

A meeting of Parwich Parish Council was held on Wednesday, 17th February 2021 at 7:30 pm by video conference.

Present: Chair M Edge, P Kirkham, L Coyne, M Compton, S Chambers, J Jesson, Clerk A Martin.

2-17-1 Apologies/Councillors' attendance register.

Apologies accepted from J Turnbull.

Resolved: That the record of attendance should be completed on the Councillors' behalf by the Clerk.

2-17-2 Declaration of personal/pecuniary interests of Councillors.

None.

2-17-3 Minutes of the previous meeting.

The draft minutes of the meeting of 20th January 2020 had been forwarded to members in advance of the meeting and displayed on the Parish Council's website.

Resolved: To accept the draft minutes as a true record of proceedings. A copy will be held by the Clerk for the Chair to sign in person when this is possible.

2-17-4 Public speaking.

None.

2-17-5 Items from public speaking.

None

2-17-6 Clerk's report.

1. Clerk's estimate of time 6.5 hours per week.
2. Attended DALC Zoom meeting for Clerks'.
3. Flood defences
 - 3.1. Checked sand bags and sand at Sycamore. (Approx 12 left with enough sand).
 - 3.2. Built up bank at corner of tennis courts with sand bags.
 - 3.3. Placed order for drain and ditch work with Karl Allsop. (Acknowledged but no date yet).
 - 3.4. Notified unsuccessful contractors.
 - 3.5. Councillors have approached owners of adjacent land.
4. Gates and fences.
 - 4.1. Placed order with Tom Moorcroft.
 - 4.2. Included rotten posts near Blanche Meadow.

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- 4.3. Waiting date when materials available from Lester Lowe.
- 4.4. Notified unsuccessful contractors.
- 5. Pump Hill Adverse Possession application.
 - 5.1. Application withdrawn.
 - 5.2. Cheque for application fee refunded and banked. (£130).
- 6. Submitted precept application. (No change).
- 7. Read water meter and submitted reading.
- 8. Advised resident that postponement of wedding celebration on Parsons Croft to 2022 would be acceptable.
- 9. Climbing Frame.
 - 9.1. Revised offer of f.o.c. materials under guarantee plus £504 for labour declined. No response.

In hand

- 10. Renewal of electricity contract.
- 11. Further tasks arising from the risk management review.
- 12. Draft tender for three-year annual contract to clear Jubilee Pond and Sheepwash each Autumn in preparation but not yet circulated for review.

Waiting response or action

- 13. Clearance of Jubilee pond. Progressed again.
- 14. Housing needs survey. Waiting new appointment.
- 15. Request for Playground signs (Highways)
- 16. Request for Defibrillator donation. (Pikehall)
- 17. Unsafe condition of footbridge on right of way at Nethergreen north reported to Highways Authority. No reply yet.

2-17-7 Items of account.

Cheque payment.

Cheque number	Payee	Item	Amount
N/A	Clerk	Zoompro licence. Feb invoice (inc. VAT)	£14.39

Payment of accumulated expenses to be claimed with quarterly salary in March.

On-line payments.

Payee	Item	Amount
DALC	Subscription	£174.14

Resolved: The above are approved for payment. The DALC subscription is to be paid at the basic rate not including the additional fee for Group 1 training.

- Balance at 14 Jan 21. £25,621.17

2-17-8 Planning applications.

Nothing new to note

2-17-9 Parsons Croft.

Weather conditions continue to be unsuitable for dealing with the bonfire or rolling the boundary.

2-17-10 Pavilion.

The Council reviewed estimated costs for different approaches to addressing the asbestos panel used in the construction of the pavilion. These ranged from £2,000 for protective cladding to £6,000 to £10,000 for removal.

Resolved: The changing room end of the pavilion which contains already damaged panels will be kept closed until it can be made safe. Equipment likely to be required will be moved to the left-hand side for storage.

Resolved: The rooms to the left will remain usable so long as,

1. No exposed asbestos panelling is damaged.
2. A full copy of the asbestos report is kept available on site (done).
3. Any work undertaken should be subject to appropriate risk management.

It was noted that while the measures above are intended to manage risk appropriately in the short term, any significant structural repairs (e.g. roofing) may be substantially more costly due to the presence of the asbestos panelling.

Resolved: To conduct a poll to gather residents' views on the future use and maintenance costs for the building.

2-17-11 Village Survey.

Several councillors had met to prepare ideas for a village survey. Categories for questions were considered. Suggestions from residents were request via the blog. One response was received.

Resolved: A further meeting to develop questions for the survey will be held on the 2nd of March.

2-17-12 Footpath minor maintenance.

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Work on the path over Gibbons Bank and down to Monsdale Lane has been instructed but is waiting suitable weather.

Resolved: To add the following work.

1. Stoning up of two damaged areas on the path by the brook from Japonica.
2. Restoration of one damaged stretch of the edge between this path and the brook.
3. Repair to the signpost on Monsdale Lane for the footpath up to Gibbons Bank.

The Clerk will endeavour to secure funding from the Footpath minor maintenance scheme to cover the cost of this work.

The trees blocking the footpath on the sunken path from Flaxdale holdings will be cleared by volunteers on behalf of the landowner. (It having been established that neither the Parish council, nor the Highways Authority, can take responsibility for removing this obstruction).

2-17-13 Registration of Agricultural Land.

An indication of costs to assist with completing this task had been sought from a local solicitor. Advice had been received that this task is complicated by the incomplete nature of the historic records available. Some discussion took place regarding the practicality of pursuing this registration without paying for professional assistance.

Resolved: That Nigel Davies Solicitors should be instructed to prepare the application for registration. No more than four hours chargeable time should be spent on this task without seeking further authorisation from the Council.

2-17-14 Defibrillator.

It has been established on advice from the Derbyshire Association of Local Councils (DALC) that if these are purchased, and subsequently owned and insured, by the Council then VAT on the purchase can be reclaimed.

Resolved: That subject to an assurance from the First Responders that they will donate to the Council £3,000 from funds raised towards the cost of five replacement defibrillators the Parish Council will purchase them. The Parish Council will contribute the balance of the cost of £680.

The First Responders will remain responsible for maintaining and operating the equipment.

2-17-15 Kiln Lane junction.

Traffic turning right exiting Kiln Lane has caused further damage to the road surface

Resolved: That this should reported to the Highways Authority for repair as it is considered unsafe.

2-17-16 Drone policy.

In preparation. To be reviewed at the next meeting.

2-17-17 Village maintenance day.

Discussion took place regarding the impact of weather and coronavirus restrictions on holding a village maintenance day in the spring.

Resolved: That a date, probably mid-May, and suggested tasks, should be reviewed again at the next meeting in light of the prevailing conditions.

2-17-18 20 mph speed limits for Derbyshire.

A request for support from the campaign organisation “20’s plenty for Derbyshire” was reviewed.

Resolved: To respond that the Council wished to pledge its support.

L Coyne offered to contact them to accept an invitation to attend their next Zoom meeting.

2-17-19 Local Projects fund.

The Council has been invited to apply for a grant from this fund, which is administered by Derbyshire Dales Local Council.

Resolved: That the Clerk should seek to secure a contribution towards the balance of the cost of the replacement defibrillators. (ref item 2-17-14)

2-17-20 Correspondence and communication.

items not covered elsewhere

1. Support for wild flower planting.
2. Availability of sandbags.
3. Boundaries commission. Consultation.
4. DDDC. Green man and Black’s Head Gallows sign consultation.
5. DDDC. Review of licencing policy. Consultation.
6. DDDC. Waste collection update. X 16.
7. DDDC. Flood issues. X 4.
8. DDC. Health Apps library.
9. DCC. Community newsletter.
10. DCC. Covid campaign. Facts not fiction.
11. DALC. Newsletter.
12. DALC. Accounting Webinar.
13. DALC. Training Courses.
14. DALC. Notes on playgrounds meeting.
15. DALC. Notes from clerks’ and Chairs’ forums.

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16. DALC. Funding bulletin.
17. Police & Crime Commissioner. Vulnerability Grant.
18. Police & Crime Commissioner. Rural Safety.
19. PDNPA. Parish Bulletin.
20. Rural Services Network. Bulletin. x 4
21. Rural Services Network. Funding Digest. x 1
22. Rural Action Derbyshire. 100-year celebration.
23. Census.gov. Update.
24. Citizens Advice. Coronavirus Impact Report.
25. On-line arthritis support.
26. Playforce. Playground equipment. x 2.
27. Net zero government. Webinars.
28. Institute of Government and public policy. Conference.
29. IDOX group. Grant consultancy. X 2
30. British Gas. Electric vehicle charging.
31. Plantscape. Festive lighting.
32. Creative Play. Play equipment. x 1
33. Glasdon UK. Street furniture. X 2
34. BHIB Councils insurance. Accounting advice.
35. Mortisport & Play. Outside gyms.
36. Charities buying group. Covid supplies. X 2
37. Govlaunch. Innovation Projects.
38. Live and Local. Arts promotion.
39. Ice watch. Gritting services.
40. What three words.

2-17-21 Items for the next agenda.

No new items noted.

2-17-22 Date of next meeting.

The next Parish Council meeting will be on Wednesday 17th March 2021 at 7:30pm. This will be using Zoom video conferencing unless lockdown restrictions have been eased to allow face to face meetings.

The meeting was closed at 21:10 pm.

A Martin
Clerk to Parwich Parish Council
18 February 2021