

# **HEATH & HOLMEWOOD PARISH COUNCIL**

## **MINUTES OF THE FULL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE PAVILION ON WEDNESDAY THE 13th OF JANUARY 2010 AT 7.00 PM.**

### **438-13/01/10 In attendance:**

Cllrs Stone, (Chair), Bettney, Bond, Cane-Soothill, Cornwell Ball, Slater, Smith, Sockett, Williams, Clerk K Steele, RFO M Buckle and Mr A Allsop.

### **Agenda**

#### **Part One Non Exempt Information**

##### **439-13/01/10 Chair's Opening Remarks**

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

##### **440-13/01/10 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies had been received from Cllr Glasby, County Councillor Chapman and the police.

Resolved: To note, the Clerk to write to Cllr Glasby to allow continued leave of absence due to illness.

##### **441-13/01/10 Public Forum**

There was one member of the public present who would talk under agenda item War Memorial.

Resolved: To note.

##### **442-13/01/10 Declarations of Interests**

Cllr Sockett declared a personal interest in Clerks's Report – Office Furniture.

Resolved: To note.

##### **443-13/01/10 War Memorial – Discussion to include names of fallen from the two world wars with advice from Mr A Allsop**

The Chair suspended standing orders, seconded by Cllr Williams so that Mr Allsop could speak to the Council. Mr Allsop gave some background information on his past work with the Parish Council. He advised members that he has spent a lot of time on researching the names of the fallen from the two world wars, and this has involved a lot of travelling and expense, and around ten years of work. Most other war memorials had names placed on them between 1922 and 1923 when families could tell of their relatives and friends who had lost their lives during the 1<sup>st</sup> world war. Obviously it is now 90 years later and the task becomes much harder to get a definitive list of names. Mr Allsop advised that he could offer 63 names for the 1st and second world wars, all have been thoroughly researched, but the Parish Council now needs to set criteria for placing names on the war memorial as a first step. It was agreed to form a committee to take the first step of setting this criteria. This committee would meet on 27 January 2010 at 7pm and work with Mr Allsop on the project. The Chair thanked Mr Allsop for attending and said on behalf of the Council

that they were all pleased to work with him so that this project could reach a conclusion satisfactory to all parties concerned.

Resolved: Proposed: Cllr Sockett, seconded: Cllr Stone, that a committee be formed consisting of Cllrs Cornwell Ball, Sockett and Williams, all voted in favour. The first meeting to take place on Wednesday 27 January 2010 at 7pm at the Pavilion.

#### **444-13/01/10 Police Report and District/County Council Report. District Report to include item on Derbyshire Film Club and North East Derbyshire Accessibility Projects**

##### **Police**

The crime figures for December had been circulated.

Resolved: To note.

##### **County Council**

County Councillor Chapman had sent his apologies.

Resolved: To note.

##### **District Council**

Cllr Williams advised that Sergeant Sally Blaiklock had replaced Sgt Mark Smith at Clay Cross. Councillors were also told that the green bin collection would be suspended in favour of collecting black bins and would resume again on 1 February 2010. The Clerk would advertise this by posters on notice boards, website and in the library and doctors surgery. Councillors were told that there is a vacancy for a District Councillor in the ward and that an election has been called with two people standing. The election will be held on 4 February 2010. Councillors agreed not to pursue any funding from the NE Derbyshire Accessibility project for a mobile post office service. It was also agreed that if anyone wished to view the DVD of Hidden Histories they should contact the Clerk.

Resolved: To note the above.

#### **445-13/01/10 To accept the Minutes of the December Meeting**

The minutes of the full Parish Council meeting held in December were accepted as a true record.

Resolved: Proposed: Cllr Sockett, seconded: Cllr Williams, that the minutes of the full Parish Council meeting in December be accepted as a true record, all voted in favour.

#### **446-13/01/10 Report from the Clerk including action taken from previous meetings and correspondence received**

##### **Action Points:**

1. Parking and obstruction issues in the parish. The Clerk reported that PCSO Sweet will pass the parking issues on to the traffic management officers at County Council. The Clerk was asked to contact PCSO Sweet to advise that obstruction is taking place on Thursday and Friday afternoons and all evenings on Searston Avenue near Hall Farm and could the area be checked again at these times.
2. CCTV – The Clerk advised that information about the recording equipment would be requested from Advance and then an update given to the police.
3. Pavilion Office Furniture - The Clerk advised councillors that quotes for new chairs and a new table had been received from three suppliers, Frank Berry, BW Office Furniture and Viking. Councillors agreed not to go ahead with the purchase.

4. Water Feature – Memorial Gardens. It had been vandalised several times and as two claims had been made on the insurance it was now classed as a high risk item with a large excess to pay. Councillors agreed that in the Spring Cllr Smith would see if it could be repaired.

Resolved: Proposed: Cllr Williams, seconded: Cllr Cane-Soothill not to go ahead with the furniture purchase, all voted in favour apart from four against.

### **Correspondence**

1. D Slack – Quote for hanging baskets 2010.

Resolved: Proposed: Cllr Stone, seconded Cllr Smith that the Parish Council continues to use Richards Nurseries, all voted in favour.

2. Parishioner – Gritting. The Clerk had received a request from a parishioner asking if the Parish Council could use funding from its precept to grit the road from Temple Normanton Garage along Mansfield Road up to Slack Lane Heath, as presently County Council do not grit the road. The Clerk advised that part of the road is in the parish of Temple Normanton.

Resolved: The Clerk to reply advising that Temple Normanton Parish Council has advised that they would not be in a position to use their precept for gritting the road and County Council has advised that the idea is not feasible as no guarantees could be made that the road would be gritted in adverse weather conditions where central government takes control away from local councils of distribution of salt and grit.

3. DCC – Derbyshire Community Climate Action Conference 13 March 2010

Resolved: To note, no councillor is able to attend.

4. NEDDC – Ethical Standards Committee 4 March 2010.

Resolved: To note.

5. Anderson Partnership – Lease of land lying to north of Searston Avenue, Holmewood. Confirmation that the lease has been completed on 15 December 2009 with Derbyshire County Council.

Resolved: to note.

6. Heath Village Community Association – Traffic in Heath Village. An email from Heath Village Community Association with concerns over the speeding traffic through Heath Village and people using it as a short cut.

Resolved: The Clerk to write to the secretary to advise of steps taken previously by the Parish Council and to advise that they continue to lobby the police about the traffic. The Clerk to copy the email to the police.

### **Late**

7. NEDDC – District and Parish Liaison Group meeting 24 March 2010.

Resolved: To note, Cllr Williams to attend.

8. Anderson Partnership Lease of land lying to north of Searston Avenue. Confirmation that the registration of the lease is now complete with the Land Registry and copies of title information have been received.

Resolved: To note.

9. Steve Shaw – Sustainable Communities Act Amendment Bill. Notification that 260 MP's have signed the Early Day Motion in support of this Bill.

Resolved: To note.

10. DALC – General Circulars.

Resolved: To note.

### **Items for Information**

Derbyshire Sport – Jog Derbyshire Initiative.

Resolved: To note.

### **447-13/01/10 Accounts – Report from RFO.**

The RFO passed the accounts to all councillors. The RFO discussed the accounts for December and told the Council that the cash balance at the end of December is £63,573 with an amount of interest in the deposit account which had been transferred to the current account. The RFO reported that if all outstanding projects are completed as projected, and running costs are as budgeted, the amount in reserves will be £10,175 which is £175 above the Council's agreed amount. Section 137 expenditure to date is £2,305. A bill has been received from NEDDC for the cost of the Searston Avenue play area for £29,400. The Council has received the £15k from the DCC Youth Opportunities Fund but will not get the Viridor funding until the play area is completed. Rykneld Homes have been invoiced for their £5k grant. An invoice had also been received for £2k from NEDDC for their admin/consultancy charges for the Searston Avenue play area. The external auditor had advised on the annual return for the year ended March 2009 for the Council to review the level of fidelity insurance cover. The Clerk had contacted the external auditor to ask for advice and had been told that the cover for the level of the fidelity insurance is recommended to be the year end balance plus 50% of the precept. The Council is currently insured for £60k and the RFO recommended that the cash balance for y/e 31 March 2010 will be less due to expenditure this year being more and Council were advised to leave the level at £60k for the moment but agenda it for review again in June 2010.

Resolved: Proposed: Cllr Williams, seconded Cllr Sockett to pay the invoice for £2k plus VAT to NEDDC for the admin/consultancy charges on the Searston Avenue play area, also to pay the full amount to NEDDC for the remaining funding of the Searston Avenue play area, all voted in favour. Proposed: Cllr Williams, seconded: Cllr Stone to agenda the review of the fidelity insurance again in June, all voted in favour.

Proposed: Cllr Sockett, seconded Cllr Cane – Soothill, to accept the accounts for the nine months ended 31 December 2009, and to accept the cash book payments for the end of December 2009, all voted in favour.

### **448-13/01/10 Planning**

09/1066/FL Variation of conditions one and two of 08/10225/FL to allow traders to arrive at 10am instead of 11am and 3 inflatables to be on site at approved car boot sales for Mr Snow at the Twin Oaks car boot sale.

Resolved: To note, no objection.

### **Planning Decisions Conditionally Approved:**

09/00947/FL Use of land for concrete batching plant incorporating cement storage silo – associated storage enclosures – aggregate bins – site cabins and concrete hard standings at land and building to the rear of Baldwins Crane Hire, Park Road, Holmewood for Mr J Turner.

### **449-13/01/10 Update on Searston Avenue Play Area Project – Report from Cllr Cornwell Ball To include proposal to pay consultancy charges to NEDDC**

Councillors were advised that another meeting was planned for 8 February 2010 at 7pm.

Resolved: The Clerk to send agendas out for the meeting on 8 February. Proposed: Cllr Williams, seconded Cllr Stone to pay the £2k invoice for the admin/consultancy charges to NEDDC.

**450-13/01/10 Annual Award 2010 – To consider the two nominations received and proposal to make a decision on the recipient of the award**

Two nominations had been made for the annual award. The Council discussed and voted on the nominations.

Resolved: Proposed: Cllr Stone, seconded Cllr Slater that the award be presented to Mr Holden. The Clerk to arrange the booking of St Alban's parish centre and buffet and to inform Mr Holden.

**451-13/01/10 Update from the Risk Register Committee – Report from Cllr Stone**

Councillors were informed that the Risk Register Committee would meet on 26 January 2010 to discuss progress and updates. A proposal was made to invite Cllr Bond to join the Risk Register committee.

Resolved: Proposed: Cllr Smith, seconded Cllr Stone that Cllr Bond joins the Risk Register Committee, all voted in favour, with their next meeting to be held on 26 January 2010 at 7pm at the Pavilion.

**452-13/01/10 Grit Bins in Heath Village – Report from Cllr Williams**

Cllr Williams advised she had been contacted by a resident of Heath Village to ask for more grit bins to be placed around Heath Village. The Clerk advised that in February 2009 Heath Village Community Association had requested a grit bin be placed on Heath Common and the Parish Council had asked where they wanted it, a reply was still awaited.

Resolved: Proposed; Cllr Sockett, seconded Cllr Williams that the Clerk contacts Heath Village Community Association and asks if the Association have decided where on Heath Common they would like a grit bin placing, all voted in favour.

**453-13/01/10 CRB Checks – Identification Checks**

Resolved: Cllr Slater to action and check all applications with the Clerk as a witness.

As there was no confidential item to be presented, the meeting closed at 9.10 pm.