

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Castle Gresley Parish Council**  
**Held on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

**Present**

Cllr N Barker (Chair of this meeting), Cllr Mrs S Jackson, Cllr I Woods, Cllr N Sellers, Cllr Ms H Davies, Cllr A Hepkin

**Also present**

Mrs S Lloyd (Clerk and RFO), County Cllr S Swann

**70.22 Clerk requested an addition to the agenda “to consider a donation to the CVS”.**

Council granted the request.

**71.22 Apologies (noted)**

District Cllr Mrs M Bridgen, Cllr Ms R Lees (Chair)

**72.22 Declaration of Members Interests**

None

**73.22 Public Speaking**

No public were present

**74.22 County Council**

Cllr Swann provided his report as below:

I liaise regularly with the Parish Chair and Clerk, as well as residents, and actively address any issues as soon as they are brought to my attention, reporting back as appropriate. Oak Close Planning Appeal Decision. It was surprising to learn that this Appeal had been completed and even more so that it was conducted via written representations. Given the size and scale of the development; the departure from the property numbers for a Local Plan allocated site; the significant issues surrounding the vastly reduced S106 contributions; and the understandable local opposition to the plans, it would have been expected that this Appeal be considered via a full public hearing held at the Civic Offices in Swadlincote. This matter was openly discussed and Cllr Swann suggested the PC May wish to consider writing to SDDC Planning to ascertain why the meeting was not open to the public. It was agreed Cllr Barker will contact MP Heather Wheeler to discuss options.

Walton on Trent Bypass and Bridge Matters have not progressed further to my previous report on 8th September to the Parish Council.

The County Council is responsible for a wide range of public services including highways, adult care, children & young people's services, waste disposal, public health, trading standards, schools (non-academy), tourism, countryside, economic regeneration, and much more. The Linton Division is covered by no less than seven councillors from three wards of South Derbyshire District Council, which is responsible for planning, refuse collection, litter, and dog fouling.

County Council Motion: HGVs - Call to Ban Use of Car Sat Navs As reported to the Parish Council on 8th September, I gave notice of a motion to help combat the menace of HGVs using unsuitable local roads for the meeting of Derbyshire County Council. At my request, South Derbyshire's MP, Heather Wheeler, has already written to the Secretary of State for Transport in support of the measure.

Cllr Swann updated the council on messages from Action Fraud and Derbyshire Grants.

**75.22 District Council**

No member present.

## 76.22 Police

Crimes reported September. 1 assault, 1 traffic, 1 burglary, 2 harassment, 1 stalking.

## 77.22 Minutes

Council **RESOLVED** to approve as a correct record the minutes of the council meetings held on 8<sup>th</sup> September 2022

## 78.22 Items (with the public excluded)

No such items

## 79.22 Chairs announcements

The Oak Close housing plan was discussed again and it was agreed Cllr Barker or Cllr Lees will write to EMH to ask them to attend a council meeting to explain how they plan to complete the housing works.

## 80.22 Clerks report

Groundsman. Cut back hedge on rec. Install bleed kits. Remove cordyline and put spring bulbs in planters. Check underpass grass fortnightly, keep short.

Mount Pleasant Rec. SDDC still not replaced the bin. Email sent to F McArdle.

Defibrillators. Recall completed, reinstated.

Linton Road shops area. SDDC still not taken any action. Email sent to F McArdle.

Allotments. Rubbish cleared.

Bus shelters. O/s 17 Burton Road and opp. 112 Burton Road. SDDC will inspect and clean at minimum.

Linnet School overgrown hedge. Passed to DCC Highways to enforce cutting.

Cultivation licence (by Old Memorial), chased asked SS to chase.

Railway bridge vegetation. Reported to Network Rail.

Revised Local Plan received from SDDC.

## 81.22 Finance

a Payments were authorised as below

Recipient	Value	VAT	Total	Item
Eon	131	0	131	Electricity for Pavilion & container salary inc homeworking (Sept)less
Payroll (Clerk)	674.73	0	674.73	Tax&NI
Expenses (Clerk)	5.98	1.19	7.17	Mobile Sept
Expenses (clerk)	20.7	0	20.7	Envelopes & stamps
Expenses (Clerk)	8.32	1.67	9.99	Laminate wallets
HMRC	8.2	0	8.2	Income tax Sept
<b>Gallagher</b>	<b>810.19</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>810.19</b>	<b>Insurance</b>
<b>G P Removals</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>Waste removal from allotments</b>
<b>Neil Barker</b>	<b>458.32</b>	<b>91.67</b>	<b>549.99</b>	<b>Reimbursement for laptop</b>
<b>Neil Barker</b>	<b>34.99</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>34.99</b>	<b>Microsoft package for laptop</b>
SDDC	890	178	1068	Summer Holiday provision
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>£</b>	<b>3564.96</b>	

**Clerk** **£712.59**

b The 2nd quarter bank reconciliation and budget review was approved as below.

### **2nd quarter bank rec**

Opening balance (01/07/22)	78646
Receipts (01/07/22-30/09/22)	15669

Payments (01/07/22-30/09/22)	4641
Closing balance (30/09/22)	89674
Balance on bank (30/09/22)	89686
Unpresented receipts	0
Unpresented payments	0
<b>Total funds available (30/09/22)</b>	<b>89686</b>

### Budget Monitoring Outturn as at 30th September 2022

	Expected Income 2022-2023	Actual to date 2022-2023	Forecast to year-end 2022-2023
Incom e	£	£	£
Precept	25,309	25,309	25309
Grants	2,876	3,076	3076
Concurrent func	7,454	0	7454
Minor Maintenance	300	140	440
Allotments rent	660	608	668
VAT (variable)	10,000	2,941	2941
From reserves	36,000	36,000	36000
Other	400	50	50
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>82,999</b>	<b>68,124</b>	<b>75938</b>

### Expenditure

	Budget	Actual to date	Forecast to yr. end
Salaries	9,000	4,300	8,200
Chairs allowance	200	160	160
Admin	2,000	570	1,200
Elections	1,000	0	0
Audits	350	365	365
Insurance	1,000	811	811
DALC, SLCC & training	1,000	0	825
Sports Mobile	2,000	0	1600
Utilities	1,400	1051	2,500
Allotments inc water	7,000	561	800
Container	5,000	0	0
Grounds maintenance (nc. Memorial,WL)	10,000	4,329	9,000
Grit bins maintenance	500	0	150
S137 donations	1,000	500	1,000
Village events	10,000	1289	2,500
VAT	10,000	952	2,000

Other	0	620	620
SID	0	240	800
Road	40,000	0	0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>101,450</b>	<b>15,748</b>	<b>32,531</b>

## **82.22 Planning**

No new applications

It was noted the Oak Close housing application has been approved by SDDC

## **83.22 Outside meetings and training**

## **84.22 Correspondence**

The correspondence report was noted.

## **85.22 Items for Discussion/ Decision**

- a) Finalise Christmas events. Drum & Monkey and Castle Court  
It was **RESOLVED** to go ahead with the Christmas event at the Drum & Monkey, with a budget of up to £800. A Christmas songs and mince pies event was also approved for Castle Court Care home residents to be funded by the Council. Clerk to confirm events and produce poster for the Drum & Monkey.
- b) Confirm Christmas light locations  
Cllr Sellers to send a map to the clerk, confirming the locations, 30 lamp posts in all.
- c) SIDs update  
Clerk confirmed funding has been approved from PCCO and she is awaiting the licence from DCC before ordering the SIDS.
- d) Remembrance plan  
It was **RESOLVED** councillors will attend the church and act of remembrance at the Memorial on 13<sup>th</sup> November. Notice to be shared around the village. Clerk to email notice to the councillors and share on Facebook.
- e) Mount Pleasant Recreation ground play equipment update  
Cllr Bridgen is liaising on behalf of the Parish Council with SDDC. Other local Parish Councils are experiencing the same issue. Clerk to speak with DALC for advice. Council asked the clerk to advice the groundsman to cut the hedge on the rec with the tractor to the bottom, by the play equip and to level off the top of the hedge too. Once the invoice is received, clerk to forward to Taylor Wimpey for payment.
- f) Review 2022-23 Action plan for 2023-2024  
Council reviewed the action plan and **RESOLVED** to keep to the same plan for 2023-2024.
- g) Consider 2023-24 Budget for Precept request  
Council **RESOLVED** to accept the budget proposed by Cllr Jackson and the clerk. Precept to remain the same.
- h) Change of November meeting date to 17<sup>th</sup>  
Council **RESOLVED** to have the November meeting on 17<sup>th</sup>.
- i) Postcards for defibs and bleed kits  
It was **RESOLVED** the chair and clerk to meet to put these together. Cllr Sellers suggested a link to the St Johns Ambulance with "how to use" a defib on too. Council also requested clerk to get a cost for the cards to be printed and delivered.
- j) Future maintenance for White Lady's  
Council discussed this matter and it was **RESOLVED** that an annual tree survey and recommended maintenance must be kept. Mr P Thorley will maintain the hedge to the side of the main path and keep the stream running free. It was also **RESOLVED** to increase the annual payment to Mr Thorley to £200 from the next payment in March 2023.

k) Donation to CVS Foodbank

Council **RESOLVED** to make a donation of £250. Clerk to arrange.

l) Items for next meetings. Parish Warden. Maintenance of White Lady's

**85.22 Items for information only**

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2022, 7pm**, at the **Brick Room, Linton**