

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Castle Gresley Parish Council

Held on Thursday 13th January 2022

Present

Cllr Ms R Lees (Chair), Cllr Mrs S Jackson, Cllr I Woods, Cllr R Bennett, Cllr A Hepkin, Cllr Ms H Davies, Cllr N Barker, Cllr Neil Sellers

Also, present.

Mrs S Lloyd (Clerk and RFO), County Cllr S Swann
District Cllr D Pegg (via zoom)

103/21 Apologies for absence

District Cllr Mrs M Bridgen

104/21 Declarations of Interest

None

105/21 Clerk requested the addition of an item to the agenda. To review an application for a grit bin. It was **RESOLVED** to add this to the agenda tonight.

106/21 Public Speaking

a) County Council

Cllr Jackson raised the issue of the state of the pavements on Bass's Crescent. Photographs are needed to submit to DCC, Cllr Hepkin will send to clerk. Chair advised the road sweeper is also needed on the pavement here, clerk to contact SDDC clean team.

Chair advised the pond at Oak Close still needs attention, Greenbelt visited the site yesterday but did not clear the actual pond. Cllr Swann will chase with officers.

Cllr Swann reported as below:

DCC 'Do It Now' Reporting System: The online system for reporting highways issues has been updated allowing users to register an account, which saves them having to input their details each time they use it. This should particularly benefit frequent users such as Parish Clerks and local councillors.

Walton on Trent Bypass and Bridge: Further to my report last month in respect of the developer-led construction of the Walton bypass and new bridge, which remain integral to the SDDC planning permissions relating to the major housing developments at Drakelow, I have provided a detailed update to Walton on Trent Parish Council and the key points from it below may be of interest:

It is reiterated that as developer-led schemes the timescales are outside the control of Derbyshire County Council (DCC). That said, DCC is doing everything it can to assist the delivery of these projects.

It is anticipated that the construction period will be in the region of 15 months. Providing the developer submits and completes all the outstanding items in the next couple of months then DCC considers a start date of late summer to be realistic with completion in 2023.

Whilst the developer, Countryside Properties, continues to be confident of an early start on site, there remain significant outstanding elements of the design, legal agreements and traffic orders which are yet to be agreed.

DCC has stressed to the developer the need to engage with local communities at key stages before and during the work on the schemes and the requirement for clear and accurate information, not least in respect of start dates and timescales.

Deadline for Primary School Applications: Saturday 15 January

Foster Carers to be Rewarded for Referring a Friend

Following an internal recruitment process Pete Handford, DCC's current Director of Finance and ICT, will take up the temporary role of Executive Director for Corporate Services and Transformation (CST) from today (Monday, 10 January).

The Executive Director for CST post became vacant following the appointment of Emma Alexander to the role of Managing Director.

The interim arrangement will be for a maximum period of six months while a permanent Executive Director for CST is appointed.

Health and Wellbeing at the Touch of a Button: Derbyshire County Council is working with ORCHA (the Organisation for the Review of Care and Health Applications) to provide a health apps library for Derbyshire residents.

District Council

Cllr Pegg advised he has raised a complaint around current planning procedures, the lack of communications received from applicants and expressed concern over how applications are dealt with. He suggested a meeting should be arranged with the Parish Councils and Kevin Richards around the service received from SDDC.

b) Crimes from police.uk

November 2021 x 13.

Violence and Sexual Offences 5, Anti-social behaviour 3, criminal damage & arson 1, other crimes 4.

107/21 Minutes

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 9th December 2021 be approved as a true record and signed by the Chair.

108/21 Exclusion of the Public

No such items

109/21 Chairs Announcements

The groundsman is clearing plots 6 and 7 of the allotments ready for new tenants.

Areas of responsibility of councillors was discussed and chair will confirm changes on the document. It was **RESOLVED** that checks will be done on each area on a quarterly basis. Jan. April. July. Oct.

Chair also raised the issue with accessibility to technology for all councillors and costs for tablets will be considered at the next meeting (Cllr Barker to investigate). Chair also raised the council website and a Facebook page for the council. These issues to be discussed at the next meeting.

110/21 Clerks report

Dog poo bag dispensers. Clerk to purchase dog bags. Chair meeting groundsman to confirm sites.

Bank, should be online payments from Feb.

Arthur St missing bin, still not replaced, clerk to chase.

Groundsman, clearing allotment plots 6 & 7. Plots 2, 3, 4 clear.

Squashed recycling debris on Cedar Road, Oak Close, Linton Road, Bass's Crescent, Arthur Street, clerk to contact SDDC Clean Team.

Mount Pleasant Rec roadway, on hold whilst possible purchase from Taylor Wimpey considered.

Mount Pleasant Rec will be replaced, not completed clerk to chase AG at SDDC.
Defibrillators have arrived, one will be sited at the Mount Pleasant pub and one on A444 – clerk to contact Western Power to see if one can be sited at the substation.
Light out on No Entry sign at end of Bridge Street. F879609. Cllr Swann chasing.
26 Bridge Street, overhanging vegetation. Clerk to write to occupants to ask it to be taken back.

11121 Items for Discussion/Decision

a) Reports from Councillor walks

Refer to Chairs report, these will now be completed quarterly, next report April.

b) Review annual plan

This was deferred to February meeting.

b) Review Christmas lamp post lights and Christmas event for 2022, suggestions for Local Hero reward

Chair has prepared a poster to be displayed on noticeboards and Facebook. Report at next meeting.
Christmas lights and event to be reviewed at next meeting.

d) Road on Recreation ground update

Defer until discussion with Taylor Wimpey has taken place re possible purchase of land at the bottom of the recreation ground.

e) Consider Keep Britain Tidy Spring Litter Pick

It was **RESOLVED** an event should take place with refreshments at the end, most likely at the Mount Pleasant pub.

f) Consider quotes for White Lady tree works (attached)

The quotes received were considered. Three companies were asked to quote, two returned quotes.
Council **RESOLVED** to have the works completed by Eden Tree Care. Clerk to confirm.

g) Consider SDDC Service Complaint

Deferred to February.

h) Jubilee Event

It was **RESOLVED** an event should take place on Sunday 5th June 2022. Details to be confirmed at next meeting.

i) Consider foodbank appeal

This was considered and it was **RESOLVED** to make a donation of £250.00 and the clerk to ask CVS if there is something the council can do to support the foodbank on a regular basis, for example, collection points.

j) Update on allotments, vacancies, noticeboard

Chair is investigating a noticeboard, details to be confirmed at the next meeting.

k) Taylor Wimpey land

The letter from Taylor Wimpey was discussed, Council **RESOLVED** for the clerk to arrange an online meeting with them to discuss a possible purchase.

l) Grit bin application

Council considered this, and it was **RESOLVED** that as this does not meet the policy assessment criteria that a bin would not be installed at present. However, council instructed the clerk to offer the applicant the provision of 5 bags of grit for their own use at the site.

m) Matters for next meeting

Items from this agenda as above

111/21 Finance

a) The following payments were approved.

Eon	131	0	131	Electric for Pavilion & container
Waterplus	11.14	3.05	14.19	Wastewater from Mount Pleasant
Payroll	667.06	0	667.06	salary inc homeworking
HMRC	3.6	0	3.6	tax
Expenses	5.35	1.07	6.42	mobile
Expenses	11.49	0	11.49	stamps
Expenses	7.92	0	7.92	stamps
Air Ambulance	500	0	500	Donation s137
Plantscape	1643	328.6	1971.6	Christmas lights
R Lees	7.5	0	7.5	Reimburse decs Christmas event
Robannas Studios	400	80	480	PA System for Christmas Event
H Davies	12.5	0	12.5	Reimburse for Christmas event drinks
Expenses	168.70	0	168.70	Mobile for clerk
TOTAL			£3981.98	

b) 3rd quarter budget review and bank reconciliation, as below, was presented and approved by council, no questions raised.

Opening balance (01/10/21)	88378
Receipts (01/10/21-31/12/21)	906
Payments (01/10/21-31/12/21)	12213
Closing balance (31/12/21)	77071
Balance on bank (31/12/21)	77071
Unpresented receipts	0
Unpresented payments	
Total funds available (31/12/21)	77071

	Expected Income 2021-22	Actual income to date 2021-22	Forecast to year-end 2021-22
Income	£	£	£
Precept	25,309	25,309	25,309
Grant	2,876	2,876	2,876
Concurrent func	7,454	0	7,454
Minor Maintenance	315	300	300
Allotments rent	330	330	330
VAT (variable)	5,500	2,997	4,000

From reserves	36,000	36,000	36,000
Other		1,353	1,353
Total Income	77,784	69,165	77,622

Expenditure

	Budget	Actual to date	Forecast to yr. end
Salaries	8,800	6,086	8,088
Chairs allowance	200	200	200
Admin	2,000	639	800
Elections	1,000	0	0
Audits	400	325	325
Insurance	1,000	795	795
DALC, SLCC & training	1,000	785	785
Sports Mobile	1,000	0	0
Utilities	1,000	1,170	1,700
Allotments inc water	2,000	300	1,000
Container	5,000	4,288	5,500
Grounds maintenance	7,000	5,541	15,000
Grit bins maintenance	500	0	0
Other		4,099	4,099
S137 donations	1,000	300	1,000
Village events	3,500	387	900
VAT	10,000	2,487	3,500
Bus shelter	5,000	0	5,000
Driveway	27,500	0	0
	77,900	27,402	48,692

112/21 **Planning**

No new planning applications

113/21 **Correspondence**

DALC newsletter, CVS Foodbank Appeal, Brick Room ceiling, SDDC Area forum feedback, Savills re Taylor Wimpey

114/21 **Date and Time of next meeting**

The next meeting is due to take place at 7pm, on Thursday 10th February 2022, at the Brick Room, Linton.

