

CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held at 7pm on 10th December 2024 at Chapel-en-le-Frith Town Hall

Present: Cllrs J Adshead, M Chantler, T Dales (Chair), Mrs. M Drabble, M Drabble, A Foreshew-Cain, T Gilfillan, J Perkins, C Williams, S Young,

In Attendance: Ms. G Turner (Clerk). Mrs E Howe (Assistant Clerk),

25/290 Apologies: Were received and accepted from A Beswick who was unable to attend due to work commitments.

Cllrs J Bancroft and T Gouldburn were also absent from the meeting.

25/291 To make any Declarations of Interests

25/292 To consider any applications for Dispensations Nil

25/293 It was resolved under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 s1 to exclude members of the press and public to agenda item 14 on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

25/294 To agree any variations of order of business Nil

25/293 To consider co-option of any known candidate(s) for current Councillor Vacancies

The Clerk reported that she had received an application from a candidate who was eligible for co-opt to the Parish Council.

Councillor Dales proposed and Councillor Williams seconded that Mark Drabble should be co-opted as a Parish Councillor. All unanimously **agreed** and Mark Drabble was duly co-opted as a Parish Councillor.

It was further **resolved** that Councillor M Drabble will represent the Dove Holes and Martinside Ward.

25/294 Police matters Neither PCSO Karen Green nor PC Jake Schofield were able to attend the meeting.

Councillor Young stated that there had been an attempted break-in at a property in Frith View and an attempted shed break-in on Westbrook Close. Two vehicles were also stolen on Crossings Road.

It was **agreed** that the Clerk will ask PCSO Green whether there is any connection between the incidents.

25/295 Public Speaking There was one member of the public present at the meeting.

The member of the public stated that he hoped that the outcome from the recent hearing would not be discussed with members of the press and public excluded.

He went on to say that the Parish Council must on principal fight the case otherwise the MUGA, skatepark etc. are all under threat and there will be no point in having the memorial park.

Councillor Gilfillan acknowledged the points made and confirmed that following legal advice a statement would be published.

25/296 To approve minutes of previous meeting Councillor Adshead stated that the decision made in Minute 25/181(c) of the November minutes contravened paragraph 9(b) of the Parish Council's Standing Orders as a motion to raise the Bowling Club's annual rent by 11% had not received by the proper Officer at least 8 clear days before the meeting.

Having looked at the Standing Orders the Chair proposed and Councillor Gilfillan seconded to strike out minute 25/181(c) from the November minutes and a motion to increase the 2024/25 Bowling Club rent be placed on the January agenda.

25/297 Planning applications The following applications were considered:

- **HPK/2024/0444 – Hollin Knoll, Long Lane, Chapel-en-le-Frith** – Listed building consent for proposed change of use of outbuilding to ancillary accommodation. It was **resolved** to clarify with HPBC what the ancillary accommodation will be used for.
- **HPK/2024/0456 & HPK/2024/0468 – The Royal Oak, 11 Market Street, Chapel-en-le-Frith** – Erection of ancillary accommodation block and replacement fire escape to Southern gable elevation. It was **resolved** that the Parish Council has no objection to this application.

25/298 Planning appeals Nil.

25/299 Planning Decision Notices

- HPK/2024/0416 (Brook House Barn, Ridge Lane, Combs): Approved
- HPK/2024/0394 (3 Carriers Meadow, Chapel-En-Le-Frith): Approved
- HPK/2024/0329 (35 Horse Fair Avenue, Chapel-En-Le-Frith): Approved
- HPK/2024/0387 (Unit 4 Central Station Yard, Eccles Road, Chapel-En-Le-Frith): Approved
- HPK/2024/0371 (Valley House, Owlgreave Farm, Coombs Road, Chapel-En-Le-Frith): Approved
- HPK/2024/0368 (Harpur Cottage, Unnamed Road to the rear of the PVC factory in Whitehough): Denied

25/300 Finance It was **resolved** to:

- a. Approve the attached schedule of accounts for payment (totals £27,691.65).
- b. A detailed list of income and expenditure for the year to November 2024 was circulated to Members for information.

25/301 To note the outcome of last week's court-case

The Chair reported what had occurred during the hearing on 4th & 5th December. The current position is that the case has been adjourned and the Parish Council has 21 days from the date of adjournment to decide whether it wishes to make an application to the High Court on a point of law.

25/302 Date of next meeting It was resolved that this will be on Tuesday 7th January 2024.

FOLLOWING THE EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

25/303 To consider court-case matters.

Following discussion, a vote was taken on whether the Parish Council should lodge an Appeal to the High Court.

Those in favour of keeping the MUGA and submitting an appeal to the High Court were Councillors Adshead, Chantler, Dales, Mrs Drabble, M Drabble, Foreshew-Cain, Gilfillan, Perkins, Williams & Young.

Those against. None.

It was further **agreed** that Councillors Foreshew-Cain and Gilfillan will prepare a statement of fact relating to the court case for approval by the Parish Council's legal representatives prior to the publication to the public.

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 9.40pm.

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