

Parish of Great Hucklow, Grindlow, Windmill, Little Hucklow and Coplowlale

Parish Council Meeting - Monday the 20th July 2020

Held remotely via Zoom

Draft Minutes of the Meeting

1. Present/Apologies for absence

Parish Councillors: Cllr Nick Williams (Chair), Cllr Martin Beer, Cllr Jamie Ollerenshaw, Cllr Tracey Tudor Jones, Cllr Carol Bradshaw and Deborah Stansfield (Clerk)

Cllr Chris Furness, DDDC
Cllr Judith Twigg, DCC

2. Opening Remarks

NW welcomed everyone to the Parish Council meeting.

3. Minutes of the previous meetings (held on 18th May 2020) TTJ proposed and NW seconded that these should be recorded as an accurate record, NW signed.

4. Remarks, Notices and Information – Parishoners and other members of the public

None present. Agreed to promote the next meeting more online and in newsletter to encourage parishoners to attend. **Action: DS**

5. Urgent Items

None

6. Highways/ Footpaths

- a. School Lane – NW confirmed that he had contacted Andy Wilson and agreed to place a number of large stones towards the top of the track at the junction of the path into the woodland as off road traffic was now increasingly diverting along this. Arrangements were being made to place these ASAP. **Action: NW**

DS had previously confirmed that a response had been received from DCC regarding ongoing concerns, NW to consider a response given the Jacobs Ladder TRO development. Outstanding. **Action: NW/DS**

- b. Silence Heritage Site – NW advised that no progress has been made and this remains closed, awaiting outcome of the PDNPA report.

- c. Road between Little Plumpton Cottage and Bretton – NW advised that DCC are still awaiting the PDNPA report before taking any decisions regarding

repairs to the road. The road closure notice has now been extended to 31st December 2020.

JO advised that he had spoken to Andrew Barton about the outcomes of report and Andrew has advised him that he can't see that there is any reason why the work to repair/resurface the road cannot go ahead and he is contacting Andy Yates to advise. JT agreed to follow this up. **Action: JT**

NW advised that DCC have engaged consultants to carry out various underground surveys and it would be useful to see the results. To contact Julian Gould to ascertain if this is possible. **Action: NW**

- d. Camphill Lane further subsidence – NW confirmed that repairs to the wall have now been completed.
- e. Abney Road Collapse – NW had previously confirmed that DCC have now received a report from their contractors identifying repair options. These are now being costed. etc. No further update. Outstanding.
- f. Grindlow potential water leak – JO advised that DCC are coordinating work to fix the problem with Severn Trent Water and Western Power Distribution. It appears that the electricity ducting may be the route of the problem. Neil Johnson (Highways, DCC) is arranging a site visit. **Action: JO**
- g. Water leak at the bottom of Jacks Cross, near the sewage works. Severn Trent Water have visited the site and have not been able to identify the source of the leak except to advise that it appears to be coming up via a road gully. Possibly it is similar to the Grindlow issue - see point (f). JO and NW to continue liaison with both authorities. **Action: JO/NW**

7. District and County Councillor Reports

- a. The Causeway (Grindlow) and Dirty Lane (Great Hucklow) – Resurfacing
JT agreed to continue to pursue this by ensuring that this was included in the DCC 21/22 budget allocation for this type of work. **Action: JT**
- b. High Rake

MB advised that he had ascertained that sheep are allowed to graze between July and February in limited numbers but is uncertain about the longer term management plan.

CF agreed to speak to PDNPA regarding their future plans regarding High Rake with regard to CRoW and advise whether CRoW status would be of benefit if the land remains in the hands of the NPA. **Action: CF**

8. Mining Committee

JO gave an update on activities: -

- a. JO advised that the PDNPA report remains outstanding that PDNPA will make it available to BFL prior to making it more widely available. NW and

JO have now sent a letter expressing dissatisfaction with the current approach and availability of the report to Sarah Fowler, PDNPA and Andrew Barton. No response has been received as yet.

- b. JO gave a general update on a conversation he has had with Andrew Barton. Apparently the report has been presented to BFL and they are now awaiting for a meeting with BFL to discuss their comments.

9. Actions Arising from Previous Minutes

- a. Parish owned Land Registration – Councillors had previously agreed the need to take legal advice in order to progress the PC's applications and agreed that we should obtain estimates from several legal practices. DS advised that she has now contracted three solicitors. One solicitor has advised that obtaining adverse possession would be extremely difficult given the openness and use of the pieces of land we are trying to register. DS to chase up the other two solicitors to ascertain their views. **Action: DS**

- b. Green Bin Garden Waste Collections
CF had previously advised that a system of charging for green bin collections will be introduced in April 2021. The cost (per bin) will be £50 pa, in the first year this will be discounted to £35 if payment is received by December 31st 2020. DS queried how residents will be notified of when and how to pay in order to receive the discount, CF to confirm. Outstanding, news on this is expected in September. **Action: CF**

CF advised that normal weekly collections of food waste caddies will be resumed from Monday 27th July 2020. The new waste contract commences in August and a number of new vehicles have been purchased by DCC.

- c. Bench for Land Between Great Hucklow and Windmill
DS advised that she had identified the supplier who had previously supplied the green oak benches in Great Hucklow – Chris Nangle.

The cost of a new green oak bench is £785.00 plus £125.00 delivery, lead time 6 weeks.

DS confirmed that following requests she had now received funding from DCC and DDDC to fund the entire cost of bench with the remaining delivery cost to be funded by the PC. DS thanked CF and JT for their generous funding.

Councillors agreed the expenditure, NW proposed and MB seconded. DS to place an order.

Action: DS

- d. Verge Cutting –DS advised that following phone calls to DCC the verges on the bottom road to Foolow have now been cut back but others remain uncut. There is confusion as to the responsibilities of DCC and DDDC. CF advised that DDDC are contracted by DCC to cut verges in our area and also to attend to visibility issues with regard to road splays. CF to email through contact details for where future issues should be reported.

Action: CF

10. Correspondence and Circulars

All correspondence/circulars received had been circulated to Councillors on receipt. Items of interest as follows: -

- PDNPA – Residential Annexe Supplementary Planning Document Consultation response due by 17 8 20. Discussed and agreed to send letter advising no additional comments. **Action: DS**
 - PPPF – Call for representatives to join White Peak Partnership. MB to send info to NW/JO who may have potential candidates. **Action: MB**
 - Hathersage Local Awareness Group – request for funding for posters/banners. DS to forward to Community Spirit. **Action: DS**
 - DCC – Grindlow road closure for electrical work. JO co-ordinating with water leak issues. **Action: JO**
 - DCC – Extension to road closure Bretton Clough to 31st December 2020
 - PPPF – Parishes Day confirmed as 3rd October 2020
 - Divisional Commander, North Division, Derbyshire Constabulary – Police activities due to Covid 19
 - Marie Curie - Request for donation
 - NALC – confirmation that remote council meetings can be held until May 2021
 - DALC – Environmental Trust Funding Opportunities
- Items for Newsletter: -
- PDNPA – Fire Fund launches
 - PDNPA – Extreme litter picking by Park Rangers
 - DCC – Reopening of Public Toilets
 - PDNPA - White Peak Distillery hand sanitiser donations

11. Finance

- a. Bank Current Account Balance – £6472.12 as at 20 7 20
Spreadsheet detailing all transactions was available for Councillors to view at the meeting.
- b. Payments made since last meeting: -
- £200.00 – W Brindley
 - £315.00 – J Warriner
 - £287.29 – Zurich Insurance
 - £618.10 – Clerk Salary
 - £16.40 – HMRC (tax on Clerks salary)
 - £75.00 – J Taylor
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- Credits received: -
- £635.00 – DCC
 - £150.00 - DDDC

Payments Outstanding: -
None

c. Insurance Renewal – DS advised that a premium increase of £30 for the current year had been accepted to cover the PC's increased asset value, however, the insurer had advised that due to their error the increase amount should have been £58.00. DS to review market place for alternative quotes next year.

d. Annual Governance and Accountability Returns

(i) Notice of Public Rights – reviewed and agreed this can now be displayed on website and noticeboards. **Action: DS**

(ii) Annual Governance Statement – discussed and reviewed for the financial year ended 31st March 2020 and this was unanimously approved. To be displayed on website. **Action: DS**

(iii) Accounting Statements – discussed and reviewed for the financial year ended 31st March 2020 and this was unanimously approved. To be displayed on website. **Action: DS**

These documents need to have a “wet” signature (by the Clerk/RF and The Chairman) which will be achieved by signing and scanning the documents. DS to organise. **Action: NW/DS**

e. Wild Flowers/Bulb Planting at entrances to villages

DS had previously circulated information received from both PDNPA and Tideswell Environmental Group re wild flower planning options. Discussed and agreed that planting one area as a trial would be appropriate and NW advised that a couple of parishoners are willing to get involved in this. DS to try to ascertain likely costs for seeds/plants, maintenance, labour etc. **Action: DS**

DS advised that in the course of discussions PDNPA had raised the issue of an invasive species (Himalayan Balsam) being present in areas of Little Hucklow including the water treatment works there. DS to ascertain if Severn Trent have been made aware of the situation re the Water Treatment Works. **Action: DS**

f. Clerk's Job Description, Contract and Salary requires annual review. NW confirmed that he had taken independent advice on this, discussed with DS and no changes to the existing contract are necessary.

g. Defibrillator Provision - Little Hucklow
Attempting to obtain information to allow the defib to be registered with EMAS. Outstanding. **Action: NW/DS**

h. Additional Areas for Mowing Great Hucklow

(i) The Triangle, Great Hucklow – this has previously been maintained by a Parishoner but was now in need of a regular service. DS had obtained a price from our existing Great Hucklow contractor to include this in his current GH schedule at the agreed additional cost quoted. NW proposed and TTJ seconded acceptance of this.

- (ii) Land between Great Hucklow and Windmill – DS advised that quotes have been obtained for mowing an area and pathway across this land. NW advised that he has used a tractor to “mow” in the first instance and will continue to do this for the rest of this season to get the area under control before passing to the most competitive contractor next year. NW proposed and CB seconded.
- i. Gritbin Replacement
JO/NW advised that the two new gritbins recently purchased are being reallocated to Grindlow and Coplowdale to replace existing damaged bins. DS to update Asset Register. **Action: DS**
- j. Data Protection Policy and associated policy reviews
DS advised that she had updated the PC Data Protection Policy and also drafted the following new documents: -
 - Privacy Policy
 - Security Incident Reporting Policy
 - Document Retention Policy

Councillors agreed to review the documents and advise of any comments prior to July 31st, if no comments were submitted it was agreed that the policies would be formerly adopted. **Action: NW/MB/TTJ/CB/JO**

12. Planning

- a. Neighbourhood Plan - No further update, awaiting PDNPA mining report prior to continuing work. Next step is to apply for funding. Remains outstanding subject to receipt of the PDNPA report.

13. Date of next meeting

21st September 2020 at 8.00pm

TBA

14. Items for Information

None

There being no further business the meeting closed at 21.50