

CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 1 OCTOBER 2019

Meeting Held: Tuesday 1 October 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, N Gourlay, FP Harrison, C Sizeland, Mrs S Walters and S Young.

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

Apologies: Councillors Mrs C Cobb, T Dales and C Lawley
Councillor J Perkins – Derbyshire County Council

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

Councillor Harrison said prayers.

20/207 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 Gourlay declared the following interest:

‘I declare an interest in the tender process for the sale of the Leys land, as I have a friend who will probably bid if that sale takes place. However, I intend to talk later about the process by which allotment status was removed from the Leys allotments, and I feel I can discuss this with impartiality’.

20/208 Co-option Chapel East Ward

Two residents applied for co-option for the vacant seat in Chapel East Ward. Mrs Patricia Green and Mr James Lambert.

A vote was taken with Mrs Green receiving 5 votes in favour and 4 votes against. Mr Lambert receiving 4 votes in favour and 5 votes against.

RESOLVED: That Mrs Patricia Green be co-opted onto the Council for Chapel East Ward.

20/209 Police Matters

Once the crime figures have been updated on the Derbyshire Constabulary website they will be presented to members.

20/210 Open Forum

A resident spoke about the Leys Allotment site and advised the Council that it was his opinion that he had been wrongfully evicted as an allotment holder in 2017.

20/211 MP, County Councillors and Borough Councillors

Councillor Perkins was not able to be present at the meeting due to holidays but asked that if members had any issues to email him directly.

It was confirmed that the change in the Library opening hours in Chapel-en-le-Frith was following a consultation by Derbyshire County Council on the Library service in Derbyshire.

The Borough Councillors were asked to update residents of Rosebay Gardens in Chapel-en-le-Frith about the status of the open space as agreed in the planning permission.

High Peak Borough Council are repainting some road signs.

Councillor Mrs Sizeland sent a report that she is working with the County Council with regard to highways matters on Long Lane, Chapel-en-le-Frith, in respect of the Rosebay Gardens development.

There are no further developments to report regarding the re-instatement of the CCTV camera on the Kings Arms Hotel.

20/212 Matters relating to Highways, Public Footpaths, and Public Services and Parish Improvements

The Clerk was asked to contact High Peak Borough Council regarding the public open space and play area on South Head Drive, Chapel-en-le-Frith to seek a resolution to the current issues.

It was noted that the S106 legal agreement is between High Peak Borough Council and Barratt homes and the Parish Council should not be looking to take on a liability that others have responsibility for.

Telephone Box adoption in Bagshaw

A request has been made by a resident of Bagshaw that the Council adopt the red telephone box in Bagshaw. The Clerk was asked to contact the resident regarding the future maintenance as other boxes adopted in the Parish are maintained by local groups.

Traffic arrangements Hayfield Road

There will be no further public consultation on Hayfield Road, Chapel-en-le-Frith and it two way traffic will be re-instated.

The following other matters were reported:

- There has been flooding in Whitehough again during recent heavy rain, which should be addressed by a new culvert.
- The lights on the War Memorial in Chapel-en-le-Frith are not working.
- Water is running down the steps from the Market Place onto Market Street as the grid does not take the water away.
- High Peak Borough Council are looking to bring their CCTV operation back in house.
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20/213 Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 3 September 2019

Minutes numbered 20/167 to 20/192 were presented.

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

20/214 Minutes of the Planning Committee held on 17 September 2019

Minutes numbered 20/193 to 20/199 were presented.

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

20/215 Minutes of the Town Hall Committee held on 7 August 2019

Minutes numbered 20/200 to 20/206 were presented.

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

20/216 Matters Arising from the above Minutes

Members of the Amenities Committee understood that meetings would be held after 5pm and this had not been recorded on the last Amenities Committee minutes.

The Council will review the Councils Honorary Freeman policy at the next meeting.

Members were reminded to let the Clerk have any possible regeneration projects for consideration by High Peak Borough Council.

20/217 Filming of Council Meetings

It was agreed that the Council should investigate the costs for the filming of meetings that would enable the Council to live stream meetings.

20/218 Neighbourhood Plan and Community Plan

No matters to report.

20/219 Economic Regeneration

No matters to report.

20/220 Outside Bodies

The Chairman advised that he had attended the Parish Liaison meeting with High Peak Borough Council.

20/221 Town Hall and 47/49 Market Street

No matters to report.

20/222 DALC

There were no matters to report.

20/223 Parks and Open Spaces

It was reported that members have been contacted about anti-social behaviour and residents are advised to report any incidents to the Police by ringing 101 or on the Derbyshire Constabulary website.

20/224 Allotment Sites

Proposal to reopen the Leys Allotment site to supply allotments

The Chairman outlined the points to consider in relation to the Leys Allotment Site:

- The site is situated in an area designated for employment use in the High Peak Local Plan and Chapel-en-le-Frith Neighbourhood Plan. The Council has a duty to uphold the Neighbourhood Plan which was adopted following a public referendum.
- The Council has worked in partnership with High Peak Borough Council to bring the land forward for employment use and a financial contribution has been made towards employing Consultants.
- High Peak Borough Council have identified that there is a need for employment sites in the Parish.
- The allotment statutory status has been lifted on part of the site which is subject to providing new allotments on the remainder of the site.

It was suggested by some members that the Council had not approved the application made to the Secretary of State. It was confirmed that the Council did approve the application and the minute of the decision accompanied the application which was requested by the Secretary of State. This minute was agreed in confidential business as interested parties and land values were discussed. Now the Secretary of State has made a ruling this is in the public domain.

Councillor Gourlay proposed and Councillor Adshead seconded a motion that the Leys allotment site be re-opened to supply allotments.

Four members voted in favour and 5 against.

RESOLVED: That the Leys allotment site is not re-opened.

Keeping of livestock on allotments

The Chairman advised that the keeping of livestock was not permitted on the Courses Allotment site or the Dove Holes Allotment site.

20/225 Correspondence

The following correspondence was tabled:

- ICO factsheet – use of personal email addresses and devices.
- The Chairman advised members that the conclusion of audit report had been received from PFK Littlejohn who confirmed the regulatory requirements have been met, with no matters to report.

20/226 Racism

There have been a number of comments made by some members on social media which are perceived to be inappropriate and offensive by those members affected. All members were reminded of the Councils Code of Conduct and encouraged to undertake Code of Conduct training and show respect to others both at meetings and outside.

If a member or a member of the public has an issue with the conduct of a Councillor then this should be reported to the Monitoring Officer at High Peak Borough Council.

20/227 Schedule of Accounts presented for payment.

Cheques numbered 008701 to 008723 were presented amounting to £10,567.67
RESOLVED: That the cheques be signed and the accounts to which they relate be paid.

RESOLVED: That the mandate to transfer from the Royal Bank of Scotland telephone autopay system, which is closing, to the online autopay system be signed.

20/228 Any Other Business (For discussion only)

The F & GP Committee were asked to look at the re-designation of the Councils bank accounts to allow internet banking.

The Council were asked to consider if draft minutes should be attached to the agenda posted on the Councils website.

Chapel Garden Club have advised that they do not wish to continue being responsible for the planter at Longmeade Drive, Chapel-en-le-Frith.

A FOI request for the Combs Reservoir disaster plan has been made available to a member in a substantially redacted format.

20/229 Press Releases

- Co-opted Councillor for Chapel East Ward and Dove Holes and Martinside Ward.

20/230 **Matters to be discussed following the exclusion of the Public and Press**

None

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 21.30 hours.

CHAIRMAN

Chapel-en-le-Frith Parish Council					
Schedule of Accounts -		1st October 2019			
Cq No	Payee	Description	Net	VAT	Gross
8701	Waterplus	Town Hall water	267.41	0.00	267.41
8702	HMRC	Tax & NI contribution	1647.36	0.00	1647.36
8703	Stoney, Philbin & Co.	PAYE Preparation	348.00	69.60	417.60
8704	B.T.	Phone & broadband	114.27	22.85	137.12
8705	Chapel DIY	Parks - various	189.37	37.88	227.25
8706	Mr David Wilson	Glasses	400.00	0.00	400.00
8707	I.W.I.S. Ltd	Safety boots	40.00	8.00	48.00
8708	VOID	VOID	0.00	0.00	0.00
8709	Waterplus	47-49 Mkt St - Water	100.42	0.00	100.42
8710	Chapel Tool Hire	Oil	5.95	1.19	7.14
8711	Mrs E. Howe	Mileage	9.75	0.00	9.75
8712	ESPO	Gas - Town Hall	148.84	7.44	156.28
8713	Halls Mica Hardware	Park - Various	25.22	5.04	30.26
8714	David Ross Ltd	Plants	74.10	14.82	88.92
8715	Total Gas & power	Electricity- Town Hall	298.22	59.64	357.86
8716	VALE	Training - Chemical spraying - Parks	365.00	73.00	438.00
8717	Selves	Petty cash	150.00	0.00	150.00
8718	Post Office Ltd	Stamps	61.00	0.00	61.00
8719	Imprest Account	Wages provision	5000.00	0.00	5000.00
8720	Dove Holes Tyre Centre	Tyre replacement & repairs	103.75	20.75	124.50
8721	Rialtas	Booking sytem backup	149.00	29.80	178.80
8722	VOID		0.00	0.00	0.00
8723	PKF Littlejohn LLP	Annual review	600.00	120.00	720.00
			10097.66	470.01	10567.67

	Receipts received in September			
	Hall Hire	1st - 30th September	£788.25	
	Rent	Shop 47/49 Mkt Street	£0.00	
	Rent	Flat 47/49 Market Street	£525.00	
	DCC	Library Rent	£2,125.00	
			£3,438.25	
	Bank Balances as of 1st October 2019			
	Practice Call		1577.70	
	Imprest A/C		4965.23	
	SBI A/C		£ 213,565.97	
	Total		£220,108.90	