

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN TICKNALL VILLAGE HALL ON 5th NOVEMBER 2024

Present: Councillors Oppenheimer (Chair), Scott, Colleyshaw, Bentley

Staff and Public in attendance: District Councillor Haines, District Councillor Lowe, 1 member of the public and Celia Bunston (Clerk).

3065/2024 Apologies: Councillors Woodhead and Thornhill.

3066/2024 Declaration of Members Interests: There were no declarations of interests.

3067/2024 To receive and approve requests for dispensations from members on matters in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest. No requests were received.

3068/2024 Public Speaking:

District Councillor Lowe and County Councillor Muller sent their apologies.

- 1) District Councillor Haines reported:
 - a) The next Flood Liaison meeting will be held on 21st November.
 - b) The government has decided that food waste should be recycled separately, so SDDC are looking into how this can be done.
 - c) The benches on Chapel Street should be repaired in the next two weeks.
 - d) The Wheel Inn progress is ongoing.

- 2) District Councillor Lowe reported:
 - a) The Local Plan review part 1 is now out for consultation. It can be inspected in the Melbourne Assembly Rooms on 14th November, or it can be viewed online.
 - b) The new Head of Housing, is now in place.
 - c) The Area Forum meeting will be held in Newton Solney village hall on 21st January 2025.
 - d) Gulley cleaning is in hand.

3069/2024 To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting held on 17th September, 2024.

RESOLVED: To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 17th September, 2024.

3070/2024 Clerk's Report:

- a) Commemorative seats at The Green and Market Place. Grant from Ticknall Preservation & Historical Society.
The Parish Council has received a £500 grant to restore the two seats commemorating those local men who lost their lives in two world wars. Councillor Colleyshaw reported that the seat on The Green is beyond repair and needs to be replaced. He doubts whether the position on The Green is the right place for a replacement seat. He suggested that a replacement seat can be purchased, the commemorative plaque attached to it and place it in front of the church. He will talk to the residents of The Green and the PCC about the possibility of changing where the seat is placed.
- b) Hartshorne Parish Council – SID agreement.
The Parish Council wrote to Hartshorne Parish Council agreeing to its suggestion of cooperation and costs to share the SID on Main Street. No confirmation has been received, but the SID has been taken to Hartshorne. We are confirming the date of removal as 1st November 2024. In the agreement the SID should be returned to Ticknall for a 3 month stay until 31st January 2025.
- c) Dog Bin on Ingleby Lane - The dog bin is on order.
- d) Bus shelter on Main Street - The shelter has been repaired.
- e) Replacement bin outside of the old Village Store building - The bin is now in place
- f) Environmental Group.
The group has received interest from two local residents. A meeting of the group has been arranged for 30th January.
- g) Local Government Services Pay Agreement 2024/25 – Noted.
- h) Christmas tree – The Clerk will put in an order to Ferndale Garden Maintenance.

i) Section 136 – Concurrent Expenses Claim 2024 – 2025. The claim has been sent to SDDC.

3071/2024 Approval of Financial Risk Assessment – 2024-2025.

It was proposed by Councillor Bentley and seconded by Councillor Oppenheimer, and agreed by all to approve the Risk Assessment.

RESOLVED: To approve the document.

3072/2024 Lease of The Grange.

The lease runs out on 25th March 2025. The Parish Council has asked District Councillor Haines to contact Chris Worman to establish any progress on the matter.

RESOLVED: To instruct District Councillor Haines to establish any progress.

3073/2024 The Grange Recreation Ground & Pavilion – Report from Councillor Colleyshaw on the condition of The Grange and Pavilion.

Councillors Oppenheimer, Colleyshaw, Bentley and the Clerk inspected The Grange and pavilion to ascertain what work on the boundary hedges, trees, and the pavilion was needed. The church wall, and the gate post into The Grange needs some attention. The Parish Council will inform the PCC of these items. A quote to cut hedges, repair fencing, and tree works has been received from TH Heath Contracts. Councillor Colleyshaw proposed, was seconded by Councillor Scott, and agreed by all to accept the quote. Councillor Colleyshaw asked the Clerk to write to the neighbouring properties to advise them that the Parish Council will be undertaking the work on their property boundaries.

Work needs to be done in the pavilion, including work to improve the condition of the shower rooms.

RESOLVED: To approve the quote and to start the work on The Grange. To write to the neighbours to advise about the intended work.

3075/2024 Review Budget 2025-2026

It was agreed to add £500 to the budget to commemorate the 80th Anniversaries of VE and VJ Day. The budget will be placed on the agenda for the meeting on 21st January for final confirmation of budget and Precept.

RESOLVED: To add £500 for the anniversaries of VE and VJ Day, and to put the budget onto the agenda for the meeting on 21st January to finalise it and the Precept for 2025-2026.

3076/2024 Speed Watch.

The speed watch group has been busy over the summer, averaging 2 sessions per week. The Police are sending out an average of 10-15 letters per session to speeding drivers. This is hopefully educating them with respect to speeding through our village and its dangers.

We have suspended our activity for the winter months because of the danger to the volunteers with wet and icy conditions on our roads, as well as the inclement weather ahead. We will resume in the spring after another recruitment drive.

Councillor Scott must again send his grateful thanks to the trusty band of volunteers who have supported the scheme this past 6 months.

RESOLVED: The Parish Council expressed its thanks to Councillor Scott for all his efforts to get the speed watch up and running and to achieve results.

3077/2024 The Wheel Inn.

There has been no further progress from SDDC on the Wheel Inn. The Parish Council asked District Councillor Haines to establish what progress, if any has been made.

RESOLVED: To ask District Councillor Haines to see if any progress has been made.

3078/2024 – Drainage.

Following the last meeting photographs have been taken of all the drains from Beightons Hill to the shop. We have been told by DCC that each drain has to be reported individually. District Councillor Haines has reported each one, but the Parish Council is of the opinion that the drains should be sucked out altogether throughout the village, not individually. We will keep the pressure on for the authorities to do this.

Work has been done on the culvert at the dip at the bottom of Main Street.

3079/2024 Planning Matters

a) Planning Applications

DMOT/2024/1203 - Approval of details required by condition 3 (bat mitigation strategy) of permission ref. DMPA/2024/0063 for installation of solar panels on brewery roof Unit 1, Southwood House Farm, Staunton Lane, Calke, Ashby De La Zouch.

DMOT/2024/1208 - The pruning of an oak tree at Saint Georges Churchyard, Church Lane, Ticknall.

DMPA/2024/1101 – 8 Grange Close, Ticknall.

RESOLVED: No comments on the above applications.

b) Planning Decisions:

DMOT/2024/1208 – The pruning of a field maple tree at St. George's Churchyard, Church Lane, Ticknall. No Objections.

DMPA/2024/1101 – The erection of extensions, raising the roof height to create additional living space, creation of a balcony and installation of dormer windows at 8 Grange Close, Ticknall. Approved subject to 4 conditions.

DMOT/2024/1120 – The felling of the cedar tree at Lawn Cottage, 20 Ashby Road, Ticknall. No objections.

DMOT/2024/1075 – The pruning of trees at 26 High Street, Ticknall. No objections.

DMOT/2024/1050 – Approval of details required by condition 3 of permission ref: DMPA/2023/1124 (The erection of a two-storey side and rear extension, single storey rear extension and single storey carport) at 179 Main Street, Ticknall. Approved.

DMPA/2024/1616 – The conversion of existing garage to form ancillary accommodation at 36 Main Street, Ticknall. Approved subject to 3 conditions.

DMPN/2024/94 – Plan to change of use from camp site to wedding venue on land on Ingleby Lane, Ticknall. Withdrawn.

RESOLVED: To note the planning decisions.

3080/2024 Finance

a) Receipts since last meeting to 30th September 2024

Ticknall Preservation & Historical Society – Donation for seats £500.00

b) Payments since last meeting to 30th September 2024

H. Brandon – Cleaning pavilion September	£45.00 BACS
Zurich Municipal – Insurance cover for 2025-2025	£1325.90 BACS
Adobe – Monthly contract for September £16.64, £3.33 VAT	£19.97 VISA
H. Brandon – Cleaning pavilion September	£45.00 BACS
C Bunston – Net pay for September	£346.50 BACS
C Bunston – Use of Clerk's home for September	£30.00 BACS
Currys – Computer insurance for September	£9.00 VISA
HSBC – Bank Charges for September	£8.00
HP – Ink Account HP – September £9.99, £2.00 VAT	£11.99 VISA
WH Smith – Postage stamps	£20.40 VISA

c) Balance of Accounts at 30th September 2024

HSBC Current Account	£16936.99
HSBC Money Manager Account	£12569.78
HSBC Reserve Account	£10314.55

TOTAL**£39821.32**

- d) Approval of Accounts against budget – 2nd quarter to 30th September 2024.
 e) **RESOLVED:** It was proposed by Councillor Bentley, seconded by Councillor Scott and all agreed to approve of the Accounts against Budget.

f) Receipts from 1st October 2024

HSBC – Bank Interest – October – Money Manager Account	£20.04
HSBC – Bank Interest – October – Reserve Account	£16.45

g) Payments from 1st October 2024

HSBC – Bank charges for September	£8.00
Ticknall Village Hall - 3 rd payment	£1500.00 BACS
Currys – Monthly cover plan for October	£9.00 DD
Adobe – Monthly cover for October £16.64, £3.33 VAT	£19.97 VISA
H. Brandon – Clean pavilion – October	£45.00 BACS
SDDC – Waste Collection – The Grange	£455.00 BACS
County Drains – empty septic tank £254.08, £40.00 VAT	£294.08 BACS
H. Brandon – Clean pavilion – October	£15.00 BACS
S. Buxton – Rose Garden maintenance	£100.00 BACS
C. Bunston - Clerk's back pay to 1 st April 2024 £ 80.58, Plus, Clerk's Salary – October £360.14	£440.72 BACS
C. Bunston – Use of Clerk's home as office for October	£30.00 BACS
HSBC – Babk Charges for October	£8.00
HP – Ink Account for October £9.99, £2.00 VAT	£11.99 VISA
C.J. Lewis Printers – Newsletter	£89.00 BACS

h) Balance of Accounts at 29th October 2024

HSBC Current Account	£13912.23
HSBC Money Manager Account	£12589.82
HSBC Reserve Account	£10331.00
TOTAL	£36833.05

i) Payments for approval:

Ticknall22 WI – Donation towards costs of Poppy Project	£75.00 BACS
Heath Pest Control – Pest control 01/11/24 to 31/01/25 £167.50, £33.50 VAT	£201.00 BACS
H. Brandon – Cleaning pavilion	£30.00 BACS

RESOLVED: To approve the payments.

j) Internal Audit - Checking of bank statement against invoices:

RESOLVED: Councillors Colleyshaw and Bentley checked and signed the bank statement against invoices.**3081/2024 Correspondence:**

- a) Derbyshire County Council Plan 2025-29 – consultation available to 3rd November 2024.
 b) South Derbyshire District Council – Annual canvass exercise in South Derbyshire for Register of Electors.
 c) South Derbyshire District Council - Free tree scheme.
 T www.southderbyshire.gov.uk/freetreescheme
 d) SDDC – Green Spaces Strategy
 e) SDDC – Draft Local Plan

Correspondence Noted.

3082/2024 Derbyshire Association of Local Councils: October Newsletter

3083/2024 Reports to Note: No reports.

3084/2024 Reports from representatives to outside bodies and special duties:

Community Orchard: Councillor Colleyshaw reported that the orchard is doing well, but two trees have failed and will be replaced. Some attention is needed to secure the post supports.

It was noted that the Poppy Displays in the churchyard, the Ticknall taps and the lamp posts look very good and are a fitting tribute to all those who lost their lives in two world wars and other conflicts.

3085/2024 Date and time of next meeting. Tuesday 17TH December 2024 at 7.30pm.

THE PRESS AND PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.