

**Minutes of the Council Meeting of the Castle Gresley Parish Council**

**Held on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2019**

**Present**

Councillors Mrs J Pallett (Chair) and Councillors N Sellers (Vice-chair), T Dowd, B Greaves, Mrs S Jackson, Miss L Johnson, O Pallett, I Woods

**Also present**

Mrs S Lloyd (Clerk and RFO), County Councillor Pat Murray, District Councillors Dan Pegg and Melanie Bridgen

Public – Mr T Beginn, Ms B Lees, Ms C Morton, Mr R Bennett

**232/19 Apologies for absence**

County Councillor Pat Murray

**233/19 Declarations of Interest**

None

**234/19 Public Speaking**

(a) Public

Mr Beginn asked for the crime report (currently a separate attachment to the agenda given to councillors) to be added to the minutes, for visibility by the public. Clerk to add to September agenda for consideration by council.

Mr Miller reported that he had attended an event with the crime commissioner and was unhappy with the figures of additional police to be employed but not deployed in Castle Gresley.

Speed Awareness was also raised, and the clerk is to prepare a poster to go onto the website and noticeboards to ask for volunteers.

(b) Police

The crime report was distributed.

Councillor Mrs Jackson reported a car continually parking on the brow of the hill on Linton Road through to 101, as it causes a danger to traffic passing.

(c) County Councillor Report

Councillor Murray was not in attendance.

Pavements in Bass's Crescent and Appleby Glade have still not been repaired, clerk to email Councillor Murray.

(d) District Councillor Report

Councillor Pegg was advised by Councillor Mrs Pallett that there is continuous noise through the night, from Bison. Councillor Pegg advised he now has responsibility for housing and community and Councillor Mrs Bridgen has responsibility for planning. They will look at the planning conditions for Bison and contact them with a view to resolving the issue. Report at September meeting.

Graffiti of an offensive nature is being removed and re appearing at various locations in Castle Gresley.

Regarding police support and visibility, Councillor Pegg advised he will arrange a meeting with the Parish Council, Kate Bateman and the resident's group.

Councillor Pegg also stated that he could arrange for free 'Active Derbyshire' for an event for the resident's group at Rickman's Corner and he will contact the resident's group directly.

There is a tree which has died at the bottom of Appleby Glade, clerk has reported to SDDC, but it hasn't been removed. Councillor Pegg to chase.

**RESOLVED** that the reports be noted.

### **235/19 Minutes**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> June 2019 be approved as a true record and signed by the chair.

### **236/19 Exclusion of the Public**

None

### **237/19 Chairs Announcements**

The Chair reported that she has concerns over the Wilshee development due to the number of lorries which will be accessing the site.

### **238/19 Clerks report**

The tree inspection in White Lady has been completed by SDDC. Councillor O Pallett to get quotes for the works.

The planters have been sited and are being filled by Bloomin Gardens.

The VAT return for 2018/19 has been submitted to HMRC.

Minor Maintenance, the instruction to be on October's agenda for works to be completed in November.

White Lady paths were strimmed on 25.6.19.

The verges on the A444 should be strimmed as soon after 31/8/19 as possible, clerk to instruct Bloomin gardens.

The Post Office have informed the Parish Council that they are advertising the Castle Gresley branch for someone to run. It has not been decommissioned. Should the PO not get anyone to take over running it, there is a possibility of a van to visit once per week to offer services.

New defibrillator is now installed at the Pavilion on Mount Pleasant. Clerk to prepare posters for the notice boards and add to the homepage of the website.

The clerk will be on leave from 25<sup>th</sup> July, returning on 3<sup>rd</sup> September. Anything urgent should be directed to the Chair.

### **239/19 Items for Discussion/Decision**

- a) Consider publishing draft minutes in advance of the next meeting  
Council discussed this and voted not to publish the minutes in draft form in advance of the following meeting. Minutes will continue to be published following approval at the next meeting, in line with statutory guidance.
- b) Linton Road, 7.5 tonne weight limit  
Any issues should be reported directly to trading standards at <https://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/business/trading-standards/weight-resitrictions/weight-resitrictions.aspx>
- c) Grit bin application (see attached application form)  
Council considered the application, which does not meet the criteria set out in the PC policy. There is also already a grit bin maintained by DCC on Mount Pleasant. Clerk to inform the applicant.
- d) Update on container for Mount Pleasant recreation  
Cllr Sellers advised that half of the container would be used for storage and half for a community room, with water and electricity connected. Sports Community grants are possibly available to part fund this, through DCC. Chris Smith at SDDC to be contacted by the clerk, re safer neighbourhood funding.
- e) Picnic benches for White Lady consideration

Council approved 2 picnic benches in wood, one with disabled access. Clerk to get 3 quotes and email to council to choose. Contact Streetlife, Whitehill and Glasdon.

- f) Bison noise issues  
Covered in District Council report.
- g) Access for all to White Lady footpaths  
Council would like to enable access for all, currently there are stiles which prohibit access by mobility scooters. Clerk to investigate and take advise from Kate at the Forestry Centre and report at Septembers meeting.
- h) Wildflower planting consideration  
Council discussed the different planting and care of this and possible locations Clerk to investigate costs with Bloomin Gardens, based on planting on the A444 verges.

## **240/19 Finance**

- a) The following payments were approved

<b>Cheque</b>	<b>Recipient</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>VAT</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Item</b>
DD	Eon	18.00	2.00	£20.00	DD electric
DD	Waterplus	6.62	0.00	£6.62	Pavilion electricity
2995	Lifestyle Accounting	15.00	3.00	£18.00	Salary prep June
2996	Bloomin Gardens	90.00	18.00	£108.00	White Lady strimming
2997	Cardiac Science	1495.00	303.00	£1818.00	Defibrillator
2998	Payroll	645.43	6.00	651.43	Salary (Inc. 7 CiLCA hou
			INCOME		
		5.16	1.03	6.19	Mobile
		18.84	0.00	18.84	Stamps
		11.98	2.40	14.38	Business cards
				<b>£690.84</b>	
2999	Steph Lloyd	499.99	0.00	£499.00	Laptop, with Microsoft & Security, data transfer
3000	TD Electrics	110.00	22.00	£132.00	PIR in changing room & Install defib
3001	Lifestyle Accounting	15.00	3.00	£18.00	Salary prep July, no meeting in August
3002	Masseys			£13.98	Sadolin
3003	Bloomin Gardens			£342.00	Grounds maintenance

			<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£3666.44</b>	
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Payments in £0.00

b) The first quarter bank reconciliation was presented to the council as below; no questions were raised.

Opening balance	01/04/2019	62718
Receipts		14590
Payments		4936
Closing balance	30/06/2019	72372
Balance on bank statement	30/06/2019	74776
Unpresented receipts		0
Unpresented payments		2653
Cleared from 2018/19 accounts		249
Total funds available	30/06/2019	<b><u>72372</u></b>

Cleared from 2018/19

Chq 2970	180
Chq 2965	10
chq 2968	58.99
Total	248.99

c) The first quarter budget review was presented as below, no questions raised.

<b>Income</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actual to 30.06.19</b>
Precept	23369	14561
Grant	2876	0
Concurrent functions	7454	0
Minor Maintenance	315	0
Allotments rent	330	0
VAT (variable)	2500	0
Other	0	30
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£36844</b>	<b>£14591</b>

<b>Expenditure</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actual to 30.06.19</b>
Salaries	6500	1568

Chairs Allowance	200	200
Admin	2000	464
Elections	1000	0
Audits	600	168
Insurance	1200	0
DALC & training	2500	618
Sports mobile	1000	0
Utilities	700	199
Allotments	330	0
Pavilion	2100	0
Grounds maintenance	12000	1218
Variable Costs		
S137 donations	300	100
Village events	3000	70
VAT	3500	331
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>36930</b>	<b>4936</b>

It was agreed to move £1k from DALC & training to Pavilion and £2k from village events to Pavilion, to facilitate the purchase of the container on Mount Pleasant Recreation Ground.  
Budget now stands at DALC & training £1500, Village events £1000 and Pavilion £5100.

d) Review of current reserves

Reserves for 2019/20 were reviewed by the finance working party and suggested as below. This was agreed by full council at the meeting today.

**End of March 2019 £62k**

**£2,000 Defibrillator and installation (2019/20)**

**£1300 legal fees (held from SDDC) Date unknown**

**£11,600 6 months precept (held over each year)**

**£4,000 picnic tables and benches for White Lady Springs (2019/20/21)**

**£10,000 general reserve (to be held each year (£3,000 to be taken from this to the container purchase in budget 2019/20))**

**£500 grit bin refills (2019/20 only, to be in budget for 2020/21)**

**£5,000 bus shelter for Linton Road Date unknown**

**£12,000 clock for Linton Road shops (2020/21)**

**£1,000 allotment driveway top up (2021/22)**

**£5,000 for play equipment (awaiting the audit report from SDDC, June 2019)**

**£10,000 to furnish possible village hall (date tbc, this village hall is to be funded separately to the Parish Council)**

**241/19 Planning**

THE CONVERSION OF THE GARAGE INTO LIVING ACCOMMODATION AT  
9/2019/0511  
9 HOME FARM COURT CASTLE GRESLEY

No objections were raised.

**RESOLVED** that this be noted

**242/19 Correspondence**

Derbyshire Police Alert

Rural service bulletin

Derbyshire University

Thank you from West Leicestershire Ambulance service

Letter from allotment holder, clerk to respond

**243/19 Date and Time of Next meeting**

The next meeting will take place on Thursday, 12<sup>th</sup> September 2019, 7pm at the **Brick Room, Linton.**

