CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 4 DECEMBER 2018

Meeting Held: Tuesday 4 December 2018 in the Annexe of the Town

Hall, Chapel-en-le-Frith.

Present: Councillor M Evanson in the Chair.

Councillors J Adshead, Mrs H Batterbee, J Brook,

N Gourlay, FP Harrison, D King, C Lawley,

Mrs M Morrison, T Norton, M Smith, Mrs J Street and

S Young.

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

Councillor J Perkins – Derbyshire County Council.

Apologies: Rev K Tankard

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

Councillor J Brook said prayers.

19/238 Declarations of Interest

Councillor Harrison declared a non-pecuniary interest as a member of Chapel Bowling Club.

Councillor Adshead declared a non-pecuniary interest in Chapel Junior Football Club as his children are members.

Councillor Gourlay declared a non-pecuniary interest as a member of Chapel Community Group who have made a grant application to the Council.

Councillor Brook declared a non-pecuniary interest as a member of Chapel Methodist Church who benefit from a grant from the Council for the upkeep of the graveyard.

Councillor Morrison declared a non-pecuniary interest in the grant application from 1st Chapel Girls Brigade as she is a friend of the person who made the application.

19/239 Police Matters

The crime statistics for September 2018 were presented and it was agreed that the Police should be asked to provide clarification on the issues surrounding the 12 anti-social behaviour crimes reported.

It was noted that detection rates have historically been around 6% of the crimes reported.

19/240 Open Forum

Mrs L Vernon addressed the Council on behalf of Chapel Town Football Club to advise that houses on Rowton Grange Road have been leafleted about a proposed 3G pitch on the Chapel Town Football site.

The position currently is that planning permission has not yet been sought. There is provision on the site for parking for 40 vehicles and the proposed pitch would only be floodlit until 9.30pm.

Derbyshire Football Association are being asked to back the project with the club currently having 7 children's and 2 senior teams.

Currently the Junior Football Club pay £6,000 pa to use the all-weather pitch at Chapel High School.

It was agreed that this proposal should be discussed as an agenda item at a future Council meeting.

Ms E Springer asked what the timescale for comments on the National Park review and who is collating the information.

As Chapel-en-le-Frith is the Capital of the Peak it should be in the National Park.

The Vice Chairman advised that the consultation is running until 18th December 2018 and members of the public can make individual comments. The Council was asked to report the highway at Charley Lane as there need to be some repairs carried out.

The Council were asked to consider the overall highway effect when making comments on planning applications that can affect wider areas than the immediate development.

19/241 M.P., County Councillors, Borough Councillors

Coluncillor Perkins advised that Charley Lane comes under the remit of Councillor Fox and he would ask her to attend the next Council meeting.

Councillor Perkins reported that the County Council will be measuring speeds on Buxton Road, Chapel-en-le-Frith and that the white lines at the Sheffield Road and Buxton Road junction will be repainted.

Parking enforcement on Barlow Road will be carried out and the single yellow lines on Beresford Road will be repainted as parking is not currently enforceable due to the gaps in the lining.

Derbyshire County Council had advised that repairs on Brookside Road were not actionable and the County Councillor was asked to investigate the reason for this.

Councillor Young reported that traffic calming measures on Long Lane, Chapel-en-le-Frith will be considered once the Seddon development is completed.

14 people are waiting to go to court for dog fouling offences and one person for fly tipping in High Peak.

It is likely that Parkwood Leisure will be the preferred company to take over leisure facilities in High Peak.

Councillor Young asked that the Councils response to the Glover consultation is shared with High Peak Borough Council.

19/242 Highways, Public Footpaths, Public Services and Parish Improvements

Derbyshire County Council have confirmed that feasibility studies have been carried out and there is no scope to make changes to the priorities at the junction of Sheffield Road and Buxton Road, Chapel-en-le-Frith. Prior to the temporary arrangements in force on Sheffield Road there have been no recorded injury collisions at the junction in the last 3 years.

The Duchy of Lancaster have confirmed that they have no objection to additional markets being held on Chapel Market Place provided the permission of the person who holds the Market Rights is obtained.

It was reported that the issue of flooding at the junction of Station Road and Long Lane, Chapel-en-le-Frith has been resolved.

The Clerk was asked to report flooding by the tactile paving at the mini roundabout at Morrison's as it is making the dropped kerb unusable.

Residents of Eccles Road, Chapel-en-le-Frith have complained that delivery vans are not using the area in the Co-op car park to make deliveries and using Eccles Road.

Councillor Adshead reported that he had picked 3.5 black bags of litter from footpath 61 which runs along the High School perimeter. The Clerk was asked to contact the School to see if they can have an initiative to encourage pupils to use the litter bins provided as most the litter was sweet wrappers and bottles.

Councillor Gourlay declared an interest in this item as he owns part of footpath 61.

Councillor Adshead also reported that he had organised a working group to tidy the Parish Church graveyard in Chapel-en-le-Frith and has asked Derbyshire Wildlife Trust if they can provide some advice. It was noted that a

number of graves have sunk and that the terrain is very difficult for residents visiting the graveyard.

19/243 Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 6 November 2018

Minutes numbered 19/207 to 19/227 were presented.

Minute 19/20 should have read 5th to 16th November.

Minute 19/211 – should have read that the speeding concerns were from residents of Hayfield Road East and residents of Hayfield Road had noted a decrease in speeding vehicles.

The small play area referred to is on South Head Drive, Chapel-en-le-Frith. Minute 19/221 should read lit and not light.

Councillor Perkins was recorded as being present and had also given apologies. Councillor Perkins was not present at the meeting.

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

19/244 Minutes of the Planning Committee held on 13 November 2018

Minutes numbered 19/231 to 19/236 were presented.

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

19/245 Minutes of the Communications Committee held on 8 November 2018

Minutes numbered 19/228 to 19/230 were presented.

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

19/246 Minutes of the F & GP Committee held on 27 November 2018

Minutes numbered 19/231 to 19/237 were presented.

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

19/247 Matters arising from the above Minutes

The draft Social Media Policy was circulated and there was a discussion about the disclosure of interests for 'friends' on social media and the Communications Committee was asked to review the comments and re-issue a draft Policy.

It was noted that it is an individual member's responsibility to declare pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests and that members may wish to consider placing a disclaimer on their social media sites to say any views are personal and not necessarily the collective view of the Council. It was felt by some members that this should include any individual publications from members.

The Clerk was asked to seek a view from the Councils Insurers regarding posts made on social media by members if they are challenged as being defamatory.

Details of all S137 grants made in the last five years has been circulated to members.

It was noted that there is still some grant funding available for the current financial year.

The Welcome Pack is being updated and will be re-issued.

19/248 Glover review of National Parks

The Vice Chairman advised that she had combined written responses and those made at the meeting on 19 November 2018 and circulated to members. She has also circulated the views of the Peak Park Parishes Forum.

The following amendments were made:

Q11 – remove the phrase referring to some areas being more important than others.

Q13 – should also include the reason that the National Park was formed.

Q15 – remove the word elitist.

Q19 – add that there may be opportunities in due course to review extending the boundaries of the National Park.

It was agreed that the final response should be shared with High Peak Borough Council abd submitted to DEFRA.

19/249 Wildlife data to inform Planning decisions

Members agreed that they would support the gathering of more information on bio-diversity to assist with the determination of planning applications. The Derbyshire Wildlife Trust are a statutory consultee on planning applications and do also provide additional reports for High Peak Borough Council.

19/250 Neighbourhood Plan and Community Plan

Members received a report from the footpath working group and it was agreed that the Regeneration Committee will meet in January to consider funding a project for Information Boards.

19/251 Economic Regeneration

Consent has been received from the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government to remove part of the Statutory Allotment status on the Leys Allotment site.

19/252 Outside Bodies

Councillors Adshead and Young attended a Joint User Meeting at Chapel Leisure Centre and it was reported that following a condition survey the all-weather pitch requires urgent work and replacement.

It was agreed that a meeting be requested with Derbyshire County Council who have the contract with the PFI provider to discuss the all-weather pitch. The management fee that Parkwood Leisure indicate in their accounts has previously been discussed and the County Council have said that they will review this.

19/253 Parks and Open Spaces

The Amenities Committee were asked to review the fence around the Memorial Park.

The stonemason contacted about the plaque in the Memorial Park that needs to be repaired has asked for a high resolution logo and he will be willing to make a new plaque free of charge.

19/254 Correspondence

High Peak Borough Council have confirmed that they have agreed that a grey roof tile is acceptable for a property on Terrace Road, Chapel-en-le-Frith and that work must be completed by 31 March 2019.

Three further Freedom of Information requests have been made and the information requested has been supplied.

The person making the requests has thanked the Council for the speedy replies and suggests that future newsletters and minutes are placed on the Councils website.

A letter of thanks has been received from Kinder Mountain Rescue Team for the grant made in respect of assistance given to the lighting of the beacon on Eccles Pike to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the end of WW1.

19/255 Schedule of Accounts presented for payment

The Clerk submitted a list of accounts for which cheques numbered 008464 to 008487 amounting to £15,776.13 has been drawn.

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

19/256 Any Other Business

Budget Meetings to be held on 15 January 2019

- 6.30pm Amenities Committee
- 7pm Town Hall Committee
- 7.30pm F & GP Committee

The Communications Committee have been asked by a resident to consider producing an updated Town Guide and this will be considered.

The advice from the Royal British Legion regarding Silent Soldiers was confirmed that they should stay in place until the end of the year and then be used again in 2019 leading up to Remembrance Sunday.

19/257 Press Releases

None.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 22.05 hours.

CHAIRMAN