

**MINUTES OF THE HOLBROOK PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 27th JULY 2016 AT 7.15 p.m. AT THE 'ARKWRIGHT' PARISH HALL,
MOORSIDE LANE, HOLBROOK**

PRESENT:- Councillors Massey (Chairman)
Mrs Briggs
Kennedy
Rhodes
Roberts
Kevin Buttery DCC/AVBC
PCSO Midgley
PC Cole
Mrs H Owen (Clerk)
1 members of Public

2016/07/1 APOLOGIES

Cllr Bull, Cllr Mrs Gruber, Cllr T Ainsworth (AVBC)

2016/07/2 DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS INTERESTS

Cllr Massey declared an interest in item 2016/07/12.

2016/07/3 PUBLIC SPEAKING:-

PC Cole & PCSO Midgley:

PC Gareth Cole introduced himself to the Council and reported he is settling in well to the area.

PCSO Midgley reported that there had been a burglary on 20th July on Bargate Road. It was highlighted to not leave windows and doors open during the hot weather when leaving the house unoccupied.

Awareness was also raised about a current issue involving people knocking on doors appearing to sell items such as dusters. What they are really doing is sussing out the house and area with a view to returning to break in to the property. It was stressed that any such incidents must be reported so the police are aware such visits are taking place.

PCSO Midgley informed the council that he is moving to a new position in the Military Police. The Chairman and Councillors thanked John for all his help over the last 8 years and the Parish Council wish him well in his new job. The Chairman also took the opportunity to thank the Police for all their help with issues over recent years, especially as their resources are so stretched, they have still been there when needed.

Cllr Kennedy raised concerns to the Police about a number of young drivers racing cars along Alfreton Road in Coxbench. The matter will be looked into.

Cllr Buttery:

Cllr Buttery made the Council aware that he had raised concerns with DCC Highways who have recently made another Parish remove some markers to stop people parking on verges. He has asked that an official practice needs to be put in place to help protect the verges. He will update us with any further information. It was reported to Cllr Buttery that the crossroads at Coxbench is so overgrown it is dangerous and it is becoming impossible to see oncoming traffic. Cllr Buttery said he would report the matter but advised their resources are currently over stretched.

Other:

Cllr Rhodes reported that the Willow Trees in the field belonging to the Strutt Estate on Moorside Lane, are pushing against the wall and need attention. There is also issues with blocked gutters. The Clerk is to send 2 letters to the Strutt Estate. One reporting the Willow Tree issues, copying in DCC Highways department. The second reporting the blocked gutters, copying in English Heritage. **Action-The Clerk**

Richard Massey reported to the Council that the AGM of the H.A.V.H.C.C had recently taken place. The Trust reported that they had run out of places to apply for grants for a new build project. A decision has been made to repair, secure and maintain the current Village Hall. The Trust will report to the Parish Council in the near future and request that the money raised so far can be used for this project.

Cllr Rhodes reported that a hand written sign had appeared next to the footpath notices from DCC on Bradshaw Drive. The Clerk will go and read the notice and report back to the councillors. **Action –The Clerk**

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Proposed Cllr Roberts, seconded Cllr Mrs Briggs – unanimously agreed.

2016/07/5CHAIRMAN’S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman outlined business for the evening.

2016/07/6 CLERK’S REPORT

(a)Mellors Lane Park Improvements – inspection reports

Mr Brocklehurst is unable to carry out next week’s Playground inspection as he is away. He has asked the Clerk to ask one of the other inspectors to cover the inspection. **Action-The Clerk**

(b) Potterell Charity – Cllr. Massey reported all well. There had been an Ant infestation but this has been resolved.

(c) Footpaths, hedges and verges.

The Annual Footpath Walk Inspection had taken place and the following report has been sent to DCC by Richard Biggin:

Report of Holbrook Parish Council Walk – w/c 11th July 2016

During the week commencing 11th July 2016 the Annual Parish Council Footpath Walk was completed covering all the footpaths in the Parish. This is the only way we can guarantee the maintenance of our Footpath Right of Ways by recording this annual walk with the Rights of Way Department at the DCC at Matlock, it also enables us to report on the condition of the paths, stiles and gates and get any problems resolved. Thank you to all those that supported the walk.

All the footpaths, bridleways and roads used as footpaths were walked and any problems recorded: Resulting from the attention that has been given to the footpaths recently, new gates and signage, with considerable support from the designated officer, David Jenkinson, Rights of Way Assistant (Inspector, East Team) at DCC, all the paths were all open for access but minor some problems were encountered as below:

General - a number of the footpaths are very overgrown due to the vigorous growth this year, particularly

Footpaths Kilburn 1 and 10 which link with Holbrook 4 - from SK 37293 45594 to 37073 45469

Watering Lane very overgrown Lane - HPC Parish Warden will attend to this.

Specific problems- Holbrook Footpath 15 - sign at the beginning of FP at the top of Red lane missing at SK35778 44557, Holbrook Footpath 9 - The stone squeeze stile near Little Farley's Wood was completely obscured by vegetation and, as a consequence, it was apparent that the main track people were taking was to the right of the hedgerow rather than the left (travelling north). SK36248 43342 ,Holbrook Footpath 9 - There is a broken stile south of the field by Day Park Cottage - as shown in the two photographs attached. SK36208 43514 ,Holbrook FP 9 - Ref 7139711 Defective Stile, previous reported still not replaced by supplied gate.

Holbrook Footpath 4 - Broken stile at top of Browns Lane SK35563 45059 –

Richard Biggin, HPC Footpath Officer

An email has been received reporting rubble being washed down Stoney Lane/Watering Lane in the recent rain. This has been happening for a number of years but the ruts this year are very deep and it has become dangerous to walk and also a danger to horses using the path. The main issue is the ditch in the bottom section of Stoney Lane and along the north side of Watering Lane both being silted up and in need of cleaning out. Historically DCC have cleared the ditch and it was RESOLVED that the Clerk would contact DCC Highways department and Footpaths department to ask for assistance.

Action-The Clerk

Richard Biggin has reported someone has dumped a large amount of polystyrene packaging in Gorse Piece. The Clerk is to ask the Parish Warden to remove it. It was also RESOLVED that the clerk would contact A.M Hall for the annual mow of Gorse Piece.

Action-The Clerk

(d) Social Media

The Facebook page has had a few new followers this month. The Clerk has placed posters promoting the page on all the notice boards in the Parish. The Clerk asked Councillors to send any photographs or content that may be relevant to the page and she will upload them .

Action The Clerk

(e) Queens Floral Tribute

The Clerk has received an email from Gail Brocklehurst to inform her that the floral tribute is looking tired and that some of the flowers are dead. The Clerk is to go and look at the floral tribute and check the flowers are being watered. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk would go and purchase some more flowers and ask the Parish Warden to plant them in the floral tribute to ensure they look well for the rest of the season.

Action- The Clerk

2016/07/7 New Bus Shelter Decision

Following the recent consultation period it was proposed not to purchase any new bus shelters at this time. Proposed Cllr Rhodes, Seconded Cllr Kennedy and all voted in favour.

2016/07/8 Neighbourhood Plan- Village Fete Update and Councillor Vacancies

It was agreed that having a Parish Council stall at the Village Fete had been well received and was a good way for members of the public to meet the Parish Council.

There had been a number of people express an interest in the neighbourhood plan. The Clerk is to email those people to thank them for their interest and let them know the Parish Council will be in touch in September.

There had been 2 people express an interest in becoming a Parish Councillor. The Clerk is to email them and invite them to the August Parish Council meeting.

Action- The Clerk

2016/07/9 Village Warden- new equipment request.

It was RESOLVED that the Parish Council would purchase a new strimmer up to the value of £150 suitable for use on Pavements. The current strimmer is too powerful to be used on footpaths. Proposed Cllr Roberts, Seconded Cllr Rhodes and all voted in favour.

2016/07/10 DALC Subscriptions and Councillor Training

It was RESOLVED to pay the lower tier of DALC subscription this year. Cllr Gruber has expressed an interest in going on the Finance for Councillors training course which is £25. No other training was requested at this time so it was not financially beneficial to opt for the higher subscription this year. The Clerk will book Cllr Gruber onto the Course which will be held in Ripley.

Action – The Clerk

2016/07/11 Trent Barton Buses – Nine Services update

The Clerk has had no further correspondence from Trent Barton. It has been reported that the late night services on a Friday and Saturday will operate a request stop service through Alfreton Road.

2016/07/12 FINANCE:-

a) Accounts for payment

Proposed Cllr Mrs Briggs and seconded Cllr Kennedy. Unanimously agreed.
Cllr Massey declared an interest in item 2016/0712 a3.

- 1) MS Accountancy £14.64 Cheque 000901
- 2) H Owen (Salary & 4UH) £544.57+£35.99= £580.56 Cheque 000902
- 3) HAVHCC £23.25 Cheque 000903
- 4) DALC Subscriptions £397.74 Cheque 000904
- 5) Tom Connors £476.23 Cheque 000905
- 6) HMRC £136.16 Cheque 000906

b) Update on new bank accounts

The Barclays account is now open and the Cheque for £72,500 has now been paid in.

Paper work has arrived for HSBC and all Councillors who are signatories signed the documents. The Councillors ID has all been approved with HSBC so upon return of the paper work the account will be open.

Natwest and RBS have sent the relevant paper work to remove Gail Brocklehurst as signatory and add Cllr Mrs Briggs.

C) Pensions Auto Enrolment Update- The Clerk has been in contact with Derbyshire County Council and is working on joining their pension scheme.

2016/7/13 Planning

Applications

AVA/2016/0636 18 Moorside Lane, Holbrook. 2 Storey side extension.

The Parish Council has no observations

No Observations

Decisions

AVA/2016/0476 14 Belper Road, Holbrook. Remove low wall and rebuild using existing materials, 5.9 metres back from the footpath and drop 4 kerb stones to create off road parking area. **PERMITTED**

AVA/2016/0493 17 Vicarwood Avenue, Holbrook. Certificate of lawful development for proposed construction of single storey rear/side extension.
PERMITTED

AVA/2016/0543 12 Mellors Lane, Holbrook. Roof lift loft conversion. **PERMITTED**

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AVA/2016/0551 The Long House, Birchwood Farm, Portway Coxbench.
Proposed double garage. **PERMITTED**

AVA/2016/0456 and 0485 Holbrook View, Birchwood Farm, Portway, Coxbench.
Proposed Orangery-applications withdrawn

TRE/2016/0089 17 Bradshaw Drive, Holbrook. Remove Scots Pine Tree and
Crown Reduce Maple by 25%. **PERMITTED**

AVA/2016/0601 8 Chestnut Avenue, Holbrook. Certificate if lawful development
for proposed construction of a flat roofed dormer extension, insertion of roof lights
to the principal elevation roof and creation of bi fold doors to rear elevation.
PERMITTED.

AVA/2016/0589 Small Barn at Highfields Farm. Re-roofing of existing barn.
PERMITTED

2016/07/14 Correspondence for information.

DALC circular, Came & Company change of company registration letter, DALC
circulars, Letter re Pond Road Land from DCC, Letter re Stoney Lane

2016/07/15 Date of next meeting: Wednesday 31st August 2016

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