

Bonsall Parish Council

**Minutes of the Bonsall Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 16th October 2018 at 7.30pm at
Bonsall Village Hall.**

Chair of the Council: Cllr Mark Harris

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Minute No	Item	Action
16/10/1	Present Cllrs Barry, Grover, Harris, and Pountain, District Cllr Pawley and Purdy, County Cllr Irene Ratcliffe and Mr T Payne (Clerk/RFO). Three members of the public.	
16/10/2	Apologies for Absence: apologies received from Cllrs Addis Hewitt Richardson and Watson.	
16/10/3	Variation to the Order of Business: None	
16/10/4	Declaration of Interests: None	
16/10/5	<p>Fracking: there was a full and lively discussion on the government's proposed changes to the system for considering applications for exploratory shale gas well pads and for gas production, and also on the perceived advantages and disadvantages of fracking itself. Cllr Ratcliffe made the point that one application for extraction had been refused by the County Council and that others were expected; see further item 16/10/8(b) below.</p> <p>Fallen tree at Ragcroft: a question was asked as to whose land this was on. The County Council had cut the tree section that was obstructing the path but the rest was in an adjacent garden. The view of the Parochial Church and Parish Councils was that it was the responsibility of the District Council who managed that part of the churchyard above. Cllr Pawley had already reported it on that basis.</p> <p>Flooding: the major problems affecting the village on 20th and 21st September were reviewed. The County Council were to undertake a formal flood investigation; see item 16/10/8(d). Cllr Ratcliffe said that this had been done in Wirksworth and Hlland Ward, and that funding may be able to help. District Councillors emphasised the importance of early involvement of local Council emergency planning services in future incidents, and also potentially the emergency services (fire brigade etc).</p> <p>Blakemere Pit: Cllr Purdy and Cllr Ratcliffe outlined the history of planning enforcement on this site, and advised that the Peak District National Park should be requested to intervene as soon as possible to prevent recurrence of any new unauthorised activities (see item 16/10/8(j)).</p>	
16/10/6	Minutes of the last meeting: The Chair signed the minutes of the meeting held on 18 th September 2018.	
16/10/7	Chair's Announcements: None.	
16/10/8	<p>VILLAGE MATTERS</p> <p>a) T'Owd Man: after discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council would support the campaign to restore the T'Owd Man to Bonsall and for the benefit of Bonsall, and to discourage commercial and other use of the image unconnected with its history.</p> <p>b) Fracking: after discussion it was agreed to inform Derbyshire County Council as part of the consultation process on this that it was the view of the Council that(1) that bringing fracking applications under the Nationally Significant</p>	Clerk

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	<p>Infrastructure Projects regime will be harmful to local communities; (2) that local authorities are best placed to continue to make decisions throughout the planning process for shale gas exploration drilling, appraisal and production; and (3) that moving decisions about fracking, which have huge implications for local communities, to a national level would contradict the principles of localism.</p>	Clerk
	<p>In relation to the proposal to declare Bonsall to be a Frack-Free Zone, it was agreed that before any further consideration of this could be given the views of the village should be requested (via Mutterings).</p>	Clerk
	<p>c) Churchyard:(1)Lime trees: it was noted that works were to be undertaken on the lime trees 25/26 October subject to the Conservation area consent being given by the District Council arboricultural officer;(2)Grant application: the application from the Parochial Church Council for grant of £500 towards the work was approved (subject to the consent being given).</p>	Clerk
	<p>3)Other tree problems: the arboricultural officer had advised on retention and remedial works of an ash tree affecting the boundary wall; the officer had pointed out decay in two other large ash trees in the closed churchyard. It was noted that the fallen tree on Ragcroft was considered to be a District Council responsibility and that the PCC would be requesting action on this.</p>	
	<p>(4)Responsibilities: the Clerk reported that the main outcome of the morning's meeting was that it was now expected that (subject to their own consultation processes) the PCC would serve statutory notice on the Parish Council in the next few weeks. This would be to formally transfer responsibility for maintenance to the Parish, and was intended to put arrangements onto a firm legal footing. The Parish Council would then have 3 months to decide whether to pass that responsibility on to the District Council. Noted.</p>	Clerk
	<p>(5)Extension: new plans which had prepared by the County Council landscape design team were viewed. The proposed layout, which would give approximately 50 new single plots, was welcomed. Costings for structural engineer and planning fees should be available for the next meeting. Noted.</p>	Clerk
	<p>d) Flooding and Storm water damage; Councillors detailed flood incidents throughout the village 20/21 September. The clerk reported that following discussions with the County Council flood management team a formal flood investigation was to be carried out by them. The County Council were encouraging those affected to complete flood report forms. Arrangements were made for distributing forms and agreed to publicize by Mutterings and website. Concern expressed that some flooding incidents resulted from sewerage system backing up and that this should be highlighted in reports and reported to Severn Trent. Agreed to report back to next meeting including on any emergency planning advice received</p>	Clerk
	<p>e) Twenty's Plenty signs: the Clerk reported a quote which was organised by Ken Clark from the village for twenty-four (twelve double) 450mm x 600mm signs with digitally printed graphics at £920, and an offer from Ken to fund this on behalf of the village. It was agreed to record the thanks of the Parish Council for this extremely generous offer. Cllr Grover said that Open Gardens had agreed to their grant for this being applied to general funds; noted with thanks.</p>	Clerk

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	<p>The school want to take up offers of help from the arts group on the project and a talk from Councillors on what is involved; agreed to be arranged after half term (Councillors Barry and Harris). In the meantime, Twenty's Plenty organisation to be contacted to confirm that no permissions needed. A request had been received for a sign at the far end of Church Street; agreed not proceed with this at this stage.</p> <p>f) Defibrillator: it was agreed to record thanks to Richard Taylor and to John and Lisa Howden of Raptor Grafix Ashbourne for the donation of direction signs for the defibrillators at the Fountain and Town Head; also agreed to ask Open Gardens for their funding to be applied to the general defibrillator fund which would give a balance of £929. Noted that arrangements in hand to complete the electrical connection at the Dale.</p> <p>g) WC transfer: it was agreed to approve the draft heads of terms for a tenancy at will of the WC facilities pending transfer of ownership, and that the Clerk be authorised to implement the new arrangements as soon as possible.</p> <p>h) Grit: it was agreed to again ask Sam Hopkinson and Pete Spencer to co-ordinate restocking of the Parish grit bins with a view to completing it by early November.</p> <p>i) Council tax consultation on empty homes: it was agreed to respond to the District Council consultation approving the proposal to allow charging the owners of long term (two years +) empty properties up to four times the amount of Council Tax as regular home owners on the basis that income from the empty homes premium would be used to fund activity to support bringing long term empty homes back into use.</p> <p>j) Blakemere pit: Councillors and the Clerk reported on complaints received about noise disturbance from off-road vehicles on the moor; vehicle and other activity at Blakemere pit, and vehicle and other activity at disused farm buildings off Moor Lane. Blakemere pit was subject to existing enforcement notices prohibiting unauthorised use. The Peak District National Park Authority had been asked to advise on the status of the Moor lane use; it was agreed to also request investigation in relation to the alleged activities at Blakemere pit and to express concern that any unauthorised activity on this site should not be allowed to recommence.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
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16/10/9	Finance: <p>a) Payments received: Memorial fee Percival’s re late D. Sheldon £100.00; Harvest Festival Auction for defibrillator fund £260.00.</p> <p>b) The monthly Statement for period 6 detailing income and expenditure to 05 October 2018, previously circulated to Councillors, was approved.</p> <p>c) Budget: The Council considered the budget position against income and expenditure to date as shown in the account statement for the month and the transactions agreed at the meeting. The Council assessed risk in relation to the Council’s financial standing and systems, and were satisfied that there were no issues presenting risk that required attention or further action at the present time.</p> <p>d) Accounts for payment the schedule (below) showing cheques /Online Payments/Direct Debits was approved for payment.</p> <p>e)</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="261 745 1382 1099"> <tr><td>Online</td><td>A Payne</td><td>£437.88</td><td>Salary/expenses</td></tr> <tr><td>Online</td><td>P Spencer</td><td>£115.13</td><td>Salary/expenses</td></tr> <tr><td>Online</td><td>M Biggin</td><td>£167.00</td><td>Salary/expenses</td></tr> <tr><td>Online</td><td>R Allsopp</td><td>£110.00</td><td>WC cleaning</td></tr> <tr><td>Online</td><td>Parochial Church Council</td><td>£500.00</td><td>Grant for tree works</td></tr> <tr><td>Online</td><td>Bonsall CE Primary School</td><td>£90.00</td><td>Knotweed treatment</td></tr> <tr><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td></tr> <tr><td>DD</td><td>E.ON (Park)</td><td>£9.23</td><td>Electricity</td></tr> </table>	Online	A Payne	£437.88	Salary/expenses	Online	P Spencer	£115.13	Salary/expenses	Online	M Biggin	£167.00	Salary/expenses	Online	R Allsopp	£110.00	WC cleaning	Online	Parochial Church Council	£500.00	Grant for tree works	Online	Bonsall CE Primary School	£90.00	Knotweed treatment					DD	E.ON (Park)	£9.23	Electricity	Clerk
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16/10/10	Planning: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Conversion of Farm Buildings Design Guidance Supplementary Planning Document 2018; it was agreed that there were no representations to be made. • 18/01074/FUL: Willow Cottage Clatterway Single and two storey extensions to dwelling; after discussion it was agreed to make no objection. • NP/DDD/0918/0867: Coach House Leys Lane Slaley: erection of a double garage; after discussion it was agreed to make no objection. • Memorial application Percival’s re the late David Sheldon: it was agreed to ratify the approval given by the Clerk after consultation with members for this memorial. 	Clerk Clerk																																
16/10/11	Items for Information: DALC Circulars: Circular 13/18																																	
16/10/12	Date of next meeting: Meeting of the Parish Council Tuesday 20thNovember 2018 at 7.30pm	Clerk																																

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