

CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 3 OCTOBER 2017

Meeting Held: Tuesday 3 October 2017 in the Annexe of the Town Hall, Chapel-en-le-Frith.

Present: Councillor T Norton in the Chair.
Councillors Mrs H Batterbee, J Brook, M Evanson, D King, G Martin, Mrs M Morrison, M Smith, Mrs J Street and S Young.

In Attendance: Mrs SE Stockdale - Clerk of the Council.
Inspector Booth

Apologies: Councillors FP Harrison and C Lawley.
Councillor J Perkins (Derbyshire County Council).

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

Rev K Tankard said prayers.

18/177 Declarations of Interest

Councillor Martin declared an interest as a member of the DALC Executive Committee.

Councillor Mrs Batterbee declared an interest in matters relating to Brookside Pastures, Chapel-en-le-Frith.

18/178 Police Matters

Inspector Booth who is the new Inspector for the division attended to meet with members.

Inspector Booth reported that there has been a big transition in policing in High Peak over the last 12 months.

Buxton and Glossop Police divisions have merged and there has been a reduction in the number of Police Officers in High Peak. However, in comparison with other areas in Derbyshire the staffing levels are higher.

There are increasing incidents of child sex exploitation, human trafficking and cyber-crime, which has led to specialist units being set up with deal with these crimes.

Burglaries are lower than the same period in 2016.

Members passed on residents' concerns about speeding traffic on Meadow Lane, Dove Holes and Manchester Road, Chapel-en-le-Frith. The details will be passed onto Derbyshire County Council as well as the Police Traffic Unit. Speed enforcement teams focus on roads with a collision history. Community Speed Watch does have an impact in some locations when routes are mainly used by local residents.

Residents have expressed concerns that the Police do not feedback to residents who have reported crimes. Police do undertake user feedback surveys and there is a high level of satisfaction in High Peak. Minor crimes where there is no CCTV and little chance of detection are resolved over the telephone.

Concern was expressed that detection rates average 6% which was felt to be very low. Priority is given to the detection of more serious crimes. Inspector Booth agreed to look into detection rates locally.

Safer Neighbourhood Team meetings priorities are not always addressing actual crime issues in the local community and this is an issue that Inspector Booth will be addressing.

The Rural Task Force is only likely to be comprised of Police Officers who have other duties. If there is an increase in rural crime then Officers will be detailed to cover this.

18/179 Open Forum

There were no members of the public wishing to speak.

18/180 M.P., County Councillors, Borough Councillors

No matters to report.

18/181 Highways, Public Footpaths, Public Services and Parish Improvements

The Development Control Officers at High Peak Borough Council have reported that there is no action that can be taken to remove the billboard on Hayfield Road, Chapel-en-le-Frith under advertisement regulations.

It was reported that the billboard has not been replenished in the last 18 months. It was agreed that the Clerk report back to High Peak Borough Council that it is no longer in use and becoming an eyesore.

The green area around the bus shelter is now being used as a parking space and this has been reported to High Peak Borough Council on a number of occasions.

A request has been made for an additional drop kerb on the Market Place to allow disability scooter users to travel along Market Street. It is an issue that has been brought to the attention of Derbyshire County Council previously and a problem with surface water was highlighted. It was agreed that the matter will be reported again. Parking on the white lines opposite the Co-op on the Market Place, Chapel-en-le-Frith also exacerbates the problem for users of disabled scooters.

The Clerk was asked to pass on congratulations to Federal Mogul Friction Products on the planting of the roundabout on Hayfield Road, Chapel-en-le-Frith.

Members recognised the efforts made in Dove Holes during the recent Scarecrow Festival.

Members were pleased with the response from United Utilities in keeping residents informed during the recent water outage and the distribution of emergency water supplies.

18/182 Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 5 September 2017

Minutes numbered 18/147 to 18/166 were presented and amended.

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

18/183 Minutes of the Planning Committee held on 19 September 2017

Minutes numbered 18/167 to 18/172 were presented.

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

18/184 Minutes of the Communications Committee held on 26 September 2017

Minutes numbered 18/173 to 18/176 were presented.

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

18/185 Matters arising from the above Minutes

High Peak Borough Council have confirmed that the owner of the Nursery on Cross Street, Chapel-en-le-Frith has lodged an appeal in respect of the refusal of planning permission.

The Clerk confirmed that she is booked on the DALC Data Protection Course in respect of the new legislation.

The mirror opposite the Kings Arms Hotel has now been replaced and it was agreed that the Park staff will paint the post.

Residents have asked for additional yellow lines on the Market Place, Chapel-en-le-Frith by the Stocks Café, which has been declined by Derbyshire County Council.

High Peak Borough Council have asked for a meeting with regard to the South Head Drive Play Area which will be arranged and delegated to the Chairman, Chair of the Amenities Committee and Clerk.

The Planning Application for the new frontage at 47/49 Market Street, Chapel-en-le-Frith has been re-submitted with the addition of a heritage statement.

A meeting has been held with the Heritage Lottery Fund in relation to the Memorial Park application and a further submission will be made by February 2018.

It was agreed that an item about speeding Long Lane to Meadow Lane be added to the newsletter.

18/186 Neighbourhood Plan and Community Plan

An update from the footpaths working group has been included in the newsletter.

18/187 Economic Regeneration

To be taken in Part 2.

18/188 Outside Bodies

Councillor Martin attended the County Council Liaison meeting and reported that residents are being encouraged to report pot holes online.

Councillor Martin attended the Peak Parishes Forum and was re-elected to the committee.

Councillors Harrison, Martin and Young attended the Peak Park Parishes Day. Off road vehicle and cyclists were the major issues raised and criticism of the National Park Authority and County Council in not taking into account the views of local residents who have to live, work and move around National Park. The need for affordable housing in the National Park was raised to allow young people to stay in local communities.

18/189 Town Hall

A quote of £320 has been received to repaint the stage frontage in the Main Hall which was agreed.

The pelmets have been fitted on the Stage and Main Hall curtains.

18/190 DALC

Councillor Martin advised that he will be standing for the DALC Executive Committee again at the AGM.

18/191 Parks and Open Spaces

A request has been received from a resident asking that Nannys Well be renovated and also to offer technical assistance with any renovation. It was agreed that a meeting be arranged to discuss this.

Historic England have completed an initial assessment of the Dove Holes Memorial and will be making a recommendation to the Secretary of State regarding listing.

The Clerk was asked to pass on thanks to the Park Staff for the refurbishment of the seats in front of the Methodist Church.

18/192 Correspondence

Members have been circulated with correspondence from the interested parties regarding the Brookside Pastures Appeal to DEFRA. A meeting has been held with the landowner and a recommendation was made to the Planning Committee in respect of the submission made by the Council.

18/193 Schedule of Accounts presented for payment

The Clerk submitted a list of accounts for which cheques numbered 008094 to 008116 amounting to £10,492.98 has been drawn.

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

RESOLVED: It was agreed that Councillor T Norton and Councillor M Evanson be added to the Royal Bank of Scotland Bank Mandate.

18/194 Any Other Business

A date for F & GP Meeting to be circulated.

18/195 Press Releases

United Utilities response to the recent water outage
Speeding concerns in Dove Holes and Chapel-en-le-Frith
Congratulations to the Dove Holes community group for the recent Scarecrow festival.

18/196 Business transacted after the exclusion of the public and Press

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 21.35 hours.

CHAIRMAN

