

CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 5 NOVEMBER 2019

- Meeting Held:** Tuesday 5 November 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, Mrs C Cobb, T Dales, N Gourlay, Mrs L Green, FP Harrison, C Lawley, C Sizeland and S Young.
- In Attendance:** Mrs S E Stockdale – Clerk to the Council
- Apologies:** Councillor Mrs S Walters

At the commencement of the meeting there were six members of the public and no members of the press present. Members of the public were advised that the meeting was being filmed by Councillor Gourlay.

No prayers were said.

The Chairman extended a welcome to new members Councillor Mrs C Cobb and Mrs L Green.

Members observed two minutes silence in memory of Malcom Cawthorn who was a former member of the Parish Council and who served as Chairman from 1992 – 1994. County Councillor Mrs Alison Fox, who has died recently, was also remembered as she represented part of the Parish.

20/246 Declarations of Interest

The following declarations of interest were made:

Councillor J Adshead – Chapel Town 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 Lawley - Leys Allotments and as friend of Councillor C Sizeland and Mrs K Sizeland.

Councillors Bann, Lawley, Sizeland and Young declared an interest in agenda item 23 – General Election hustings.

Councillor Lawley declared an interest in agenda item 24 due to his work which extends to Syria.

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'.

20/247 Police Matters

It was reported that a meeting has been held with Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinators and a newsletter will be sent out prior to a formal launch in the New Year.

20/248 Open Forum

A resident spoke about Badger culling Derbyshire, toxic smoke and builder's rubble at a property in Combs together with air quality due to the volume of traffic in Chapel-en-le-Frith.

20/249 MP, County Councillors and Borough Councillors

High Peak Borough Councillor Mrs K Sizeland sent a report on the CCTV camera that has not been reinstated on the Kings Arms Public House, Chapel-en-le-Frith.

RESOLVED: The Clerk write to the leader of High Peak Borough Council to ask that the camera be fixed to a pole rather than on the property and suggested that a second camera on Chapel Market Place is considered together with an application for funding from the Police and Crime Commissioner.

Copies of the letter to go to Councillor Mrs K Sizeland, S Young and the Director at High Peak Borough Council dealing with the issue.

Councillor Young reported that the following regeneration items have been included in the High Peak Borough Council Corporate Plan:

- Chapel Market Place
- Extension to the Thornbrook Road Car Park
- Play Area on South Head Drive, Chapel-en-le-Frith

20/250 Matters relating to Highways, Public Footpaths, and Public Services and Parish Improvements

It was agreed that the various issues regarding flooding in Whitehough will be collated by the Ward member and sent to the Flood Officer at Derbyshire County Council.

Residents who have expressed an interest in becoming a snow warden should register with Derbyshire County Council.

The Clerk was asked to report:

- Parking causing an obstruction at the junction of Highfield Avenue and Cowlow Lane Dove Holes
- Damage to the High Peak Bus timetable outside the Town Hall, Chapel-en-le-Frith.

20/251 Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 1 October 2019

Minutes numbered 20/207 to 20/230 were presented.

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

20/252 Minutes of the Planning Committee held on 15 October 2019

Minutes numbered 20/231 to 20/237 were presented.

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

20/253 Minutes of the Amenities Committee held on 25 October 2019

Minutes numbered 20/238 to 20/245 were presented.

Councillor Harrison declared an interest in the planter on Longmeade Drive as he lives there. The minutes were amended to include the declaration.

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

20/254 Matters Arising from the above Minutes

20/210 – a letter has been sent to allotment holder who spoke in the Open Forum at the October Full Council meeting.

20/211 – It was reported that a fence has been erected at Rosebay Gardens development

20/212 – High Peak Borough Council have confirmed they will provide further information in respect of the play area on South Head Drive, Chapel-en-le-Frith.

20/224 – It was agreed that the Amenities Committee would consider the keeping of livestock on the allotments at Dove Holes.

It was confirmed that Committees of the Council can have agenda items to exclude the public and press from meetings if required.

20/255 Membership of Committees

Councillor Mrs C Cobb and Councillor Mrs L Green were appointed to the following committees of the Council:

Planning Committee
Amenities Committee
Regeneration Committee

It was noted that Councillor Gourlay has resigned as the Councils nominee to the George and Sarah Beresford Trust.

20/256 Paper to publish with agendas

Councillor Sizeland proposed and Councillor Gourlay seconded a motion to seek additional training for members from DALC.

Four members voted in favour, 7 against and 1 abstention.

RESOLVED: No further action to be taken

20/257 Neighbourhood Plan and Community Plan

No matters to report.

20/258 Economic Regeneration

No matters to report.

20/259 Outside Bodies

Reports were received from members who have attended the following outside bodies:

- Leisure Centre Joint users meeting. Councillor Gourlay declared an interest as a neighbour of Chapel High School. The Leisure Centre current price list was presented.
- Peak Park Parishes Day
- Chapel Market Place Working Group

20/260 Town Hall and 47/49 Market Street

No matters to report.

20/261 DALC

Training will be arranged for new Councillors.

20/262 Parks and Open Spaces

The Memorial Park Centenary Working Group was agreed as the Amenities Committee and Councillor Young.

20/262 Allotment Sites

It was agreed that the Amenities Committee will consider further the felling of a tree on the Courses Allotment site and further quotes be obtained.

20/263 Remembrance Sunday arrangements

It was agreed that the Vice Chairman will lay the wreath at the Chapel War Memorial and Councillor Cobb at the Dove Holes War Memorial.

20/264 Christmas Tree Lighting arrangements

Councillors Bann, Mrs Cobb, Mrs Green and Sizeland volunteered to marshal the Christmas tree lighting on Chapel Market Place.

20/265 F & GP Committee

The Clerk will confirm a date for the Committee to meet.

20/266 Honorary Freeman

Councillor Sizeland proposed and Councillor Gourlay seconded a motion that the Council adopt the NALC Policy as outlined in Legal Topic Note 12 March 2013. Four members voted in favour, 7 against and 1 abstention.

RESOLVED: That this policy is not adopted.

Councillor McCarthy proposed and Councillor Lawley seconded a motion that a Working Group considers the making of Honorary Freeman together with Community Awards.

All members were in agreement.

RESOLVED: that a Working Group considers the making of Honorary Freeman together with Community Awards.

20/267 General Election Hustings

It was agreed that the Council would consider any requests from community groups for the use of a room for this purpose.

20/268 Town Twinning with Syria

Councillors Adshead and Lawley will undertake some research and report back to the Council.

20/269 Correspondence

The following correspondence was tabled:

- HPBC Standards Committee vacancies – Councillors Bann, Mrs Cobb and Lawley asked for their names to be put forward.
- Correspondence from Mrs M Morrison regarding the Footpaths Working Group. Councillors Adshead, Lawley, Sizeland and Walters will take this forward.
- Correspondence from T Beswick regarding the filming of Council meetings
- Correspondence from DEFRA – Brookside Pastures
- Correspondence from G E Barratt Trust – Brookside Pastures. A date will be set for a tour of Brookside Pastures for interested members
- Digital Derbyshire Broadband delivery in Dove Holes
- Five Freedom of Information requests were received in October 2019
- Correspondence from the George and Sarah Beresford Trust
- Manchester and East Midlands Action Partnership Press Release

20/270 Schedule of Accounts presented for payment.

Cheques numbered 008724 to 008748 were presented amounting to £12,280.70

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

20/271 Any Other Business (For discussion only)

Any voluntary groups seeking funding, who were involved in the Todbrook Reservoir disaster, should contact Councillor Sizeland.

20/229 Press Releases

None.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 22.25 hours.

CHAIRMAN