

CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 2 FEBRUARY 2016

- Meeting Held:** Tuesday 2 February 2016 in the Annexe of the Town Hall, Chapel-en-le-Frith
- Present:** Councillor J Brook in the Chair.
Councillors M Evanson, G Martin, Mrs M Morrison, T Norton,
M Smith, Mrs J Street and S Young.
- In Attendance:** Mrs SE Stockdale - Clerk of the Council
PC A Crosthwaite
PCSO K Green
- Apologies:** Councillors Mrs H Batterbee and F P Harrison

At the commencement of the meeting there was one member of the public and no members of the press present.

Rev D Leach said prayers.

16/313 Declarations of Interest

Councillor Martin declared an interest as a DALC Executive Committee Member.

Councillor Mrs Morrison and Councillor S Young declared an interest in the Bank Hall Developments Planning Application.

Councillor Brook declared an interest in the Community Rail Partnership.

Councillor Norton declared an interest as a member of Chapel Bowling Club.

16/314 Police Matters

The Police have confirmed that for the January 2016 crimes figures, the following were dealt with by restorative justice:

Violence – 1 out of 4 offences

Theft – 1 out of 5 offences

Criminal damage/arson – 1 out of 1 offence.

It was reported that there was a 13.6% increase in overall crime for January 2016 compared with the same period in 2015.

The Police confirmed that incidents are recorded at the location where the crime happens.

The County Councillor reported that statistics across the County are showing that anti-social behaviour crimes committed by young people have decreased but the number of suicides in the same age group have increased.

A bicycle has been chained to the bus stop sign at the bottom of Church Brow for over 10 weeks and the Police reported that it has not been reported stolen so they cannot remove it. They suggest that the matter is brought to the attention of High Peak Borough Council and ask that they remove it.

Derbyshire County council are looking at making changes at the junction of Buxton Road and Sheffield Road, Chapel-end-le-Frith due to the number of vehicles trying to access the A6 by-pass from Buxton Road.

16/315 Open Forum

A resident from Bowden Lane, Chapel-en-le-Frith spoke about the problems encountered on Bowden Lane when a fire engine had difficulty reaching a property due to the narrow road.

He asked if the Council would write to the Fire Service to ask that they consider purchasing smaller units in line with other Fire Authorities nationally.

Members agreed that they would write to the Fire Authority as there have been concerns about a number of narrow roads in the Parish which would have similar issues.

Members also noted that a coherent policy was needed in respect of the parking of vehicles on narrow roads and that residents should also be aware of problems when parking vehicles as they will be no immediate solution to the problem.

16/316 M.P., County Councillors, Borough Councillors

The County Councillor reported that there will be cuts in the following areas of Children's Services:-

- The supply of transport for SEN children with the County Council only supplying what is their statutory duty.
- The closure of some Children's Centres which are currently the subject of public consultation.
- Review of 'Early Needs' packages.
- Review of 'Aiming High' respite breaks.

Funding has been made available to continue the Community Transport Service in the short term.

There may be cuts to subsidised bus services and it was noted that the 199 Sunday Service currently receives a subsidy.

The Borough Councillor reported that members are in discussion with Officers regarding the removal of the recycling points and the need to make residents aware of alternative ways of recycling together with a change in the law regarding the burning of waste oil which will come into effect on 1 April 2016.

16/317 Highways, Public Footpaths, Public Services and Parish Improvements

Derbyshire County Council have confirmed that there will be a temporary Road closure at the junction of Peaslow Lane and Blackbrook Lane, Chapel-en-le-Frith from 21 – 25 March 2016 for carriageway patching.

There will be a temporary speed limit on Sheffield Road, Chapel-en-le-Frith of 30mph between 4 – 8 April 2016 to facilitate carriageway resurfacing.

High Peak Borough Council have purchased 2 quad bikes in an effort to support Derbyshire County Council with their winter maintenance programme.

The ward member for Whitehough reported that he has had a response from the County Councillor with the portfolio for flooding in respect of problems in Whitehough. It appears that the Council have not considered a long term solution and he will be pressing them to look at how the situation can be managed in the future.

The Clerk was asked to contact Derbyshire County Council to ask them again contact BT to seek the removal of the redundant telegraph pole on Market Street, Chapel-en-le-Frith.

16/318 Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 5 January 2016

Minutes numbered 16/284 to 16/303 were presented.

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

16/319 Minutes of the Planning Meeting held on 12 January 2016

Minutes numbered 16/304 to 16/309 were presented and amended to reflect the correct declaration of interest made by the Chairman.

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

16/320 Minutes of the Amenities Committee held on 21 January 2016

Minutes numbered 16/310 were presented.

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

16/321 Minutes of the Town Hall Committee held on 21 January 2016

Minutes numbered 16/311 were presented.

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

16/322 Minutes of the F & GP Committee held on 21 January 2016

Minutes numbered 16/312 were presented.

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

16/323 Matters arising from the above Minutes

High Peak Community Transport have advised that day trips in 2016 will be made available to residents living in the Parish and will forward details in due course.

High Peak Borough Council have confirmed that alternative containers will be provided to properties that are unable to use wheeled bins following the closure of the public re-cycling areas.

The Clerk was asked to contact Morrison's again about the amount of litter on the path at the rear of the store.

The Interim Planning Manager has confirmed that she will attend the next Planning Committee to speak about the non-compliance issues.

The Chairman of the F& GP Committee noted that the proposed Precept for 2016/17 if agreed, would mean that the Parish Rate would not increase for the 7th year running. He also passed on thanks to High Peak Borough Council for passing on the full amount of the Council Tax Benefit grant and for maintaining the Concurrent Function Grant at the same level.

16/324 Precept 2016/17

Councillor Norton proposed and Councillor Young seconded that the Parish Precept for 2016/17 be set at £106,208.00, which equates to a 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 £10,102.00.

RESOLVED: That the 2016/17 Precept be set at £106.208 subject to receiving the Council Tax Support Grant of £10,102.00 and the Concurrent Function Grant for Parks and Open Spaces of £56,726.00.

16/325 Neighbourhood Plan and Community Plan

The Community Plan footpath and countryside group are meeting on 23 February 2016.

16/326 Economic Regeneration

Councillor Evanson gave an update on Master Plan Inception meeting.

16/327 Town Hall/47/49 Market Street

To accommodate the Public Inquiry in April it was agreed that the April Full Council meeting be moved to Monday 4th April 2016 and that the Planning Committee on Wednesday 6th April 2016 be held in the Mustard Seed Café.

It was agreed that the fee for the hire of the rooms for the Public Inquiry be reduced in line with the proposal from the Town Hall Committee.

It was agreed that Full Planning Permission be sought for the car parking area at the rear of 47/49 Market Street with a link door to the passage under the Annexe.

Councillor Smith declared an interest in this item as a family member has drawn the plans.

Councillor Norton asked that it be minuted that he was not in agreement with the proposed car parking area.

County Drains have confirmed that there is a collapsed drain at the side of the Town Hall and a report is awaited to see how this can be rectified. Members agreed that it would be preferable to re-route the drain onto Market Street.

It was agreed that quotes be sought for defining the parking spaces on the front on the Town Hall with studs at ground level together with key operated parking bollards.

16/328 DALC

DALC have advised that the DCLG have issued consultation on the New Homes Bonus.

It was agreed that the Council should feed comments into the Consultation that in areas where there development takes place a statutory instrument should be in place to ensure that a percentage of New Homes Bonus money goes to Town and Parish Councils in the affected areas.

Councillor Evanson left the meeting at 21.5 hours.

16/329 Parks and Open Spaces

High Peak Borough Council Environmental Health Department have provided advice in respect of recent problems in the Memorial Park.

United Utilities have confirmed that the problem has been caused by tree roots blocking the main sewer and they have taken remedial action to remove the obstruction.

It was agreed that the seasonal park job be advertised.

16/330 Correspondence

None.

16/331 Schedule of Accounts presented for payment

The Clerk submitted a list of accounts for which cheques numbered 007593 to 007611 amounting to £13,470.08 has been drawn.

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

16/332 Any Other Business

A Communications Committee meeting was arranged for 24 February 2016 at 11am.

16/333 Press Releases

2016/17 Precept

Changes to recycling

Representation at the Bank Hall developments Public Inquiry.