

BONSALL PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF BONSALL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF 21st FEBRUARY 2006
AT BONSALL VILLAGE HALL.

144/2006/FEBRUARY– PRESENT

Cllr Cruttenden (chair) Cllr Headon Patrick Dawson Amber Valley Community Transport
Cllr Lynch Anne Smith DCC Rural Transport
Mrs C Smith (clerk)

145/2006/ FEBRUARY– APOLOGIES.

Dist Cllr March Cllr Hind
Cllr Falconer Cllr Cartwright
County Cllr Ratcliffe Cllr Rowlands

146/2006/ FEBRUARY– APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

A copy of the minutes of the meeting of 17th January was signed as a true record of the meeting, and ratified by the Chairman.

147/2006/ FEBRUARY– DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

Cllrs, Lynch and Cruttenden declared an interest in item 8 Allotments on the agenda.
Cllrs, Lynch, and Cruttenden, in the presence of the Clerk, signed the Declaration of Interests record book.

148/FEBRUARY– FINANCE.

See separate sheet.

a. Current Financial Statement.

b. Approval and authorisation of work.

Churchyard.

No bill this month

Lenghtsman.

No bill this month

Handyman.

15hrs @ £5.15 £77.25

c. Authorisation and payment of cheques.

Mrs C Smith	£ 110.00
Mr L Johnson	£ 77.25
Dalc	£ 173.00
DCC – Grit Bins	£ 66.39
Powergen	<u>£ 19.31</u>
	<u>£ 445.95</u>

d. Allotments Expenditure

February	£ 700.00
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Total Expenses for this month: £1145.95

Jobs for the Handyman this month:

Litter picking

Noticeboards

Stone moving at Ragcroft

Clearing the bank at the Park

General work on the play area

Mr Biggin is to rebuild the wall at Ragcroft and Mr Johnson will assist him with the stone moving. All neighbours have been consulted about this work and no objections were raised.

Claire Taylor of the Mutterings editorial team has requested assistance from the PC for this year's Mutterings. £400 was allocated to this year's budget for this. It was agreed to pay the amount requested towards Mutterings. A member of the editorial team will attend the March meeting with further updates.

149/2006/FEBRUARY - COMMUNITY TRANSPORT

Patrick Dawson, Amber Valley Transport Chief Executive and Anne Hill DCC Rural Assess officer attended the meeting to discuss the rural transport scheme. Mr Dawson informed the PC of the areas that Amber Valley covers, south of the county and Eyam Community Transport covers the north of the county. Amber Valley works regularly with Bonsall School on outings. The service is open to any group of people who have difficulty accessing public transport or encounter isolation in the community.

- Annual membership costs £15 per group.
- The group use paid drivers and volunteers. Volunteer drivers are able to drive the buses for their group, this is encouraged. Amber Valley offer training to potential drivers, which is free of charge on a 3-4 day course. The drivers will attain a MiBAS national qualification. Amber Valley can also provide volunteer drivers if necessary.
- Dial – A – Ride is for wheelchair bound passengers and able-bodied passengers. This service is for hospital appointments and is individually booked.
- Dial – A – Ride is for people who are unable to access conventional transport. These two services are door to door.
- Charges are minimal, but if the person has a "Gold Card" they can use the transport free.
- Social and community car sharing scheme is also facilitated by Amber Valley. This cost is 45p per mile. This is used by people to access hospital/doctors appointments, the car owner will collect the person take them to their appointment, wait for them and then return the back home. (Drivers retain 30p). This funded through the National Lottery fund.
- Where there is a need for the above services Amber Valley aim to meet the need, and will set up a service.

Most of the buses will accommodate 15 people, but if wheelchair access is required two seats have to be remove, so this must be taken into consideration when booking.

The access to transport for the young people of the village can be facilitated by the PC. There are currently two buses available for use to the village, which are parked up at Millwards Garage at Wirksworth.

Anne Smith informed the PC that a questionnaire is available to the PC, which can be adjusted to personal specification, to seek the resident's thoughts and needs for this kind of service. There are also several funds, which can be accessed towards this kind of work. The Community Access Fund can be applied for immediately. Other funding available could be from Children In Need, Comic Relief etc.

It was felt that the PC should contact the youth leader at Wirksworth to look at what options are available, if the young people wish to be transported to the youth club.

Groups in the village that might use this service are:

- Mothers Union
- Pensioners Fund
- Church related outings
- Cinema Group

The service will be promoted through Mutterings and Bonsall website.

Anne Smith circulated information leaflet to the PC. Cllr Lynch will liaise with Anne Smith on the development of this project.

Cllr Cruttenden thanked Patrick and Anne for coming to the meeting.

150/2006/ FEBRUARY- REPORTS BACK FROM REPRESENTATIVES.

Cllr Lynch reported on behalf of Dist Cllr March who has sent in a report about the restoration of the Fountain. He has received the report from DDDC Conservation Officer who has detailed the work, would need to be done.

- Metal work and railings
- Step repairs
- Stonework sealing and mortar replacement
- Removal of moss
- Replacement of the copper plaque

Suggestions for the restoration of the water supply was not included in this report.

The Conservation Area Enhancement Grant Scheme may be available to us for this kind of work. Dist Cllr March is looking into this.

Cllr Cruttenden will make enquiries about getting quotes for this kind of work. It was suggested that the origins of the Fountain should be sought. An article in Mutterings will ask for any information that anyone has.

Cllr Cruttenden reported that he recently attended a Police consultation meeting and was told that the village community officer will take up their role shortly. The meeting also announced that Nottinghamshire, Derbyshire, Lincolnshire and Leicestershire forces are to merge together. This is in regard to the anti-terrorist policies, brought in by the government. This means for a rural community like Bonsall that funding for community policing in rural areas is being diverted to combat anti-terrorism.

There has been a recent spate of thefts from tradesmen's vehicles locally, and an article in Mutterings will be placed making people aware.

Cllr Cruttenden reported that the Church Street sign is being covered by ivy. This will be removed and a new sign is to be put up further down the lane.

The Flower Festival and Open Gardens weekend will be the 24th & 25th June. Money raised from this event will possibly go towards funding for planters around the village.

Welcome packs for new residents are required at Ember Lane.

There are still ongoing issues about Dobb Lane and Pounder Lane whether it is a bridleway or not. The Clerk will contact Phil Berry, DCC Footpaths officer to see if he is able to attend the meeting next month to clarify a variety of issues.

151/2006/ FEBRUARY- FRIENDS OF BONSCALL FRAMEWORK KNITTERS.

Nothing to report this month.

152/2006/ FEBRUARY- ALLOTMENTS.

The Allotments are progressing well, and water should be connected during the next week. The AGM for the Allotment Holders will take place on Tuesday 28th February. All the plots are let and a waiting list has two people waiting for a vacant plot.

153/2006/FEBRUARY- STEPPING LANE

The Clerk reported that Cllr Cartwright had spoken to Dave Quinn, of Bonsall Camp, and it was understood that Mrs Williams will be taking over the field. As this was only a verbal update, confirmation in writing is awaited before any action is taken on this matter.

154/2006/FEBRUARY-CORRESPONDENCE

See separate sheet.

A letter has been received from The Diocese of Derby, with regard to the PC taking over the lease of Kirk Meadow. Cllr Lynch undertook to follow this enquiry up.

155/2006/ FEBRUARY– MONTHLY REPORT FOR MUTTERINGS.

Items for this month's edition:

Community Transport
Open Gardens
Fountain
Parking on Church Street

156/2006/FEBRUARY– PLANNING.

Planning Applications received from Peak Park Planning & Derbyshire Dales District Council, for consideration by the Parish Council.

None received this month.

Planning application decisions by Peak Park Planning & Derbyshire Dales District Council.

Planning Application No: 06/00010/FUL- Mr & Mrs Webb, Greenwood Cottage, Uppertown, Bonsall. Two-storey rear extension.

Granted with conditions.

Planning Application 05/01047/FUL- Mr & Mrs Potter, Manor Farm, Bonsall. Change of use and conversion of outbuilding to dependent relative unit.

Granted with conditions.

Planning Application No: 05/01049/FUL-Mr Taylor, Puddle Hill Farm, Bonsall. Erection of agricultural building for silage storage.

Granted with conditions.

157/2006/ FEBRUARY– AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING.

Fountain Restoration
Mutterings
Footpaths
AGM/Parish meeting

NEXT MEETING – 21ST MARCH 2006

Meeting closed at 9.40pm.