The Clerk was asked to contact High Peak Borough Council to report that Seddons have not re-instated the entrance to the linear footpath off Long Lane, Chapel-en-le-Frith to an acceptable standard.

15/413 Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 3 March 2015

Minutes numbered 15/370 to 15/390 were presented.

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

15/414 Minutes of the Planning Meeting held on 4 & 31 March 2015

Minutes numbered 15/391 to 15/396 and 15/402 to 15/407 were presented.

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

15/415 Minutes of the Communications Committee held on 17 March 2015

Minutes numbered 15/397 to 15/401 were presented.

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

15/416 Matters arising from the above Minutes

There were no matters arising from the Full Council minutes.

The planning enforcement of the Camp Site in Chapel-en-le-Frith has not yet taken place and is currently with the legal department at High Peak Borough Council.

Some items were removed from the Newsletter due to purdah rules in the run up to the elections.

15/417 Neighbourhood Plan

The Clerk supplied members with details of the publicity rules regarding the Neighbourhood Plan referendum.

The DCLG have been contacted to ask that High Peak Borough Council should not determine any large planning applications in the Parish until the Referendum has been held in accordance with the recent ruling by the Secretary of State on the Haddenam Neighbourhood Plan.

15/418 Economic Regeneration

Professor Marc Day has completed his draft report and members will be circulated with a copy of the final report in due course.

15/419 Outside Bodies

Councillor Morrison advised that she had attended a meeting of Chapel Arts who have arranged a concert on 18 April 2015 to be held in the Town Hall, Chapel-en-le-Firth.

Councillor Street reported that she had been unable to attend that last Quarries Liaison Meeting but concerns about people swimming in flooded quarries had been raised at the meeting where the local Police were present. She has also raised the issue with the Safeguarding Officer at Derbyshire County Council who will issue letters to schools.

15/420 Town Hall and 47/49 Market Street

It was agreed that the Clerk and Councillor Mrs Batterbee should arrange to meet with the Councils Solicitors regarding the lease for 47/49 Market Street, Chapel-en-le-Frith.

15/421 DALC Circulars and Correspondence

Members were circulated with details of the new DALC subscription rates and training delivery. Councillor Martin proposed and Councillor McCarthy seconded that the Council should take up the group 2 option which includes training delivery. All members were in favour.

Confirmation has been received that the Council has been awarded the Foundation Award for 1 year until January 2016 and the certificate was presented at the DALC Spring Seminar.

The Government have announced a consultation to extend the remit of the Local Government Ombudsman to larger parish and town councils and the date for responses is 30 June 2015.

15/422 Parks and Open Spaces

An email has been received from the Carnival Committee to advise that this year's carnival will be held on 20th June. Permission is sought to hold the Pet Show in the Memorial Park on Sunday 21st June.

Also members are asked to judge the floats at 11.30am on the day of the carnival.

A letter of complaint has been received regarding dogs not being kept under control in the Memorial Park. This has been highlighted in the recent newsletter.

The drainage work at the Combs play area has been completed

The new play equipment for the Memorial Park has been ordered.

The majority of the work at the Sparrowpit play area has been completed with the re-painting of the existing play equipment being the only outstanding work.

It was agreed that the Council should issue a press release on all three areas when work has been completed.

15/423 Allotments

The Clerk was asked to write to Federal Mogul regarding the new Lease asking why the matter is taking so long to complete.

15/424 Correspondence

A letter has been received from the University of Derby advising that they have a community fund which awards grants across Derbyshire for community projects.

The next Derbyshire County Council Parish Liaison meeting will take place on 22 June 2015 at 6pm at County Hall, Matlock.

15/425 Schedule of Accounts presented for payment

The Clerk submitted a list of accounts for which cheques numbered 007348 to 007674 amounting to £12,584.93 has been drawn.

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

It was agreed that an arrangement be made at the Royal Bank of Scotland to allow the Assistant Clerk to cash the petty cash cheque on a monthly basis.

The Internal Audit will take place on Tuesday 26th May 2015.

15/426 Any Other Business

The Chairman on behalf of the Council thanked Councillor Perkins for his contribution to the work of the Council over the last 4 years which has added to the life of the community and Parish Council. As Councillor Perkins was not present at the meeting the Clerk was asked to write to him in this respect.

Members were reminded that the Annual Parish Meeting will be held on 17 April 2015.

15/427 Press Releases

Issues with litter around the Parish and on the A6 By-Pass.

15/428 Business transacted after the exclusion of the public and Press

None.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 21.05 hours

CHAIRMAN

CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING HELD ON 12 MAY 2015

Meeting Held: Tuesday 12 May 2015 of the Annexe of the Town Hall, Chapel-en-le-Frith.

Present: Councillor Mc Carthy in the Chair (1st item only)
Councillors Mrs H Batterbee, J Brook, M Evanson, FP
Harrison, G Martin, Mrs M Morrison, Mrs J Street and S Young.

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

Ms E Shiels – Assistant Clerk

Apologies: Councillors RN Bradbury, T Norton and M Smith

At the commencement of the meeting there were no members of the public or press present.

Prayers were said by Rev Leach.

Councillor McCarthy took the Chair for the first item on the agenda and thanked all the members, staff and the Rev Leach for the support given to him during his term of office as Chairman of the Council.

16/1 Election of Chairman

The first item of business transacted was the election of Chairman. Councillor McCarthy proposed and Councillor Harrison seconded that Councillor J Brook be elected as Chairman.

There being no further nominations it was therefore

RESOLVED: That Councillor J Brook be elected as Chairman of the Parish Council for the period to the next Annual Meeting of the Council.

Councillor Brook took the Chair for the remainder of the meeting.

Councillor Brook thanked members for nominating him as Chairman and he looked forward to working together over the next year and stated that one of his aims will be to look at the Community Plan now that the Neighbourhood Plan is in its final stage.

16/2 Appointment of Vice Chairman

Councillor Mrs Batterbee proposed and Councillor Harrison seconded that Councillor T Norton be elected as Vice Chairman.

There being no further nominations it was therefore

RESOLVED: That Councillor T Norton be elected as Vice Chairman of the Parish Council for the period to the next Annual Meeting of the Council.

16/3 Police Matters

There were no Police Officers present at the meeting.

A request has been made that a street light on Rowton Grange Road, Chapel-en-le-Frith be left lit at night due to a number of burglaries in the area and because the stretch of road is very dark when the light goes off. A request has been passed to Derbyshire County Council in this respect and the County Councillor said that she would also support the request.

16/4 Open Forum

There were no members of the public wishing to speak in the Open Forum.

16/5 Dates and times of Meetings of the Parish Council

RESOLVED: That for the period until the next Annual Meeting of the Council, Ordinary Meetings of the Council will be held on the first Tuesday of each month in the Annexe of the Town Hall, Chapel-en-le-Frith, commencing at 7.30pm.

RESOLVED: That the next Annual General Meeting of the Council be held on Tuesday 3 May 2016.

RESOLVED: That the Annual Parish Meeting be held on Wednesday 20th April 2016 at 7.30pm.

16/6 Membership of Committees

RESOLVED: That for the period until the next Annual Meeting of the Council the Membership of Committees of the Council be as follows and that the vacant positions be addressed when the co-option of a new member has been concluded: -

Planning Committee	Each member of the Council except Councillor Mrs H Batterbee and those Councillors who serve on the High Peak Borough Council Development Control committee.	
Amenities Committee	Councillors RN Bradbury, FP Harrison, M Evanson, G Martin, Mrs M Morrison and Street.	Mrs J
Town Hall Committee	Councillors Mrs H Batterbee, F P Harrison, Martin, T Norton, M Smith and Mrs J Street.	G
F & GP Committee	Councillors RN Bradbury, J Brook, F P Harrison, Martin, M Morrison, T Norton, M Smith and S Young. (2 vacancies)	G (2)
Health and Safety Committee	Councillors G Martin, T Norton, Chairman and Clerk. (1 vacancy).	
Personnel Committee	Councillors Mrs H Batterbee, FP Harrison, T Norton. (1 vacancy) (Any three of four)	and
Disciplinary Committee	Councillors J Brook, G Martin, M Smith and Young (Any three of four)	S

Communications Committee	RN Bradbury, G Martin, Mrs M Morrison, M Smith and Mrs J Street.
Community Awards	J Brook, FP Harrison and G Martin
Regeneration WG	Councillors R N Bradbury, M Evanson, G Martin, Mrs M Morrison, T Norton and Mrs J Street.
New Website Committee	Councillors J Brook, M Evanson and T Norton

It was agreed that the Regeneration Working Group and Website Committee can co-opt members after seeking the agreement of the Full Council, but any co-opted members would not be able to vote.

16/7 Appointment of Representatives to serve on Outside Bodies

RESOLVED: That for the period until the next Annual Meeting of the Council the following members be appointed to serve, or continue to serve as the representatives of the Parish Council on the Outside Bodies indicated.

United Charities and Bowden Head Charity	Councillor FP Harrison to 30.4.2018 Councillor M Smith to 30.4.2018 Councillor Mrs H Batterbee to 30.4.2018 Councillor S Young to 30.4.2018	
Victor Burdekin Trust	Chairman, Clerk, Councillors Mrs Batterbee, Harrison and M Smith	FP
Buxton and District Quarries Liaison	Councillor Mrs J Street	
Leisure Committee	Councillor T Norton Deputy Councillor S Young	
G & S Beresford Trust	Councillors FP Harrison and T Norton	
HP & HVCRP	Councillor J Brook	

16/8 Parish Member appointments to the National Park Authority

Councillor Martin proposed and Councillor Young seconded that Councillor FP Harrison be nominated to represent the High Peak and Metropolitan Area on the Peak District National Park Authority in the forthcoming election of Parish Members.

16/9 Declarations of Interest

Councillor Martin declared an interest in agenda item 14 as his wife is currently being paid by High Peak Borough Council in relation to the type-setting of the final version of the Neighbourhood Plan and item 19 as his is a member of the DALC Executive.

16/10 Matters relating to Highways, Public Footpaths, Public Services and Parish Improvements

The Clerk reported that Derbyshire County Council have advised that the flooding issues in Whitehough do not warrant the appointment of a dedicated Flood Warden for the area.

The Clerk was asked to report that the street lights on the road leading to Chapel South Station are being turned off during the night when it has been agreed that they would be left lit due to the timing of the last train. In addition there have been a number of bags of asbestos dumped at the side of the road when the lights have been off and this is currently being investigated by the Transport Police who are looking at CCTV at the Station.

It was noted that a litter pick of the A6 by-pass has now been undertaken following interventions from Elected Members and a complaint from the Council. It has been reported that some of the litter has been blowing off the refuse collection vehicles and the Clerk was asked to write to High Peak Borough Council to ask them to take this matter up with the Refuse Contractors.

The Clerk was asked to report inappropriate signage on the Hearse House and signs attached to street lights advertising the Car Wash on Long Lane, Chapel-en-le-Frith.

Members were advised that flooding issues at High Street and Hayfield Road, Chapel-en-le-Frith have been reported to the County Council.

The Clerk was asked to contact Derbyshire County Council to ask that they undertake some maintenance work on the mirror opposite the Kings Arms Public House.

16/11 M.P., County Councillors, Borough Councillors

The County Councillor advised that she will ask the County Council to ensure that the Parish Council are consulted when organised cycle events are planned in the Parish. It was noted that the Peak District National Park Authority are in the progress of providing a new website in this respect.

The High Peak Borough Councillor present advised that the Enforcement Officer at High Peak Borough Council will be taking enforcement action in respect of the externally lit sign outside Chapel Spice and that the owners of The Cobbles have been

asked to submit a Planning Application in respect of the external sign on their premises.

16/12 Minutes of the Ordinary meeting held of 7 April 2015

Minutes numbered 15/408 to 15/428 were presented. Minute number 15/409 was amended as there were Police Officers present at the meeting

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

16/13 Minutes of the Planning Committee held on 28 April 2015

Minutes numbered 15/429 to 15/434 were presented.

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

16/14 Matters Arising from the above Minutes

The Peak Park Parish Member has asked the National Park Authority to remove the dilapidated board at the Mam Tor viewpoint as a matter of urgency.

The planning application in respect of the Rose and Crown at Tunstead Milton is pending while civil matters are resolved.

16/15 Neighbourhood Plan

High Peak Borough Council have set a date in July 2015 for the Referendum on the Neighbourhood Plan.

The Clerk was asked to obtain details of how the Referendum would be run and if postal and proxy votes would apply.

16/16 Economic Regeneration

All members have been circulated with a copy of Professor Day's report which was reviewed by the Derbyshire Observatory, High Peak Borough Council and two independent experts before publication.

Councillor Evanson explained that this was a working document to help take the project forward with High Peak Borough Council and Derbyshire County Council to encourage growth and to external funding sources.

The County Councillor asked that copies of the report be made available to the Cabinet Member and Shadow Cabinet Member for Regeneration at Derbyshire County Council together with the appropriate Officers.

The Chairman thanked Councillor Evanson for his input into the project to date.

16/17 Annual Report

Members were circulated with a copy of the 2014/15 Annual Report.

RESOLVED: That the Annual Report is approved.

16/18 Outside Bodies

There were no reports.

16/19 Town Hall and 47/49 Market Street

The Chairman of the Town Hall Committee advised members that the developers of the former Memorial Club had made an application to High Peak Borough Council to discharge a number of conditions, one of which relates to the new wall to be built adjacent to the Town Hall.

The Clerk was asked to write to the developers of the former Memorial Club as the damaged drain at the rear of the Town Hall has not yet been repaired.

16/20 DALC and Nominations for Executive Committee

Councillor Young proposed and Councillor Morrison seconded that Councillor G Martin be nominated for the DALC Executive Committee.

DALC have advised that a resolution must be passed at the Annual Meeting of the Council to confirm that the eligibility criteria is still met to enable the Council to continue using the General Power of Competence.

As two thirds of the total number of Councillors have been elected in the recent elections and the Clerk has the relevant sector specific qualification it was therefore **RESOLVED:** That the Council meets the eligibility criteria to continuing using the General Power of Competence.

16/21 Parks and Open Spaces

The first phase of the new play equipment will be installed in the week commencing 8 June and notices have been put in place to apologise for any disruption during installation.

It was agreed that when a press release and photo are issued they should also include the Borough and County Councillors who have given leadership money towards the project.

It was agreed that a press release and photo be taken at Sparrowpit with a representative from Cemex once the issue with the tarmac has been resolved.

16/22 Allotments

The Secretary of the Courses Allotment Society has reported that Federal Mogul have advised the Society that there are still issues that need to be resolved in relation to the new lease with the Council. The Clerk was asked to write to Federal Mogul as all matters have been agreed.

16/23 Correspondence

High Peak Borough Council have confirmed that the Regeneration Grant of £4,000 is being made available for the financial year 2015/16 on a matched funding basis.

A letter has been received from the Pensions Regulator advising that the staging date for the Council is 1 November 2016.

Derbyshire County Council have advised that as part of the preparation of a Minerals Local Plan they are undertaking a rolling consultation to develop the vision and objectives of the Plan.

16/24 Schedule of Accounts presented for payment

Cheques numbered 007375 to 007405 were presented amounting to £25,469.47.

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

The Clerk submitted the Annual Statement of Accounts and the Annual Governance Statement.

The Clerk reported that since the Annual return was copied to members a Public Works Loan Statement has been received and therefore the amount stated in box 10 has been amended from £74,959 to £73,302.

The Internal Audit will take place on 26th May 2015.

Members were made aware of the Annual Governance Statement and the individual sections 1 – 9, which was approved.

RESOLVED: That the Annual Statement of Accounts, Annual Governance Statement subject to Internal Audit Report is approved and be submitted to the Grant Thornton.

16/25 Items Raised at the Annual Parish Meeting

There were no matters raised at the Annual Parish Meeting that require attention.

16/26 Any Other Business

The Chairman reminded members that the closing date for nominations for Community Awards is 1 June 2015.

Councillor Young was asked to chase up the WW1 grant that has been applied for from High Peak Borough Council.

The Chairman advised that Rev Leach has indicated that he is willing to continue in his role as Chaplain to the Council.

The Clerk was asked about the two vacancies on the Council following the elections and she advised that High Peak Borough Council will formally write to the Council to advise that they are now able to co-opt.

16/27 Press Releases

Details of the new Chairman and Vice Chairman.

New play equipment at Chapel Memorial Park.

Neighbourhood Plan Referendum on 16 July 2015

Economic regeneration project

A6 By-Pass litter pick following pressure from elected members and the Council.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 21.20 hours.

CHAIRMAN