

**MINUTES OF THE HOLBROOK PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON  
WEDNESDAY 25<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2017 AT 7.15 p.m. AT THE 'ARKWRIGHT' PARISH  
HALL, MOORSIDE LANE, HOLBROOK**

**PRESENT:-** Councillors Massey (Chairman)  
Bradshaw  
Mrs Briggs  
Roberts  
Rhodes  
Mrs H Owen (Clerk)  
One member of the public

**2017/01/1 APOLOGIES**

Cllr Bull, Cllr Kennedy, Cllr Kevin Buttery, Cllr Trevor Ainsworth (AVBC) and PC Cole.

**2017/01/2 DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS INTERESTS**

Cllr Massey declared an interest in Agenda item 13a Cheque for HAHVCC

Cllr Bradshaw and Cllr Roberts declared an interest in Agenda item 7h Spotted Cow

**2017/01/3 PUBLIC SPEAKING:-**

Nicky Fenton the new Parish vicar attended the Parish Council meeting to introduce herself to the Councillors and informed the Council she is keen to have a presence in the community.

Cllr Bradshaw updated the Parish Council on the Spotted Cow fundraising. £157k has been invested by 173 investors. The group have launched a crowdfunder which will run until 21/02/2017. There are already builders interested in being involved with the project.

Cllr Roberts reported that the Derby City Council bin by the Fox and Hounds has still not been emptied. The Clerk is to report the matter and Cllr Roberts is to report the issue to Cllr Kevin Buttery.

The Clerk has received updates from the Neighbourhood Watch team and informed the Council that the Parish Council will no longer have visits to meetings unless there is an important matter to discuss.

**2017/01/4 MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING WEDNESDAY 30<sup>TH</sup>  
NOVEMBER 2016.** The minutes were proposed as correct by Cllr Rhodes,  
seconded by Cllr Roberts and all unanimously agreed.

## **2017/01/5 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and informed the Council that Cllr Kath Gruber has resigned due to other commitments, It was unanimously agreed to write to Mrs Gruber and thank her for all her hard work for the Council.

With Regret the Chairman announced that Edna Hunt, the wife of former Councillor Ken Hunt, has passed away. The Council has sent a condolence card to the family.

## **2017/01/06 Casual Vacancies and Co-Option of new Councillors**

Holbrook Parish Council now has 3 vacancies on the Council. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk would advertise the vacancies around the parish, on Facebook and on the website. The Clerk will contact any interested parties with information of the process of co-option.

## **2016/01/7 CLERK'S REPORT**

### **(a) Mellors Lane Park**

The work to replace the wooden stumps has taken place and the stumps are being placed at Mellors Lane Park.

### **(b) Potterell Charity**

Cllr Massey reported all was well.

### **(c) Footpaths, hedges and verges.**

The Clerk reported that DCC are due to begin the work to clear the ditch at Stoney lane.

DCC have informed the Clerk it will be the landowner who is responsible to make good the damage made on Stoney Lane following the accident in November. The Clerk has received no further update.

The footpath in Coxbench requires attention from the Parish Warden as it is very slippery. The Clerk will liaise with the Warden and ensure the path is looked at as a priority.

**Action-The Clerk**

### **(d) Social Media**

The Facebook page has continued to receive more likes and a member of the parish has contacted the clerk through the page.

### **(e) Parish Warden**

Stephen Beardmore has been appointed Parish Warden and began work on 9/1/2017.

The Clerk has already received messages to say what a great job he is doing around the parish.

**(f) Adoption of Phone Box**

It was proposed to contact BT to see if Holbrook Parish Council could adopt the Phone Box on Town Street, This was proposed by Councillor Roberts, Seconded by Cllr Bradshaw and all voted in favour.

**(g) Grit Bin for Shaw Lane**

It was RESOLVED to purchase a new grit bin for Shaw Lane following the removal of a damaged bin last year. The Clerk will purchase a 60 litre yellow bin.

**Action-The Clerk.**

It was RESOLVED to reposition the Grit Bin on Stoney Lane back to its original location.

**Action-Cllr Rhodes and Cllr Massey**

**(h) Spotted Cow**

Cllr Roberts and Cllr Bradshaw declared an interest in the Spotted Cow and took no part in the discussion but remained in the meeting. The Clerk has received an email informing the Council about the Crowd funding that has been set up and to see if the Council could contribute to the fundraising. It was RESOLVED that at this time the Parish Council reaffirms its wish that the Spotted Cow remains a working pub, but it feels it is inappropriate to be involved with organisations or businesses whilst its future is being decided.

**2017/01/8 Neighbourhood Plan Update- next step in the process, open day plans and information of Rural Action Derbyshire services**

It was RESOLVED that the Parish Council will hold an Open Day event at the Parish Hall on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2017. All groups, societies, clubs and businesses from the Parish will be personally invited to have a stall to promote the work and activities of their group. It was agreed to have refreshments available. A flyer is going to be drafted by the Chairman and Clerk and then circulated around the Parish. At this event the Parish Council Stall will have information about the Neighbourhood Plan and use this as an opportunity to inform members of the parish and encourage involvement. It was agreed that the next step in the process is to generate interest in taking part in the Neighbourhood plan.

The Clerk has circulated copies of the revised Parish Council Policies to all Councillors and these were proposed to be adopted by Cllr Bradshaw, this was seconded by Cllr Mrs Briggs and all voted in favour. The Policies will be reviewed, revised where necessary and readopted in January 2018.

### **2017/01/10 Future of Assets of Community Value in Holbrook-Places and Spaces**

The Chairman, Cllr Mrs Briggs, Cllr Roberts and the Clerk met to discuss the applications for Assets of Community Value further to the November meeting where a number of sites were identified as ACV's. After studying the criteria it was decided that Coxbench Wood, Holbrook Conservation area and the Gaslight Gallery were not suitable to register. It was proposed by Cllr Massey to register the following areas, Gorsey Piece, Mellors Lane Park, The Dead Poets Pub, Damsons Allotments and Belper Road Allotments. This was seconded by Cllr Roberts and all voted in favour. The Clerk will submit the documents to AVBC along with maps of the Parish.

The Chairman provided the Clerk with A3 maps of the Parish which the clerk is going to scan in and email to the Councillors.

#### **Action-The Clerk**

### **2017/01/11 2017 Village Fete confirmation of date and approval of use of Mellors Lane Park**

The Council has received a request to approve the use of Mellors Lane Park for Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2017. It was agreed to approve the use and that that Cllr Massey would continue to be the licensee for the event. The Fete committee had stated they were looking into the possibility of charging an entry fee. The Council felt it was not possible or suitable to charge for entry into a public playing field and would like to suggest they request donations on entry and not charge people for entry. The Clerk will contact the committee with the information.

### **2017/01/12 National Tribute WW1 Beacons of Light 11/11/2018-Holbrook Participation**

The Clerk has received an invitation to participate in the Beacons of Light event in November 2018 to mark the centenary of the end of World War One. It was proposed to join in the event and choose a suitable location in the Parish by Cllr Roberts, this was seconded by Cllr Mrs Briggs and all voted in favour. The Clerk will register to take part in the event and will be the point of contact for the event. Mellors Lane Park and Gorsey Piece have been cited as potential areas to place the beacon but this will be decided nearer the time.

#### **Action-The Clerk**

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### **2017/01/13 FINANCE:-**

**a) Accounts for payment**

Proposed by Cllr Rhodes, Seconded by Cllr Mrs Briggs and all unanimously agreed. Cllr Massey declared an interest in item 2017/01/13 (5) (HAHVCC)

**a) Accounts for payment (subject to confirmation at the meeting )**

1) H Owen Salary	£544.57
2) S Beardmore	£381.03
3) HMRC	£ 231.36
4) MS Accountancy	£ 23.82
5) HAHVCC Hire of Hall	£15.50

**b) Accounts listed from December-for information only.**

1) H Owen Salary	£544.57
2) HMRC	£136.16
3) MS Accountancy	£ 14.64
4) Denby Construction	£681.60

**c) HMRC Request for Direct Debit PAYE Payment**

The Clerk has been informed that HMRC now request PAYE to be paid via direct debit. It was proposed by Cllr Massey to set up the direct debit to allow this to happen, this was seconded by Cllr Briggs and all voted in favour.

**d) Reimbursement for Parish Warden cover**

The Clerk has received £1500 from Aviva insurance to reimburse the Parish Council for the expense of covering the Parish Warden during his absence. The Clerk was congratulated on achieving a successful outcome.

**2017/01/14 Planning**

**Applications –**

**AVA/2016/1273 Station House, Alfreton Road Coxbench. Proposed first floor side extension and ground floor garden room.** The Parish Council has no observations

**AVA/2016/1291&1300 Holbrook View, Birchwood Farm, Portway, Coxbench. Proposed single storey extension to side of detached house and listed building consent.** The Parish Council has no observations.

**AVA/2016/1290/1297 Lumley Cottage Birchwood Farm, Portway Holbrook. Proposed single storey extension to cottage and listed building consent. Response submitted to AVBC.** The Parish Council has no observations

**AVA/2016/1391 Spotted Cow, Town Street. Erection of 2 detached houses.** Planning Application AVA/2016/1319 The erection of two detached houses.

Houses to be of the same design construction in brick with slate roofs. The site is to the rear of a used public house beyond its car park. There is no impact on the existing building or car park. Access will remain the same.

Holbrook Parish Council (HPC) asks Amber Valley Borough Council (AVBC) to refuse planning application AVA/2016/1319. On the previous applications regarding the Spotted Cow location, the Parish Council raised concerns about several issues which we feel still remains the same. The most important objection is that It is detrimental to the Holbrook and Holbrook Moor Conservation Area and is contrary to the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) Core Planning Principles and the saved policy EN27 of the AVBC Local Plan.

It will exacerbate an already difficult and potentially dangerous traffic situation on a narrow road forming part of the through road from Derby to Belper. After looking at the planning application in detail there are concerns about access issues. The Parish Council don't believe the access statement is plausible and issues will be inevitable.

Whilst the Parish Council welcomes the several comments about the Spotted Cow re-opening as a pub there is no concrete evidence to support that and AVBC will be aware of a recent planning application for change of use of the building to a house.

If this application is agreed it will, effectively, be a green light for houses on the whole of the Spotted Cow site.

Supporting information and documentation:

- 1) The Holbrook and Holbrook Moor Conservation Area Character Statement adopted as Council Policy and Supplementary Planning Guidance 23/12/1996 in the section covering Town Street and Church Street mentions the Spotted Cow public house.

The policy seeks to protect the character of the Conservation Area and specifically states that development should not encroach upon the setting of historic buildings.

Planning application AVA/2013/1013 concerning the demolition of an existing dry stone wall at 20 Town Street which is the property immediately to the south of the Spotted Cow car park was refused. The letter, which we sent a copy of after the last planning application response was submitted, dated 9 January 2014 from Julian Townsend, Executive Director Operations at AVBC, includes "The site lies within Holbrook Conservation Area, saved policy EN27 of the Adopted Amber Valley Borough Local Plan 2006 states that planning permission will only be granted if the development contributes to the preservation or enhancement of the Conservation Area."

HPC does not consider the proposed development covered by this application preserves or enhances the Conservation Area.

- 2) The Spotted Cow and car park run along the West side of Town Street which is a busy through road and bus route between Derby and Belper. Town Street at this point is narrow and HPC would draw attention to the observations from Derbyshire County Council relating to this application historically.

**AVA/2017/0065 4 Chapel Street, Holbrook. Change of use from Butchers Shop to Residential.** The Parish Council has no observations.

**TRE/2017/0002 6 Browns Lane, Holbrook. Removed one tree (unknown species) and remove holly tree.** The Parish Council have no observations.

**Decisions–**

**AVA/2016/1099 45a Shaw Lane, Holbrook. Non-material amendment-Permitted**

**AVA/2016/1118 Asterdale, Alfreton Rd, Coxbench. Roof Extension-Permitted**

**TRE/2016/0189 Station House, Alfreton Road, Coxbench. Removal of Trees-Permitted.**

**AVA/2016/1056 Land west of Portway, Holbrook. Agricultural building-Permitted**

**TRE/2016/0176 Holbrook Hall, Makeney Road, Holbrook. Remove Sycamore Tree-REFUSED**

**AVA/201/1138 137 Belper Road, Bargate. Single Storey Extension Permitted.**

**2017/01/15 Correspondence for information.**

DALC emails, AVBC Emails, Precept confirmation document, Allotment query, Registers of Electors email, Neighbourhood watch emails, Missing grit bin report, Community defibrillator email, carol service emails, Recycling email, Mobile cinema information, DALC circulars, Signs Express email, Public Sector executive emails, Applications for Parish Wardens, Confirmation of insurance claim, Accident prevention email, Parish Precepts email, Inspection rota email, Payphone emails, Post office query, Women leadership conference emails, committee papers from AVBC, Came& Company newsletter, SLCC emails, Review of broadband access emails, Derbyshire Children's Holiday centre email, Rights of way maintenance email, Playground equipment emails, Spotted Cow banner email, Reported street light fault confirmation emails, Active places emails, Rainbows hospice newsletter, Tree planting emails, War memorial cleaning information, Allotment query, Stoney Lane emails and RAD information.

**2017/01/16 Date of next meeting:** Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2017.