

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

Parish Council Meeting - Monday the 19th November 2018

Held in The Old Methodist Chapel, Great Hucklow

Minutes of the Meeting

1. Present/Apologies for absence

Parish Councillors: Cllr Nick Williams (Chair), Cllr Martin Beer, Cllr Jamie Ollerenshaw and Deborah Stansfield (Clerk)

Apologies: Cllr Tracey Tudor Jones, Cllr Carol Bradshaw

Cllr Judith Twigg, DCC

Apologies: Cllr Chris Furness, DDDC

Members of the Public: Henry Folkard and Peter Miles

2. Opening Remarks

NW welcomed everyone

3. Minutes of the previous meeting (held on 17th September 2018) – were signed as an accurate record.

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

None

5. Urgent Items

None

6. Highways/ Footpaths

- a. School Lane – further discussions around concerns previously raised regarding off road vehicles and bikes. NW advised that the Parish Council would formulate a comprehensive plan of action with regard to progressing this. Henry Folkard to provide background information. Draft information received, NW to review. Outstanding. **Action: NW**

DS confirmed that residents of School Lane are continuing to monitor off road traffic activity in order to gather information on levels and frequencies of this type of traffic. DS advised that activity has increased since the beginning of September with bikes driving up and down the lane during school times and will pull together information collected for the next meeting. **Action: DS**

HF advised that PDNPA had agreed to place a traffic logger at the top of School Lane and he would follow up to see if this has been actioned as yet. **Action: HF**

JT had previously reported that recent developments at Jacobs Ladder (Stoney Middleton) had now set a precedent with regard to possibly closing the road to this type of traffic. JT had previously agreed to report back that School Lane was still very much on the Parish Council's agenda and traffic is currently being monitored. **Action: JT**

- b. Silence Heritage Site – Henry Folkard and NW gave an update of the current situation and advised that there has been an increase in the overall area of the collapse and the ground remains very unstable around the perimeter. The site remains closed.

Attempts to arrange a Public Meeting this have proved to be very difficult due to the existing commitments of many of those invited to speak. NW advised that the New Year may be a better time to organise. **Action: NW/DS**

- c. Road between Plumpton Cottage and Bretton – Accesses to byways 6 and 10 the fences were bent back and signage not visible. JO reported to DCC who have been out and replaced the gates. Top road gates on the east side are lent against blocking as missing foot blocks so unable to stand and 1 reflector missing on west side. JO will notify DCC and pass follow up to DS. Suggestion was made that if gates on byways 6 and 10 are damaged again. When notifying DCC ask about the possibility of concrete blocks to accompany fencing on byways 6 and 10 to deter bikes / vehicles using the track. **Action: JO/DS**
- d. Windmill Signage – enhanced signage to deter speeding through Windmill have been requested by residents. DCC have provided images regarding potential signs. MB to review and photograph existing signage. **Action: MB**

7. District and County Councillor Reports

- a. Potholes on the Causeway (Grindlow) - JT has raised this with Highways and they have advised as follows: -

“The Highway Inspector reports that this location is to be considered on the capital scheme list for resurfacing in the next financial year. In the meantime, the road will be regularly inspected and any actionable defects repaired as necessary to keep the highway safe.” Ongoing.

- b. NW advised that a Parishioner has asked if the tarmac around the triangle in Grindlow could be reinstated as this has been removed/uplifted by water and electricity providers working there and has not been replaced. DS to request this to be included as part of The Causeway work. **Action: DS**
- c. Heavy Goods traffic Little Hucklow – CB had previously asked if a “No Through Road for Heavy Traffic” sign could be placed in Little Hucklow as many heavy lorries are travelling through the village and up Forest Lane. JT has raised with Highways, however, they have declined to do this. CB to monitor traffic and take photographs of offending vehicles to enable prosecution via Trading Standards. **Action: CB**

MB advised that there is also an additional issue at Wash House Bottom which is that the road is being eroded due to heavy vehicles grounding and damaging the road.

- d. Collapsed area Little Hucklow – CB had previously advised that there is a collapsed area near the chapel in Little Hucklow which has had cones placed around it but no repair work looks to have been started. JT agreed to raise with Highways. Outstanding. **Action: JT**
- e. Waste bin Little Hucklow - Cllr Chris Furness has confirmed via email that a bin in a new location cannot at this time be provided or serviced by DCC.
- f. Waste bin Great Hucklow - DS previously advised that a further request from a parishioner had been made re an additional bin for the new bus stop at the bottom of Dyrty Lane (on Bottom Road). It appears that because of DDDC cuts (need to find cuts of £1M over the next 3 years) this would be unlikely to be granted. Costs for a bin and the associated service charges were requested to assess the viability of the Parish Council funding this. Costs have now been provided for purchasing a bin, servicing remains a potential issue. Resolved that the purchase cost of an additional bin would be included 2019/20 budget. **Action: DS**
- g. Waste bags – CF advised that due to cuts DDDC will now be charging for black waste bags, however, green recyclable food caddy bags would still be provided FOC. TTJ advised that Grindlow had not received caddy bags for this year as yet, CF to investigate. Outstanding. **Action: CF**

8. Protected Landscapes - The Julian Glover Review

Discussed and agreed that MB will draft a response from the Parish Council.

Action: MB

9. Actions Arising from Previous Minutes

- a. Registration of Parish owned land – following discussions with DALC DS has now contacted Land Registry regarding the process of registration of the land and associated costs. Each individual piece of land currently has to be registered separately at a cost of £30 (land value up to £80K) together with an inspection cost of £40. Two possible routes can be taken –Adverse Possession or First Registration. There is potential to amalgamate several areas into one but not usually at first registration, however, following discussions it seems there may be scope to do this. Councillors resolved that a budget of £500 be allocated to the 2018/19 budget with the view to try to register the main pieces of land in Great Hucklow and Little Hucklow in this financial year. Outstanding. **Action: DS**
- b. Visit to Milldam Mine, Great Hucklow – NW to follow up. **Action: NW**
- c. Gliding Club – the Gliding Club is going to be affected by changes to business rate subsidies. Letter of support re maintaining current subsidy levels has been sent. Completed.

DS advised that Liz Martin has emailed her thanks for our support and advised that some concessions have been made on both sides, not the ideal outcome but not the worst scenario that was under consideration either.

- d. Buxton to Sheffield Bus Service (65) – clarification of the Youth Discount Travel Card policy across boundaries (Derbyshire to Sheffield) with Stagecoach has now been received, No weekly tickets are available, no further action.

10. Correspondence and Circulars

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

- Snow Warden Scheme information form DCC
- Western Power query re Grindlow repair work
- Duke of Edinburgh Feedback Request
- Parish/Town Council Liaison Forum January invitation – NW to attend.
Action: NW
- PPPF Parishes Day Feedback
- Conservation Policy – draft letter to John Scott – NW confirmed he agreed with PPPF response and has nothing more to add.
- £100K Cycle Tourism Grant for Peak Businesses that cater for cyclists - Newsletter Item. **Action: DS**
- PDNPA – Miles without Stiles Award - Newsletter Item. **Action: DS**
- Child Sexual Exploitation Campaign “Say something if you see something” – Newsletter Item. **Action: DS**
- Derbyshire Life article re Great Hucklow Xmas lights - December Edition “Festival of Light” – Newsletter Item. **Action: DS**
- Radio Derby – Great Hucklow piece – provided by Peter Miles.

11. Finance

- a. Bank Account Balances – current account: £3930.40 as at 30th October 2018. Spreadsheet detailing all transactions was circulated at the meeting.
- b. Payments made since last meeting as follows: -
- £95.00 - James Warriner for October mowing service
 - £160.00 – William Brindley for September and October mowing service
 - £45.00 – DALC Neighbourhood Planning Training (Martin Beer)

Payments outstanding awaiting invoices: -

- £65.00 + VAT – Pennine Aggregates for grit salt

- £30.00 – RBL for 10 large poppies

Credits received: -

- £61.00 – DDDC grant – for Little Hucklow telephone box refurbishment
- £200.00 – DCC grant – for Little Hucklow telephone box refurbishment

- c. PDNPA Funding for refurbishment of the telephone/defibrillator box in Little Hucklow. The total refurbishment cost for parts required is £1221.20 + VAT.

PDNPA have confirmed that they will fund 75% of the total cost (£915.90) and therefore the PC will have to find £44.30 From Contingency fund. Application form submitted to PDNPA and will be paid following receipt of invoice for purchase (funding may be available this financial year but if not will be 2019/20). Resolved that DS is to place order for parts required in the first quarter 2019.

Action: DS

CB to investigate who is responsible for the defibrillator in Little Hucklow and ensure it is currently operational.

Action: CB

- d. DCC Snow Warden Scheme – all relevant forms have now been submitted and a tonne of grit salt has been requested. JO is reviewing gritting routes – to advise DS once completed for onward notification to DCC. **Action: JO/DS**

It was previously resolved that as a precautionary measure another tonne of salt be purchased ahead of the winter to replenish our current stock (currently circa half a tonne). This has now been delivered.

- e. Poppy Appeal 2018 – Previously resolved that the PC would purchase 10 large lamp post poppies again this year and request an additional 25 additional poppies (on sale or return basis) for residents to purchase if they wish. The additional 25 were not purchased due to no facility for sale or return being available this year. Completed.
- f. Clerks Job Description and Contract annual review – completed. Holiday pay to be added to budget from April 2019. **Action: DS**
- g. RIN Accounts – now closed. Charity Commission Return for 2017/18 has been filed and charity deregistered.
- h. Parish Council Elections May 2019 – Estimates of costs have now been received ranging between £115.00 and £1121.00 dependent on whether seats are uncontested or contested. It was resolved that we will budget on an annual basis for a percentage of likely cost for future elections (£200 pa), however, we will need to find the money from existing budgets for 2019 elections. Awaiting further instructions on the process from DDDC. **Action: DS**

12. Planning

- a. Neighbourhood Plan – Our Neighbourhood Plan designated Area has now been formally approved by PDNPA.

- b. Steering Committee – MB reported that the first meeting has now been held, census data has been collected and a further meeting is imminent.

MB has also attended the DALC Neighbourhood Planning training course and has met with Adele Metcalfe of PDNPA to discuss funding opportunities. MB to forward funding application form information to DS to complete. **Action: MB**

- c. Primrose Cottage Windmill – a second application has been submitted and the Parish Council has responded.
- d. Willow Croft, Great Hucklow – the Parish Council has responded.
- e. Brosterfield Caravan Site – revised planning application has been submitted by PDNPA. Henry Folkard outlined the current situation. NW reiterated the PC's support for opposing the application. Ongoing.

13. Date of next meeting

21st January 2019 at 8.00pm - The Schoolroom, The Old Methodist Chapel, Great Hucklow.

14. Items for Information

None

There being no further business the meeting closed at 21.45.