

CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 7 SEPTEMBER 2021

Meeting Held: Tuesday 7 September 2021
Held in the Annexe of the Town Hall, Chapel-en-le-Frith

Present: Councillor M Chantler in the Chair
Councillors M Barton, N Gourlay, N Hill, C Sizeland, Mrs S Walters and S Young.

In Attendance: Mrs S E Stockdale – Clerk to the Council
Sgt Harrison and PCSO Baker – Derbyshire Police

Apologies accepted: Councillor J Adshead

Apologies noted: None

Absent: Councillor A Beswick

There were five members of the public present at the meeting.

Prior to the start of the meeting the Chairman presented the 2021 Allotment prize for the Courses Allotment site to Mr & Mrs Clough.

22/199 Declarations of Interest

No declaration of interests were made.

22/200 Dispensations

Two dispensations have been granted to Councillor Sizeland.

22/201 Variation of Business

It was agreed that agenda item 14 be moved and taken after agenda item 5.

22/202 Police Matters

Sgt Harrison introduced himself and PCSO Baker who both have responsibility for the supervisions of the Safer Neighbourhood Teams.

There is no Police policy relating to attendance at Parish Council meetings other than the Safer Neighbourhood Team look to work with local partners of which the Parish Council will be one.

He confirmed that there are three shift patterns that the Police work in High Peak and there will be a minimum of five officers allocated to each shift with a maximum of eleven officers.

The Police confirmed that criminals do travel into the area to commit crime and there has been a recent Court case related to County Lines operating in High Peak.

Sgt Harrison indicated that the most effective way of engaging in a crime reduction strategy is for the PCSO's to work in partnership with the Council and look to add to and complement each other's responsibilities. The Police will attend meetings if invited and generally look for a multi-agency approach to work together for the benefit of the local community.

22/203 Public Participation

The Council received a presentation from Mr A Hearsum of the Old Town Rejuvenation Plan which he has produced.

22/204 Motion from Councillor Hill – That the Council supports a motion to explore the Chapel-en-le-Frith Old Town Rejuvenation Plan

RESOLVED: That the Council agreed to endorse the Plan which would need the support of Derbyshire County Council for its delivery and asked the County Councillor to take it forward.

22/205 Minutes of the Full Council meeting held 3 August 2021

Minutes numbered 22/139 to 22/165 were presented.

RESOLVED: That the Chairman be authorised to sign the Minutes as being a true and correct record.

22/206 Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting held on 25 August 2021

Minutes numbered 22/187 to 22/191 were presented.

RESOLVED: That the Chairman be authorised to sign the Minutes as being a true and correct record.

22/207 Matters arising from the minutes

Derbyshire County Council have confirmed that the gullies on the A6 in Dove Holes have been cleaned and jetted and are now running freely. The problems with the footpath cleaning have been passed onto High Peak Borough Council. Debris on the highway from HGV's needs to be reported to Derbyshire Police.

It was agreed that the information be posted on the Dove Holes Notice Board.

22/208 South Head Drive Play Area

The Chairman reported that the MP is arranging a meeting with High Peak Borough Council and the Developer Barratt Homes to discuss the issues relating the play area and public open space and that he had asked Councillor Sizeland to represent him at the meeting and report back.

22/209 Insurance update

Members were supplied with information from PIB Insurance Brokers following a meeting relating to queries with the current policy.

It was agreed that the Council will clean the paved area around the War Memorial prior to Remembrance Sunday.

It was agreed that the Council will make a formal complaint to AXA regarding cover relating to a recent claim.

ACTION: Park Manager to diary the cleaning of the paved area around the War Memorial

Clerk to write to AXA.

22/210 To agree a brief for SHIFT to undertake consultation work in Dove Holes.

The Chairman reported that a brief and costing for this work will be discussed at the October Council meeting.

ACTION: Clerk to add an agenda item to the October Full Council meeting.

22/211 Motion from Councillor Hill and Councillor Mrs Walters – That the Council provides funding towards a defibrillator to go in Chapel Memorial Park, situated on the side of the Bowling Club

It was reported that the funding for this project has now been secured and the Council will not be asked for a contribution.

It was suggested that the local Schools could be involved in promoting the safe use of defibrillators to pupils.

It was noted that there is now an external defibrillator at the Fit Factory on Long Lane, Chapel-en-le-Frith.

**22/212 Motion from Councillor Chantler - The public have a right to understand and have explained why agreed actions have not been implemented with a frank and transparent explanation including the delegated lead councillors responsible.
Therefore I propose that we set a system in place with immediate effect, which informs the full council, at each full Council meeting as a matter of course. On what agreed actions are still outstanding and**

yet to be completed and the reasons why. Including the lead councillors who are required to deliver on the actions.

RESOLVED: That the google spreadsheet of outstanding actions is presented to Full Council meetings and added to the Councils website and facebook page.

22/213 Motion from Councillor Barton - that the Council considers the entitlement for staff to join the Local Government Pension Scheme.

Councillor Barton addressed the motion as it is his view that Council Employees should have the entitlement to join the Derbyshire County Council Pension Scheme.

RESOLVED: That the Personnel Committee meet to discuss this and report back to the Full Council meeting.

ACTION: The Clerk to arrange a Personnel Committee meeting.

22/214 Motion from Councillor Barton - "That the council reviews the burial ground maintenance grants within the Parish to ensure they are equitable, have kept pace with price-inflation and that evidence is provided in the next financial year, 2022/23, that the grant is targeted specifically towards such maintenance and not directed elsewhere and will also recognise contributions made by third parties before agreeing a figure. Also, that any historic payments made, that are no longer applicable and incorporated into such grants, are removed immediately. And whilst no reclaim of a recent overpayment will be requested, an adjustment will be made next year to recognise such overpayment already made in this financial year, 2021/22."

RESOLVED: The Clerk to ask the Churches who receive the burial ground grant for an indication of the costs incurred in the upkeep of the areas to enable the grants to be reviewed when the budget is set in January 2022.

To advise that the Council would be open to looking at grant funding for historical interpretation boards if the Churches wanted to pursue such a project.

ACTION: The Clerk to write to the Churches in the Parish.

22/215 Schedule of Accounts presented for payment.

Cheques numbered 009204 to 009233 were presented amounting to £11,686.44.

RESOLVED: That the cheques be signed and the accounts to which they relate be paid.

22/216 PFK Littlejohn External Auditors Report and certificate 2020/21

PKF Littlejohn have completed the Councils annual governance and accountability review for the year ended 31 March 2021 and there are no matters affecting their opinion that they need to draw to the attention of the Council.

22/217 Bankline payment approval signatories

RESOLVED: That Councillors Hill and Young be added to Bankline as the authorised signatories to sign off electronic payments.

22/218 Correspondence

- Minutes of Chapel-en-le-Frith United Charities meeting
- Email to Councillor Beswick re litter
- Chapel Leisure Centre Fees 2021-22
- Peak Park Parishes Forum
- Email re signage on Combs Road
- Email re the live streaming of Parish Council meetings

RESOLVED: The Clerk to respond to the correspondence advising that litter picking equipment can be obtained from High Peak Borough Council. The Council has an aspiration to live stream meetings in the future, but any member of the public is able to this. To resolve the reduction in the payment to the Leisure Centre due to Covid.

ACTION: The Clerk to response to correspondence.

22/219 Any Other Business

None.

22/220 Press Releases

None.

22/221 To resolve to exclude the press and members of the public under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960

There were no matters to report in relation to the legal proceedings in the Memorial Park.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 21.00 hours.

CHAIRMAN

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