

CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 7 MARCH 2023

Meeting Held: Tuesday 7 March 2023
Held in the Annexe of the Town Hall, Chapel-en-le-Frith at 7pm.

Present: Councillor M Chantler in the Chair
Councillors J Adshead, A Beswick, I DePee, N Gourlay N Hill,
T Saxby, C Sizeland and S Young.

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

Apologies noted: Councillor J Shephard

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

The Chairman advised that the meeting was being recorded.

23/527 Declarations of Interest

Councillor Gourlay declared an interest as a member of Derbyshire County Council.

23/528 Dispensations

Two dispensations have been granted to Councillor Sizeland.

23/529 Variation of Business

None.

23/530 Police Matters

The Police report arrived after the agenda had been sent out and will be added to the April Full Council meeting agenda pack.

22/531 Public Participation

None.

23/532 Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 7 February 2023

Minutes numbered 23/467 to 23/495 were presented.

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

23/533 Minutes of the Extraordinary Council meeting held on 15 February 2023

Minutes numbered 23/503 to 23/504 were presented.

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

23/534 Minutes of the Footpaths and Trails Working Group held on 26 January 2023

The minutes were noted.

23/535 Matters arising from the minutes

A response has been received from Derbyshire County Council following the request for a mirror at the junction of Sheffield Road and Buxton Road. They have advised that it would not meet their criteria. It was agreed that a response is sent giving further information and that the County Councillor is copied into the reply.

ACTION: The Clerk

It was noted that a response is still awaited from WaterPlus and the Clerk will chase this up.

ACTION: The Clerk

23/536 To agree any actions from the Amenities Committee held on 28 February 2023

The Amenities Committee considered three quotes for Calisthenics bars for Chapel Memorial Park where two of the suppliers require a 50% deposit when an order is placed.

The Clerk reminded members that this would not be in line with the Councils Procurement Policy which does not allow for the payment of deposits. It was suggested that the company are contacted to relay this information and ask if they will accept an order without the payment of a deposit.

RESOLVED: That an Extraordinary Meeting is called with an agenda item to create an exception for this project and suspend the Procurement rules.

ACTION: The Clerk

RESOLVED: That following the recommendation from the Amenities Committee a grant of £750 is made to Combs Village Hall Trust towards the drainage project that was presented to the Council.

ACTION: The Clerk

Derbyshire County Council have rejected a number of locations where a grit bin has been requested.

RESOLVED: That Derbyshire County Council are asked to give a clear reason why the sites that have been rejected do not meet their criteria and that the new Council are asked to consider all the requests for grit bins.

ACTION: Assistant Clerk

23/537 Outstanding actions from previous meeting

None.

23/538 Update on South Head Drive Play Area

A further public meeting was held on 22 February 2023 and there are a number of questions that will be put to High Peak Borough Council. It was noted that a residents group may be formed to deal with this issue in addition to the Council.

ACTION: Councillor Hill to contact High Peak Borough Council

23/539 Update on 9 High Street, Chapel-en-le-Frith

It was reported that a S215 Untidy Site Notice has been served by High Peak Borough Council which will take effect on 27 March 2023 unless an appeal is lodged. Members were concerned about the length of time it has taken to get to this point and what will the procedure will be if there is no action. The Clerk will send a copy of the Untidy Site Notice out to all members.

ACTION: The Clerk

23/540 Report on the current position of S106 and Awards for All funded projects for Chapel-en-le-Frith Memorial Park.

Confirmation is awaited from Seddon Homes regarding the S106 money and this will delay the procurement of the Pump Track.

Councillor Hill reported that there is no time limit on the spending of the S106 money in Dove Holes.

23/541 Update on Memorial Park CCTV

It was agreed that this item is deferred.

23/542 To consider the membership of a working group in respect of the noise abatement order issued by the Court for Chapel Memorial Park. (Deferred from the Councils meeting held on 7 February 2023)

RESOLVED: That this agenda item is discussed in confidential business.

23/543 Schedule of Accounts presented for payment.

Bankline payments were presented amounting to £25,788.79.

Cheques numbered 009272 to 0009274 amounting to £651.00 were presented.

RESOLVED: That the authorised signatories approve the payments on Bankline payments and the accounts to which they relate be paid electronically.
That the authorised signatories sign the cheques as presented.

Income and Expenditure to 28 February 2023 was presented to members.

23/544 Correspondence

- Peak District National Park Parish member appointments to the National Park Authority 2023.
- High Peak Borough Council Coronation grant fund.
- Chapel-en-le-Frith Mobile Physiotherapy Service

23/545 Any Other Business (For discussion only)

The Chairman of the Personnel Committee advised that he would be calling a meeting.

The Clerk was asked to check that the Councils GDPR Policy is on the website.

The signage to suspend parking opposite the Royal Oak Public House has now been amended by Derbyshire County Council.

Derbyshire County Council have advised that they will replace missing signs on Hayfield Road East, Chapel-en-le-Frith.

The County Councillor reported that from 1 February 2023 the Civil Parking Enforcement Officers have visited Chapel-en-le-Frith 274 times and there are 100 incidents when a car has been moved when the Enforcement Officers are seen. They have issued 14 penalty notices in this period.

Concerns were reported about a build-up of rubbish in Kings Arms Hotel and this should be reported to Environmental Health at High Peak Borough Council.

Contact details for the Safer Neighbourhood will be circulated.

23/546 Press Releases

None.

23/547 To resolve to exclude the press and members of the public under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960

To consider the following in respect of ongoing Court proceedings:

- Legal advice from Radar Solicitors.
- Correspondence from Richard Buxton Solicitors.
- Response to Richard Buxton from Radar Solicitors.
- To agree next steps following Radar legal advice.
- To agree Radar costs moving forward.
- Details of Earmarked Reserves.
- Correspondence with High Peak Borough Council following advice from DALC.

Two further letters from Richard Buxton Solicitors dated 27 February and 1 March 2023 were tabled.

RESOLVED: That the Council instruct Radar Solicitors to proceed as advised in Option 1 of their email dated 20 February 2023.

That a limit of £60,000 is agreed in relation the next process in the legal proceedings.

To consider the membership of a working group in respect of the noise abatement order issued by the Court for Chapel Memorial Park. (Deferred from the Councils meeting held on 7 February 2023)

RESOLVED: That Councillors Adshead, Beswick, Chantler and DePee form the working group and look to invite external members, together with the monitoring of CCTV.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.35 pm.

CHAIRMAN