

Bonsall Parish Council
Minutes of the Bonsall Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 16th November 2021 at 7.30pm at
Bonsall Village Hall

Chair of the Council: Cllr Mark Harris

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Minute No	Item	Action
16/11/1	Present: Cllrs Addis Barry Harris and Taylor, District and County Cllr Murphy, and Mr T Payne (Clerk/RFO). Two members of the public.	
16/11/2 16/11/3	Apologies for Absence: Cllrs Grover J. Smith and S. Smith, K. Potter Peak Park Forum, and District Cllr Purdy Variation to the Order of Business: none.	Clerk
16/11/4	Declaration of Interests: none.	
16/11/5	Public Speaking: Motocross Bonsall Moor: a member of the Bonsall Moor Action Group outlined the current position in relation to the involvement of the group at the Enquiry into the appeal against planning enforcement. The hearing was on 15 th February 2022, at the Aldern House Peak District National Park offices in Bakewell. The inspector was to visit the site 14 th February. The hearing would be open to the public. Cllr Murphy said that the situation in relation to lead levels was still subject to legal discussions and there was no information that could be released at present. Village Sign: a member of the village sign group spoke about how the group saw the next stage of work might progress. The Parish Council was being asked to recommend their preferred elements of the various designs that had been submitted, so that these could be given to a graphic designer with a brief to finalise it. The group wanted the Parish Council to now take the project under their umbrella, as this would assist with fundraising (otherwise the group would have to become formally constituted, with its own bank account). (See further item 16/11/8(a)). Slinter Quarry Planning application: Cllr Murphy provided an update on the current situation with the planning application. The County Council were still waiting for information from the applicant in relation to biodiversity issues, and once received they would need to do their own analysis which might involve consultants, and would take time. The earliest hearing of the planning application would consequently be January or February. If so it was expected that there may be an application for a variation to the current planning permission which expires on 31 December 2021; if that variation was to allow continued removal of material from the bottom of the quarry it would be difficult to oppose, but any application to work at the higher level would be a ' <i>different kettle of fish</i> ' and would be likely to go to Committee to be heard (see further item 16/11/8 (m)). County Council flood works: Cllr Murphy said that he had walked the village with Emma Price the DCC project engineer the previous week; they were preparing a scheme for substantive works as against patchwork; funding would not be available for any works until the next financial year. He said that County officers were reluctant to discuss full scheme details until they had been finalised and submitted for approval. Safety improvement works on Via Gellia: Cllr Murphy was trying to find information on the road improvement scheme that had been previously mentioned by Cllr Ratcliffe, and would report back.	
16/11/6	Minutes of the last meeting: The Chair signed the minutes of the meeting held on 19 th October 2021.	
16/11/7	Chair's Announcements: none.	

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16/11/8	<p>VILLAGE MATTERS.</p> <p>a) Village Sign: the Clerk reported two comments from residents (previously circulated) supporting a sign incorporating T'Owd Man of Bonsall. Councillors discussed the various drawings that had been submitted, and agreed that the following elements should be incorporated into the final design; the Bonsall broach; Church and rural setting; prominence to T'Owd Man (including the detail of T'Owd Man digging underground). One of the favourite styles was that of a drawing from Graham Hill. After discussion it was agreed to take this on as a Parish Council project, and first steps would be to establish a working group to look at finalising the design and fundraising. It was intended to ask a graphic designer to work these elements into a final composition. Cllrs Murphy said that there may be potential County Council funding to assist with initial costs; noted with thanks. It was also agreed to seek sponsorship.</p> <p>b) The Fountain: the Clerk reported two incidents of damage to the railings and plinth of the Fountain monument; one on the northern side by an unknown vehicle around 5-7th November; the other on the southern side on 10th November. The latter had been witnessed and the delivery driver spoken to and admitted the incident; CCTV footage was also available. The delivery company concerned and the Council's insurers had been notified. Further information would be reported in due course. Noted.</p> <p>c) WC handryer: the Chair reported that this had now been repaired; noted with thanks.</p> <p>d) Christmas trees: a tree at the Cross bandstand would be available when the pine at 1 High Street was taken down (Clerk to discuss installation with Leigh Johnson; noted that arrangements were in place for Uppertown.</p> <p>e) Planter boxes: it was reported that new planter boxes were needed at the bottom of the Dale (2), and at the Fountain (1). It was agreed that Cllrs Harris and Barry would seek costs for replacement (in consultation with the Clerk) and report back to the next meeting. It was agreed that the Parish Council would meet the costs of plants as needed for these and the other village planter boxes (3 at the top of the Dale and 1 at Uppertown) and to enable this it was proposed that at next month's budget meeting the annual planting budget would set at £250.</p> <p>f) Dog control: (1) Public Space Protection Orders: the Council considered new DDDC proposal to remove dog control orders from the Bandstand at the Cross and at Nether Green. After discussion it was agreed to request retention of the orders on both sites. (2) General: the Council considered the general problem of dealing with dog waste; particular areas identified were Stepping Lane, Dobb Lane, the path from the churchyard to the park and the path between 28/30 High Street. It was agreed to ask the District Council for enforcement action, and to publicise the problem in Mutterings.</p> <p>g) DCC Flood works: it was noted that the scheme of works was still being prepared and there would be no implementation until May 2022 at the earliest.</p> <p>h) Speedwatch: the Chair reported on a session 05 November; 80 vehicles had been monitored on the Clatterway and at the vehicle park; on this occasion none were exceeding the 30mph limit. It was agreed to hold another session in January; the Chair emphasised that the object of the exercise was not to catch people speeding and report them, but to encourage compliance with the speed limits in the interests of road and resident safety. Noted.</p> <p>i) Report of rats at Cross: the Clerk and Councillors reported that there had been no further complaints received as a result of public consultation on this. In the circumstances it was agreed that no further action could be taken by the Parish Council at present.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Cllrs Barry/ Harris/ Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Cllrs Addis/ Barry Grover/ Harris/ Clerk</p>
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	<p>j) Queen’s Jubilee Beacon 2022: the Clerk and Councillors reported that there had been no response to requests for public involvement in this project, and in the circumstances it was agreed that the Parish would not be participating, and that Matlock Town Council (who were co-ordinating placement of their own beacon) would be advised accordingly.</p> <p>k) Village Welcome Pack: an updated version of the leaflet had been circulated. Various additional comments were put forward, and it was agreed that these should be sent to Cllr Taylor to enable her to prepare another draft for circulation. If necessary anyone interested in contributing would meet to finalise this before the next meeting, otherwise a final draft could be submitted for approval at the next meeting.</p> <p>l) Park (1) General: no maintenance action needed; noted. (2) Vehicle park working group 10 November: the Clerk reported on the outcome of the meeting (minutes previously circulated). It was agreed to accept the recommendations of the working group as follows:</p> <p>Signage; a large introductory village was sign not now to be pursued as an immediate priority on grounds of cost; an A2 size sign was to be prepared stating charges and basic conditions of use (Clerk to draft);</p> <p>Storage unit; noted that District Council planning had confirmed that a unit could be sited anywhere within the vehicle park;</p> <p>Preparation of base; noted that Valley Landscapes were going to quote on the options; other quotes to be obtained as necessary;</p> <p>Charge box installation; noted that this was being arranged with Carl Taylor by Cllrs Grover and S. Smith in consultation with the Clerk;</p> <p>Parking permits; noted that the design had been agreed;</p> <p>Stone walling to park: noted that the work had been awarded to John Mee for £450 with a view to getting essential repairs completed before winter;</p> <p>Future priorities: resurfacing of the public footpath from the vehicle park to the church to be considered at next meeting; in the meantime the County Council were to be asked if they would be able to improve surface on basis it would encourage school use by parents/children.</p> <p>(3) Purchase of container unit: the Chair reported that the required green container unit was now available from LCS Containers within the budget previously approved for purchase (minute 21/09/8 (e) refers). The unit cost was £3450 (+ VAT); delivery £190 (+VAT). It was agreed to proceed with purchase of this unit as previously agreed, noting that the supplier would defer delivery until the ground works for the base were completed; it was agreed to seek completion of that as soon as possible.</p> <p>(4) Abandoned vehicles; it was noted that the Mercedes van had been reported to DDDC; it was agreed to ask DDDC to expedite this as it was on the potential site for the container unit. A white bus was now on the park; the owner had said that it would be moved by 6th November but that had not happened; it was agreed to commence the process for removal.</p> <p>m) Slinter Top Quarry and Dene Quarry: the report of Cllr Murphy in Public Speaking on the current status of the application, and on the potential process to be applied in the event of a request for extension of the current permission, was noted.</p> <p>n) Motocross site former White Low mine: there were no developments to report; noted.</p> <p>o) Website management: the Clerk reported that the transfer had not yet taken place and that there were still issues to be resolved in relation to hosting the new site. Noted.</p> <p>p) Highway weeds: the Chair reported on the outcome of a village walk with Leigh Johnson. One area of concern was the bandstand at the Cross which Leigh had maintained. Various control methods were proposed including heat gun treatment</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>All Cllrs</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Cllrs Grover/S. Smith/ Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
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16/11/9	<p>Finance:</p> <p>a) Monthly Payments received: £250.00 interment and EROB fee Jepsons re the late SG Webster; £1407.10 donor re cost of goalposts and installation; £100 memorial fee re the late E. Astbury</p> <p>b) Statement/ Annual Accounts: the statement for period 7 detailing income and expenditure to 31 October 2021 was approved.</p> <p>c) Park Mowing: it was agreed to renew the annual mowing contract with Roy Johnson Landscape Services for 2022/23 at the current payment rate.</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Online</td> <td>A Payne</td> <td>£738.16</td> <td>Salary/expenses</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Online</td> <td>P Spencer</td> <td>£185.07</td> <td>Salary/expenses</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Online</td> <td>M Biggin</td> <td>£128.46</td> <td>Salary/expenses</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Online</td> <td>R Allsopp</td> <td>£100.00</td> <td>WC cleaning</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Online</td> <td>HMRC</td> <td>£353.60</td> <td>PAYE month 8</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Online</td> <td>Roy Johnson Landscape Services</td> <td>£532.80</td> <td>Park mowing and goalpost installation</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Online</td> <td>SGP Garden Machinery</td> <td>£12.99</td> <td>Strimmer line</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Card</td> <td>Amazon</td> <td>£4.00</td> <td>Stationery (pens)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Card</td> <td>LCS Containers</td> <td>£4368.00</td> <td>Container unit (£3450) and delivery (£190) plus VAT</td> </tr> <tr> <td>DD</td> <td>Virgin Mobile</td> <td>£22.00</td> <td>Phone charges</td> </tr> <tr> <td>DD</td> <td>Zoom Video Communications inc</td> <td>£14.39</td> <td>Meeting hosting fee</td> </tr> <tr> <td>DD</td> <td>E.ON (The Park)</td> <td>£12.79</td> <td>Electricity</td> </tr> </table>	Online	A Payne	£738.16	Salary/expenses	Online	P Spencer	£185.07	Salary/expenses	Online	M Biggin	£128.46	Salary/expenses	Online	R Allsopp	£100.00	WC cleaning	Online	HMRC	£353.60	PAYE month 8	Online	Roy Johnson Landscape Services	£532.80	Park mowing and goalpost installation	Online	SGP Garden Machinery	£12.99	Strimmer line	Card	Amazon	£4.00	Stationery (pens)	Card	LCS Containers	£4368.00	Container unit (£3450) and delivery (£190) plus VAT	DD	Virgin Mobile	£22.00	Phone charges	DD	Zoom Video Communications inc	£14.39	Meeting hosting fee	DD	E.ON (The Park)	£12.79	Electricity	Clerk
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16/11/10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> T/21/00170/TCA: Burnside House The Dale: reduce 2no. Conifers (T1 + T2) by 4m in height, Reduce 2 no. Conifers by 5m in height (T4 + T5) and Reduce 1 no. Conifer (T3) by 6m; noted that this item had already been approved by the District Council prior to the meeting. 21/01216/FUL Land at Manor Farm Pounder Lane: formation of track for agricultural livestock (Part Retrospective); after viewing plans and discussion it was agreed to make no objection. 	Clerk																																																
16/11/11	Items for Information: DALC Circular 12-2021																																																	
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