

BONSALL PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF BONSALL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF 18th MAY 2004 AT
BONSALL VILLAGE HALL.

7/2004MAY – PRESENT.

Cllr Cruttenden (chair)
Cllr Falconer
Cllr Cartwright
Cllr Headon
Cllr Hind
Cllr Frost
Dist Cllr March
Cllr Rowlands
County Cllr Read
Mrs C Smith (clerk)

8/2004/MAY – APOLOGIES.

Cllr Lynch

9/2004/MAY – MEMBERS ABSENCE.

It was resolved at the meeting that we would no longer minute members absence, for security reasons. The Clerk is aware of who is available, during each month and she is the point of contact for enquires.

10/2004/MAY – APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

An amended copy of the minutes of the meeting of 20th April was signed as a true record of the meeting, and ratified by the Chairman.

Amendments to the minutes of 20th April were:

173/2004/APRIL – FINANCE – b. Authorisation and payment of cheques: omission of cheque DALC £127.30

175/2004/APRIL – REPORTS BACK FROM REPRESENTATIVES – paragraph 2, should read, the village hall management group will discuss this with Eileen Tierney, and not Cllr Falconer.

175/2004/APRIL – REPORTS BACK FROM REPRESENTATIVES – paragraph 4, should read, sustainable, not stable.

11/2004/MAY – DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

Cllrs Falconer and Cartwright declared an interest in item 12 on the agenda – Mutterings.

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

12/2004/MAY APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES.

School Governors	Peter Greaves
School Foundation	Cllr Cruttenden & Dist Cllr March
Quarry Liaison	Cllr Cruttenden
Village Hall	Cllr Falconer & Dist Cllr March
Arts Trail	Cllr Cartwright
Churchyard	Cllr Cruttenden
Footpaths	Cllr Rowlands
Burials sub-committee	Cllr Headon & Cllr Frost

13/2004/MAY – FINANCE.

a. Current Financial Statement.

Cllr Hind circulated a financial report for the financial year 2003/4. See separate sheet for details. Cllr Hind reported that the Parish Council has a healthy bank balance of £10,000. Cllr Hind will contact the Internal Auditor, and prepare the final accounts.

It was felt that the Precept would have to increase next year, to cover rising costs.

Approval and authorisation of work.

Churchyard.

30 hours @ £5.00	£150.00
Strimming wire	<u>£ 3.50</u>
	<u>£153.50</u>

30 hours work @ £5 per hour were approved for next month.

Lenghtsman.

30 hours @ £5.00	£150.00
Petrol	<u>£ 17.00</u>
	<u>£167.00</u>

b. Authorisation and payment of cheques.

George Bunting	£153.50
Mike Biggin	£167.00
Mrs C Smith	£117.87
Powergen	£14.96
Allianz Cornhill Insurance	£304.81
DALC	<u>£45.00</u>
	<u>£803.14</u>

14/2004/MAY - REPORTS BACK FROM REPRESENTATIVES.

County Cllr Read reported that she had brought with her information on funding from Derbyshire County Council's Local Development Fund. Funding towards the Luncheon Club, Garden Club and possibly the Art Club was discussed. The fund closes on 30th June 2004 and the main rules for applying for funding are that you have a constitution and a bank account for your club. County Cllr Read is willing to help anyone fill in the forms, and find out any necessary information.

Cllr Cruttenden reported that he had just been on a trip to Denmark and was inspired by a "volunteer working party day for all the community", in which the community got together to clean up the village for a day, he suggested that perhaps Bonsall could be involved in such a project, this proposal was received well by all, and it was resolved that a day in October would be set for this and afterwards a picnic/bbq and music would be a reward for the workers.

15/2004/MAY – FRIENDS OF BONSALL FRAMEWORK KNITTERS.

Following County Cllr Read's information on funding the Framework Knitters may pursue this line of funding further. The Sustainable Fund has been applied for and a reply is being waited for, also the Lottery grant is being pursued.

16/2004/MAY – WEBSITE.

There has been no response from other groups wishing to advertise their events on the website. The website continues to have between 20 and 30 hits a day, with visitors from Sweden and the USA. The weather and BBC news is now being displayed. The website group are to hold another meeting soon.

17/2004/MAY – ALLOTMENTS AND FOOTBALL PITCH.

Cllr Cruttenden reported to the meeting some bad news about the possible purchase of Kirk Meadow from Derby Diocese, that the land will possibly be put up for auction and sold to the highest bidder. They are a charity and their aim is to make as much money as possible from land sales. This puts the Parish Council in a difficult position, as they would not probably be able to afford the land if it went to auction. There are still objections from some residents as to the access of the land. The Parish Council resolved to have to perhaps start to look elsewhere for land, although this could be difficult as no one came forward previously when an appeal for suitable land was asked for last year.

18/2004/MAY – ART & ARCHITECTURE TRAIL.

Cllr Cartwright reported that he has now got 10 signed agreements from those who had volunteered the use of their homes and gardens for the Art and Architecture trail in September. He has booked the village hall and the Parish rooms, and Dist Cllr March has offered space at his house. Wirksworth are pleased with Bonsall's work over the project. The Church is having an exhibition to feature the Church's architecture and the newly restored bell, and children's art; this will also help to promote Bonsall at prayer. Several local musicians are going to perform over the weekend and will use the village awnings.

Suitable sites are being looked at for the sculptures, and the large sculptures will be placed closer to the road.

On Friday 17th September the Film Club will show "A girl with a pearl earring" and then Bolehill will show it the next day.

The living sculpture for the village will have to be investigated after the Trail, as the original person who was probably going to do it is now unavailable.

19/2004/MAY – FOOTPATHS.

Complaints have been received from residents about the overgrown state of Dobb Lane/Pounder Lane, but it had been agreed to not cut back the vegetation until a decision had been made about motorbikes using the land.

A report had been made about there not being a sign on Pounder Lane. Cllr Cruttenden said he would enquire.

A fallen tree was reported on the limestone way walk at Uppertown, which was over the stile. It was thought that it was the landowner's responsibility and not the Parish Council, enquiries are to be made.

Another fallen tree was reported on the walk between Church Street and Clatterway, which is on Ball Eye quarry's land and the responsibility of the landowner, in this case the County Council are dealing with it.

G. Bunting and M. Biggin are dealing with the mud problem at Ragcroft.

20/2004/MAY – MUTTERINGS.

Items for this month's edition:

Volunteer working party day.

Awning hire.

Report on the waste questionnaire.

Calor village of the year.

History Archive days.

21/2004/MAY – BONSALL FIELD BARNES.

Liz Stoppard and Dist Cllr March are to meet with the Arkwright Society soon.

22/2004/MAY/WAR MEMORIALS.

Three quotes have now been received for the War Memorial:

1. Fairhaven - £2462.80 + VAT
2. Hurst - £5505 + VAT
3. Mowlem - £5463 + VAT

22/2004/May continued..

The Parish Council resolved to go for the Fairhaven quote and hopefully the work will commence during July and August.

Cllr Cruttenden has applied for some grant aid towards the restoration work.

An appeal will be made for families who have family members names on the memorial to come forward with donations towards the restoration.

23/2004/MAY – YOUTH PROJECTS.

County Cllr Read has passed to the Parish Council information on funding which is available for youth projects in the village. County Cllr Read also reported to us about a mobile bus, which has just been launched which will visit the villages and has a range of activities on board. Cllr Cruttenden will make further enquiries.

The skateboard park was discussed and the fact that there are a lot of surrounding areas with skate board facilities, Matlock shortly, Wirksworth and Whitworth park, Darley Dale, and the cost of insurance of having a park the Parish Council feel that we will defer the decision to build one in the village at the present time.

Workshops proposed for the summer are, pottery/arts, circus skills, film/cartoon making and sports training days. This is extra to the district council's summer activities programme.

24/2004/MAY - CORRESPONDENCE.

See separate sheet.

Dist Cllr March reported that the Matlock Bath Illumination was to reduce the number of weeks it is staged and that this will affect the volunteers who marshall the event who come from Bonsall.

Concern over the trees which are leaning over on the Via Gellia road, on the left hand side past Tufa Cottage. A letter will be sent to the Highways dept to see if they will come and inspect the area and do any necessary work required.

Cllr Cruttenden reported that the Church had asked if they could use the village awnings for the Flower Festival, free of charge and this was agreed.

Cllr Cartwright asked when Yeoman Street was due to be resurfaced, as this was a contributing factor towards the parking difficulties, and the traffic trying to avoid the potholes, having to travel in the centre of the road. A letter to the Highways dept will be sent.

A copy of the results of the questionnaire on the changes to the household waste collection is attached.

Cllr Frost asked if new noticeboards could be put up in the village. This was agreed and cost would be sort for replacements.

Dist Cllr March left the meeting at 9.10pm.

25/2004/MAY – PLANNING.

a. Application No: PLS/SJG/G/4/Avii – Felling of leylandii, on the boundary of 38 & 40 Yeoman Street, Bonsall. Mr & Mrs Makemson, The Gables, 43 Yeoman Street, Bonsall.

Passed.

b. Application No:NP/DDD/0304/0242 – Erection of conservatory - M. Gratton, Lilac Cottage, Bankside, Bonsall.

Passed.

c. Application No:04/04/0341 – Conservatory extension to front elevation – Mr & Mrs Hopkinson, 2 Bell Lane, Uppertown, Bonsall.

The Parish Council object to this application on the grounds that the design is not within keeping of the rest of the house and the surrounding properties.

Bonsall Village Design Statement, guideline 12, paragraph 1 states:

Building extensions should match the existing roof pitch and material construction.

New properties should complement the pitch and roof material in the locality.

The erection of this conservatory/porch should be built in stone and not brick base and a tiled slate roof not a plastic corrugated one.

d. Application NoNP/DDD/0504/537: – application for variation of planning condition No 8- NP/DDD/0800/345-additional vehicle movements associated with transportation of restoration landfill materials – Slinter Mining Co. Tearsall Quarry, Bonsall Moor.

Bonsall Parish Council supports the revised arrangements for the movement of landfill materials, and feel the quicker the restoration and closure of the quarry the better.

However we do have reservations about the number of lorry movements per day. Although the lorries should not come through Bonsall village the Parish Council would like to make the Authority aware again of the narrowness of Bonsall's road and their accessibility and the necessity to observe the speed limit through the village.

26/2004/MAY – AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING.

Same as for the April meeting.

NEXT MEETING – TUESDAY 15TH JUNE 2004.

Meeting closed at 9.40pm.