

## CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 6 AUGUST 2019

- Meeting Held:** Tuesday 6 August 2019 of the Annexe of the Town Hall, Chapel-en-le-Frith
- Present:** Councillor L McCarthy in the Chair  
Councillors J Adshead, Mrs H Batterbee, P Bann, T Dales, N Gourlay, FP Harrison, C Lawley, C Sizeland, Mrs S Walters and S Young.
- In Attendance:** Mrs S E Stockdale – Clerk to the Council
- Apologies:** Councillor J Perkins – Derbyshire County Council

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

Councillor Harrison said prayers.

#### **20/121        Declarations of Interest**

The following declarations of interest were made:

- Councillor J Adshead – Chapel Town and Junior Football Club
- Councillor C Sizeland – Leys Allotment site as an adjoining land owner
- Councillor C Sizeland – his wife is a substitute Councillor on the High Peak Borough Council Development Control Committee
- Councillor S Walters – Chapel Market Place and the Leys Allotments as friend of Councillor and Mrs Sizeland
- Councillor C Lawley - the Leys Allotments as friend of Councillor and Mrs Sizeland
- Councillor Dales and Harrison as members of Chapel Bowling Club

Councillor Gourlay declared an interest in the tender process for the sale of the Leys Allotments, as he has a friend who will probably bid if that process takes place. However, he advised that he did not intend declare an interest in the wider debate on the future redevelopment of Town End, and Sheffield Road, which he feels he can discuss with impartiality.

## 20/122 Police Matters

### Crimes reported in June 2019 from the Derbyshire Constabulary website

Anti-Social Behaviour	7
Burglary	3
Criminal damage/arson	5
Other crime	1
Other theft	5
Possession of weapons	1
Public order	3
Shoplifting	2
Vehicle crime	1
Violence/sexual offences	14
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A report was given about the Police Liaison Committee who are starting to establish connections with the local Police and looking at ways to engage the public through Neighbourhood Watch.

A discussion took place regarding the status of the group and it was felt that the work would be better suited to a Working Group who report back to the Council rather than a formal Committee.

Councillor Harrison proposed and Councillor Batterbee seconded a motion that the status of the Committee is changed to a Working Group which would allow the group to co-opt members if appropriate.

**RESOLVED:** That the Police Liaison Committee will change status to a Police Working Group.

It was reported that the Derbyshire Police and Crime Commissioner had expressed an interest in visiting the Council.

High Peak Borough Council have responded that they are unable to find a licence for the CCTV camera on the Kings Arms Public House. A copy of the Councils licence has been made available to them, which was part of the same scheme.

## 20/123 Open Forum

Two members of the public spoke about the recent flooding in Whitehough.

**RESOLVED:** That the Clerk arrange a meeting with Derbyshire County Council Highways and local residents to discuss the recent issues.

**20/124 MP, County Councillors and Borough Councillors**

A vote of thanks was made to all emergency and local services together with local residents who have been involved in the recent events at Toddbrook Reservoir in Whaley Bridge.

**20/125 Matters relating to Highways, Public Footpaths, and Public Services and Parish Improvements**

It was reported that there have been incidents of flooding on Long Lane and Laneside Close, Chapel-en-le-Frith which Derbyshire County Council are aware of.

It was reported that the current repairs to the culvert on Sheffield Road may be causing problems with the flow of water further along the watercourse.

It was reported that Google maps is sending vehicles the wrong way on Hayfield Road, Chapel-en-le-Frith and Derbyshire County Council are dealing with this.

A sign has appeared on Hayfield Road, Chapel-en-le-Frith for 'Lesser Chapel' and this has been reported to Derbyshire County Council highways.

**Reporting of diesel spillage on Charley Lane**

It was reported that a recent diesel spillage was not reported to the Environment Agency, Police or Derbyshire County Council highways. This was a reportable event due to the adjacent watercourse and the effect that diesel has on the tarmac highway.

**Proposals for parking outside the Co-op on Chapel Market Place and the Parish Parking review**

The review of parking in Chapel-en-le-Frith recently undertaken by Derbyshire County Council highways undertook to regularise the on-street parking to a one hour stay. Councillor Sizeland proposed and Councillor Gourlay seconded a motion that two ten minute spaces be provided on the Market Place opposite the Co-op.

**RESOLVED:** That the current parking arrangements remain with no alterations.

**Working Group to explore bringing Chapel Market Place into public ownership**

The proposal put forward was for a Working Group to explore if the Market Place could be brought into public ownership by High Peak Borough Council to allow greater use of the area for events to take place. It was agreed that this would not be something that the Parish Council could consider.

The Working Group would look into the feasibility of the proposal and consult with High Peak Borough Council and local residents and explore issues of liability.

The Working Group would report back to the Council with a final report by May 2020.

Councillor Sizeland proposed and Councillor Gourlay seconded a motion that a Working Group be set up to explore the possibility of bring Chapel Market Place into public ownership.

**RESOLVED:** That a Working Group is set up with Councillor Gourlay, Sizeland and Mrs Walters as members

**20/126 Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 2 July 2019**

Minutes numbered 20/85 to 20/106 were presented.

Amended minutes were tabled in respect of the discussion held in the Open Forum.

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

**20/127 Minutes of the Planning Committee held on 23 July 2019**

Minutes numbered 20/112 to 20/120 were presented.

The minutes were amended as Councillor McCarthy chaired the first part of the meeting.

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

**20/128 Minutes of the Communications Committee held on 9 July 2019**

Minutes numbered 20/107 to 20/111 were presented.

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

**20/129 Matters Arising from the above Minutes**

It was agreed that the Derbyshire County Council depot be added to the September Full Council agenda.

The Communications Committee were asked to consider local printers for the newsletter.

**20/130 Terms of Reference Planning Committee**

Amendments were proposed to the Terms of Reference which will be considered by the Planning Committee and ratified by the Council at the next Full Council meeting.

**20/131 Co-option onto the Council – Dove Holes and Martinside Ward and Chapel East Ward**

Councillor McCarthy proposed and Councillor Dales seconded a motion that a meeting be arranged for members to meet with residents who have expressed an interest in being co-opted. They would then be invited to attend a Full Council meeting to give a short presentation about themselves following which a vote would be taken.

**RESOLVED:** That a meeting be arranged to meet with residents who have expressed an interest in co-option. A set form of questions will be asked and scored. Each person will then be invited to the Full Council meeting to speak for up to five minutes about themselves, following which a vote will be taken.

**20/132 Councillors Email addresses**

The Derbyshire Association of Local Councils has provided advice that Councillors should have dedicated email addresses for Council business to comply with GDPR. Councillor McCarthy proposed and Councillor Batterbee seconded a motion that Councillors be given the opportunity to have a dedicated @chapelpc.org email address at a cost of £3.80 per month.

**RESOLVED:** The Chairman exercised his casting vote to allow members the opportunity to have a @chapelpc.org email address at a cost of £3.80per month.

**20/133 Neighbourhood Plan and Community Plan**

No matters to report.

**20/134 Economic Regeneration**

No matters to report.

**20/135 Outside Bodies**

Members who attended the Joint User Meeting at Chapel Leisure Centre reported that the all-weather pitch will be replaced on a like for like basis as stipulated in the PFI contract.

The Clerk was asked to contact Derbyshire County Council to obtain details of maintenance for the all-weather pitch as detailed in the PFI contract.

**20/136 Town Hall and 47/49 Market Street**

A meeting of the Town Hall Committee will be arranged.

## **20/137          DALC**

Members were asked to vote for candidates seeking election to the DALC Executive.

**RESOLVED:** That the Council cast votes for Cllr Scholes from Bamford with Thornhill Parish Council and Councillor Gourlay from Chapel-en-le-Frith Parish Council.

## **20/138          Parks and Open Spaces**

### **Amenities Committee Terms of Reference**

Two amendments were made and Terms of Reference will be presented to the next Amenities Committee.

### **Solar Light – Chapel Memorial Park**

An offer has been received to repair the Solar Light in the Memorial Park and Councillor Young proposed and Councillor Dales seconded a motion to take up the offer of the repair.

**RESOLVED:** That a repair be carried out by a local electrician and supplier of a cherry picker to the Solar light subject to sight of Public Liability Insurance and to a maximum cost of £350.00.

### **Notice Board – Dove Holes**

Councillor Lawley proposed and Councillor Young seconded a motion that a Notice Board in the style of the Combs Notice Board be supplied for Dove Holes.

**RESOLVED:** That a Notice Board is ordered for Dove Holes and fixed on land adjacent to the Cricket Ground with the permission of Dove Holes Community Association.

### **Request from Chapel Business Association for a Christmas Tree for Townend**

Councillor Harrison proposed and Councillor Dales seconded a motion that the Council cover the cost of a public Christmas tree for Townend at a cost of £150.00 and undertake to provide this on an annual basis.

**RESOLVED:** That the Council fund a public Christmas Tree for Townend on an annual basis.

### **Christmas Tree Lighting**

The date for the switch on of Christmas lights will be Friday 29 November 2019.

Local community groups are organising Christmas events and the Chairman agreed to cover the cost of the hire of the Annexe from his allowance for a Santa's Grotto on 23 November 2019.

## **Request for permission to hold a Family Mile event in Chapel Memorial Park**

**RESOLVED:** That the request be granted.

## **20/139 Allotment Sites**

### **Request from six Electors to ask the Council to take into consideration the demand for allotments in the Parish**

A signed request has been received and two of the signatories have been asked to provide evidence that they were eligible to sign the request. Once this has been received the matter can be considered.

### **Request to ask the Council to review the procedures for the provision of existing allotment sites with a view to providing an additional site**

It was noted that there are four vacant allotment plots on the Dove Holes site.

The Council has a written agreement with the Courses Allotment Society and it was agreed that a meeting will be held with them on site to explore making more plots available.

The Council will also again consider if there is other suitable land available.

## **20/140 Correspondence**

### **Freedom of Information Request for an internal review of the request submitted by N Gourlay for information relating to the Leys Allotment site.**

A review has taken place and the information requested will be made available.

### **Freedom of Information Request received from N Gourlay to provide information about the Economic Regeneration Working Group**

Information that was not discussed by the Council in closed session under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings Act) 1960, s1 (2): which is deemed not to be commercially sensitive and would not disclose personal data, which could be seen to be in breach of the data protection legislation will be made available.

## **20/141 Schedule of Accounts presented for payment.**

Cheques numbered 008657 to 008676 were presented amounting to £18,165.39

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

**20/142          Any Other Business (For discussion only)**

Members were asked why they thought bursaries that are available for independent Schools within commuting distance of the Parish are not being taken up. There was no consensus of opinion as to why this is the case.

**20/143          Press Releases**

The Communications Committee will consider a press release to express thanks to all those involved in the recent events in Whaley Bridge.



**20/144**

**Matters to be discussed following the exclusion of the Public and Press**

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 22. 04 hours.

CHAIRMAN