

BONSALL PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF BONSALL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF 19th OCTOBER 2004 AT
BONSALL VILLAGE HALL.**

102/2004/OCTOBER – PRESENT.

Cllr Lynch
Cllr Rowlands (chair)
Cllr Headon
Cllr Falconer
Cllr Cruttenden
Cllr Frost
Dist Cllr March
Mrs Howard
Mr Day
Mrs Day
Mrs C Smith (clerk)

103/2004/OCTOBER – APOLOGIES.

Cllr Hind

104/2004/OCTOBER – APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

A copy of the minutes of the meeting of 21st September 2004 was signed as a true record of the meeting, and ratified by the Chairman.

105/2004/OCTOBER – DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

Cllr Falconer declared an interest in item 7 Website and item 12 Mutterings on the agenda.

Cllrs Cruttenden and Lynch declared an interest in item 8 Allotments and Football Pitch on the agenda.

Mrs Smith (clerk) declared an interest in item 4d Finance on the agenda.

Cllr Cartwright declared an interest in item 12 Mutterings on the agenda.

Cllrs Falconer, Cruttenden, Cartwright and Lynch, in the presence of the Clerk, signed the Declaration of Interests record book.

106/2004/OCTOBER – FINANCE.

a. Current Financial Statement.

Cllr Hind emailed the financial statement to everyone and a copy was presented to the Council.

b. Approval and authorisation of work.

Churchyard.

30 hours @ £5.00	£150.00
Pay increase back dated to April	<u>£ 27.00</u>
	<u>£177.00</u>

Lengtsman.

30 hours @ £5.00	£150.00
Expenses	£ 4.00
Pay increase back dated to April	<u>£ 22.50</u>
	<u>£176.50</u>

New rate is £5.15 an hour

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c. Authorisation and payment of cheques.

George Bunting	£176.50
Mike Biggin	£177.00
Mrs C Smith	£167.82
Salisbury & Wood	£ 44.61
Cllr Falconer	£ 10.56
13 Spiders Ltd	<u>£156.00</u>
	<u>£732.49</u>

d. Review of the Clerk's salary.

A 10% pay increase, back dated to April was resolved for the Clerk.
New rate is £110 per month.

Mrs C Smith	£107.82
Pay increase back dated to April	<u>£ 60.00</u>
	<u>£167.82</u>

Cllr Hind had recommended an increase in the amount received from DDDC towards the Churchyard maintenance, from £152 to £200, the Parish Council agreed and resolved this action.

107/2004/ OCTOBER - REPORTS BACK FROM REPRESENTATIVES.

Dist Cllr March and Cllr Cruttenden attended a meeting at Buxton about the Code of Conduct and reported that many incidents are now being dealt with back at local level.

Cllr Rowlands reported that the District Council had cleared the gully up Black Tor Road to Slaley, but the two gulleys above Slaley Hall are still filling up when it rains and must be blocked further down. Dist Cllr March will contact the District Council again.

Complaints have been received again from residents regarding the number of motorcycles through the village, particularly at the weekend, and riding at speeds unacceptable for the type of roads and conditions, endangering children and animals. The Clerk will write to the Midlands Motorcycle Club to express our concerns.

It has also been noted that some locals have been seen riding motorcycles without any helmets or safety equipment. This will be monitored and the Police will be informed as necessary.

Cllr Headon reported that he has done a survey on the headstones in the Churchyard, and he found that 63 Memorials were in an unsafe condition. Two Memorials were in a very unsafe and dangerous condition and were laid down.

A letter has been sent to Mr Sewry of the PCC, requesting that some action be taken to prevent injury or accident to a member of the public. It is also understood that Mr Sewry is trying to trace relatives of the deceased, but if there is to be some delay, as a precautionary measure it was thought that some more of the Memorials will have to be laid down.

The new storage chest has now been installed in the Churchyard, a bill is still being waited for.

Cllr Headon is still looking in to who is actually responsible for the Churchyard.

107/2004/OCTOBER – FRIENDS OF BONSALL FRAMEWORK KNITTERS.

At the meeting held on Tuesday 28th September, Barry Joyce the Conservation Officer attended and gave advice about similar situation and it was found to be useful. Discussions with the owners of the two sites are to take place.

108/2004/OCTOBER– WEBSITE.

Nothing to report this month.

109/2004/OCTOBER – ALLOTMENTS AND FOOTBALL PITCH.

A constitution and a bank account have been set up, and when the cheque book has been received from the bank, registration with the Allotment Association can take place. There has been no further news from Derby Diocese. Ball Eye quarry has been approached for available land, but nothing is available at the present time.

110/2004/OCTOBER– FOOTPATHS AND VOLUNTEER DAY.

The volunteer day on Saturday 16th October was not well supported due to the weather conditions, but some work was done, and the parish Council would like to see this day tried again next spring.

111/2004/OCTOBER – NOTICEBOARDS.

Cllr Frost has finally got a quote from Mr Pearson of £900 for all three boards we require, one double fronted and two single fronts, made in oak and to our specifications. It was suggested that we draw up a contract for a time scale of three months for the completion of the work, otherwise it would be cancelled. Cllr Frost agreed to do this.

112/2004/OCTOBER - WAR MEMORIALS.

The work has now been completed. Everyone was satisfied with the work and the bill will be paid on receipt. An auction at the Kings Head has taken place and a donation of £100 has been given to the War Memorial fund.

113/2004/OCTOBER – MUTTERINGS.

Items for this month's edition:

Parish Council vacancy.

Access to Church Street.

Comments on the Arts & Architecture Trail.

Six parishes have shown an interest in the village print facility and costings are to taken, but the facility may not be in Bonsall.

Mutterings budget for next year will be discussed at the next meeting.

114/2004/OCTOBER - CORRESPONDENCE.

There has been no further progress with the Insurance Company.

A letter received from Cllr P Slack about the community transport bus, was noted but Cllr Cartwright will contact Cllr Slack about the misleading times given.

A letter was received from three residents who attended the meeting, about the Art & Architecture Trail.

The residents brought to the attention of the Parish Council, the disturbance and invasion of their privacy that had been caused by the Trail.

Traffic and parking problems.

Complaints from the bus driver.

People looking into householders windows.

No prior warning of the events.

Noise and disruption.

Suggestions for improvements if the Trail went ahead again. Keeping parking to the lower end of the village and encourage people to walk around the venues.

Improved maps and a clearer notice outside the different properties taking part in the Trail.

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Better consultation with residents, whether they are involved or not. It was explained that the Trail had been a pilot and it had not been anticipated to be as well patronised as it was.

The trail was also rescued at the last minute and things were done in a rush in the end and people were probably not notified as they should have been.

The Parish council were aware of the parking and traffic problems, and would aim to rectify the situation.

It was agreed to put a piece in Mutterings to get an opinion from all villagers, as no one else had complained about the Trail. The Parish Council felt that they would like to hear anyone else's view.

A letter of resignation has been received from Cllr Frost, informing the Parish Council that she is stepping down at the December meeting. The Clerk will inform DDDC and organise posters and the necessary paperwork.

Dist Cllr March left the meeting at 9.05pm.

115/2004/OCTOBER – PLANNING.

PLANNING APPLICATION NO:NP/DDD/0504/0615 – Erection Of Temporary Wooden Store And Permanent Stone Built Store.

Mr P J Askew, 1 Hill Top Cottage, Slaley, Bonsall.
Granted.

PLANNING APPLICATION NO:PLS/SJG/G/4/Avii – Pruning Of An Ash Tree.

The Manor House, High Street, Bonsall.
No objections.

PLANNING APPLICATION NO:04/09/0837 – Engineering Operations To Include Formation Of Access And Garden Remodelling.

The Gables, 73 Church Street, Bonsall. Mr D Newman.
No objections.

PLANNING APPLICATION NO:NP/DDD/10041062 –Single Storey Extension To Dwelling.

The Beeches, Uppertown, Bonsall. Mr & Mrs Latham.
No objections.

Cllr Falconer declared that he was the next door neighbour to this property and did not have any comment on the application.

116/2004/OCTOBER – AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING.

Churchyard
Precept
Street lighting
Parish Council vacancy

NEXT MEETING – TUESDAY 16TH NOVEMBER 2004.

Meeting closed at 9.30pm.

