

CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 3 MARCH 2020

- Meeting Held:** Tuesday 3 March 2020 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, C Lawley, C Sizeland and S Young.
- In Attendance:** Mrs S E Stockdale – Clerk to the Council
- Apologies:** Councillor FP Harrison and Mrs S Walters
Rev Colin Pearson
PC S Lomas

There were three members of the public and no members of the press present.

20/402 Declarations of Interest

The following declarations of interest were made:

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.

20/403 Police Matters

PC Lomas was not able to attend the meeting as he had been called to an incident prior to the commencement of the meeting. He advised that he will forward his report to the Clerk.

It was reported that 60 residents have expressed an interest in Community Speedwatch and three training sessions have been organised.

It was also reported that 641 residents have responded to the Neighbourhood Watch leaflets and there will now be a meeting at the Town Hall on 24 March 2020 at 7pm for street coordinators. Councillor Bann and Dales expressed their thanks to all who had helped with the delivery of the leaflets.

It was reported that there has been recent incidents of attempted burglary in Chapel-en-le-Frith.

The bus shelter on Manchester Road, Chapel-en-le-Frith has been vandalised and this has been reported to Derbyshire County Council.

20/404 Open Forum

A resident spoke in the Open Forum about School children causing a disturbance on Church Brown on their way home from School. It was agreed that this was a matter that should be referred to the local Safer Neighbourhood Police Team.

20/405 MP, County Councillors and Borough Councillors

Councillor Lawley gave a report on behalf of the MP:

- Robert Lorgan MP will be holding his next Surgery at Morrison's on 7 March 2020
- He has been elected to the Transport Select Committee
- He has recently visited Todbrook Reservoir and was asked to look at raised water levels in Combs Reservoir
- He has helped with the evacuation of a local resident from Wuhan
- He is liaising with the Health Secretary over Stepping Hill hospital
- He now has an office on Market Street in Whaley Bridge

It was noted that the Council passed a resolution some years ago to allow the MP free use of the Annexe in the Town Hall for the purpose of holding surgeries.

Councillor Young gave a report on behalf of the County Councillor:

- An initial survey had been undertaken on Church Brow regarding the highway surface and a more in depth inspection will now take place.

Councillor Young reported that High Peak Borough Council have re-scheduled the meeting regarding CCTV cameras and drainage work will be undertaken at Miry Meadow Car Park in relation to the installation of a EV charging point.

20/406 Matters relating to Highways, Public Footpaths, and Public Services and Parish Improvements

Members had received a presentation from MEMRAC who are bidding for funding to open the Buxton to Derby Rail line. It was noted that Peak Rail have also made a bid for funding in this respect.

It was agreed that a meeting will be arranged with MEMRAC after 16th March 2020 when the funding situation will be clearer.

It was agreed that the Amenities Committee will be asked to consider information received from the Councils Insurers in relation to the proposed 'flying litter bin'.

The Committee were asked to consider consequential damage/liability, siting and health and safety implications in relation to the emptying of the bin.

It was agreed that the Council would consider a campaign to 'take litter home' in the spring.

The Council have received an initial report from DEFRA on land at Brookside Pastures as an interested party.

It was agreed that as this was a technical document dealing with the management of the land the Council would not comment. However, it was noted that the drainage problems on the land are exacerbated by a blocked culvert on the railway and that this should be highlighted.

20/409 Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 4 February 2020

Minutes numbered 20/360 to 20/385 were presented.

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

20/410 Minutes of the Planning Committee held on 5 February 2020

Minutes numbered 20/386 to 20/391 were presented.

There was an omission in the minutes that the Council would make representation on a planning appeal at Bowden Hall in relation to the historic bell.

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

20/411 Minutes of the Regeneration Committee held on 11 February 2020

Minutes numbered 20/393 to 20/398 were presented.

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

20/412 Matters Arising from the above Minutes

Councillor Gourlay proposed and Councillors Dales seconded a motion that the Council purchase eight planters as detailed in the Regeneration Committee minutes subject to receiving grant funding from High Peak Borough Council.

RESOLVED: That the Council purchase eight planters as detailed in the Regeneration Committee minutes subject to receiving grant funding from High Peak Borough Council.

It was agreed that confirmation should be sought from the High Peak Borough Council Regeneration Officer in respect of proposals made in the Regeneration Committee minutes in relation to funding.

It was agreed that Mr Davidson is asked to give his broadband presentation to all members who are interested prior to a Full Council meeting.

20/413 Neighbourhood Plan and Community Plan

The Council have been contacted by residents of Bank Hall Drive in relation to the stone gate posts in the Local Green Space that are being removed. This matter is being dealt with by High Peak Borough Council.

20/414 Economic regeneration

No matters to report.

20/415 Outside Bodies

No matters to report.

20/416 Town Hall and 47/49 Market Street

No matters to report.

20/417 DALC

Members were circulated with a copy of the DALC training programme.

20/418 Parks and Open Spaces

High Peak Borough Council have advised that the service provided in relation to the inspection of play equipment has been transferred Alliance Environmental Services which is a conglomeration of High Peak Borough Council, Staffordshire Moorlands Borough Council and East Cheshire Borough Council.

It was agreed that the Council continue with this new company to undertake monthly inspections of the Councils Play Equipment in line with Insurance conditions.

20/419 Allotment Sites

Members were informed that inspections of the allotments will take place before 31 March 2020 and a report will be made to the April Full Council meeting detailing the number of vacant plots.

20/420 Correspondence

- Parish and Town Council Liaison Forum
- Letter from J Lomas and J Chapman

It was noted that permission has to be sought from Derbyshire County Council who are the Highway Authority prior to the placement of grit bins on or adjacent to the highway.

Derbyshire County Council will supply piles of grit adjacent to the highway if requested.

20/421 Parish Council Monthly Newsletter

Councillor McCarthy proposed and Councillor Dales seconded a resolution that the Council should publish a monthly newsletter after each Full Council Meeting.

RESOLVED: That Councillors Mrs Cobb and McCarthy will take this forward with the Clerk and prior to any newsletter being published it will be sent to all members.

20/422 Visits to local business

It was agreed that the following local business be approached to see if they would be amenable to a visit from the Council:

- Cemex
- Buxton Water
- Federal Mogul
- Street Crane
- NoMow
- Leander Architectural

20/423 Schedule of Accounts presented for payment.

Cheques numbered 008809 to 008820 were presented amounting to £9,759.65.

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

Cheque number 008818 for £6,420.58 payable to High Peak Borough Council is for election costs in May 2019:

- Chapel East Ward - £2,429.06
- Chapel West Ward - £3,991.52

20/424 Additional RBS Bank Account to enable internet banking

RESOLVED: That the Council open an additional bank account with the Royal Bank of Scotland to enable internet banking. That the Council apply for a charge card with the F & GP Committee agreeing a policy for its use.

20/425 Committee Dates

The Clerk and Chairman of the following committees were asked to organise meeting dates:

- Amenities, Communications and Town Hall Committees

20/426 Any Other Business (For discussion only)

It was noted that Derbyshire County Council will only consider requests to keep street lights on all night that are part of the partial night lighting scheme if the request is made by the Police on community safety grounds.

20/427 Press Releases

- New monthly newsletter
- Neighbourhood Watch meetings
- Speedwatch
- Recent attempted burglaries

The Chairman closed the meeting at 21.10 hours.

CHAIRMAN