

HOLMESFIELD PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 8 May 2024
At 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Present: Councillors Mr B Wheat (Chairman), Mr B Hoare, Mr W Rosser, Mrs H Stuart-Bamford
 Also Present: Mrs E Boswell – Clerk to the Council and Responsible Financial Officer,
 One member of the public

1/24-25 Election of Chairman 2024/2025

Proposed by Councillor Hoare, seconded by Councillor Stuart Bamford to elect Councillor Wheat as Chairman, no other nominations were received.

Resolved: To re-elect Councillor Wheat as Chairman

2/24-25 Election of Vice-Chairman 2024/2025

Resolved: To defer to next meeting

3/24-25 To receive apologies for absence

Councillors Dr M Blagden, Mrs C Huckerby Mr T Marples, Mr P Reaney, Mrs S Reaney.

4/24-25 Declaration of members' interests on agenda items

None

Dispensations on member's interests on agenda items

None

5/24-25 Public Speaking

(a) Members of the public

None

(b) Police Report / District Councillor / County Councillor

Apologies received from PCSO Johnathan Flower and District Councillor Pam Jones

The written police report includes three crimes. Members of the public are able to access the crime figures via a weblink which will be included in the newsletter.

Thank is given to those that volunteers that attended the last speed watch session, the data from these helps provide information to prioritise speeding in the parish,

May is National Knife Crime Campaign Month and a knife sweep will take place on the Play ground on Monday 13 May between 12noon and 1.00pm.

6/24-25 Appointments and Portfolios

Councillor M Blagden – Transport and Village Hall

Councillor B Hoare – Village Society and Playground

Councillor C Huckerby – NEDDC Liaison, Penny Acres, Holmesfield Relief in Need and Holmesfield Education Foundation Charities

Councillor TMarples – Football Field, Neighbourhood Watch and Police Liaison

Councillor P Reaney – Road Safety, Footpaths and Bridleways and Henry Fanshaw Foundation

Councillor S Reaney – Peak Park and Dronfield Relief in Need Charity

Councillor W Rosser – Environmental Issues

Councillor H Stuart-Bamford – Book Swap

Councillor B Wheat – Planning, Newsletter and Holmesfield Amenity Trust.

7/24-25 Power of Competence

The Council assessed the eligibility for the General Power of Competence

Resolved: That the Council meets the eligibility criteria.

Resolved: To adopt the General Power of Competence.

8/24-25 Annual Review of Governing Documents

Standing Orders

Resolved: To make no changes to the document.

Financial Regulations

Resolved: To make no changes to the document.

9/24-25 Minutes

Minutes of the Meeting held on 10 April 2024

Resolved: To approve the Minutes for signature by the Chairman.

10/24-25 Planning**Applications Received**

24/00283/FL – Mr N Horsley – Springwood Farm, Cowley Lane, Holmesfield – Proposed retention of Change of use of former agricultural buildings to class B8 the storage of vehicles and garden centre goods.

Resolved: To raise no objection

Decisions

24/00165/FLH – Mr A Cutts – Outspan, Millthorpe Lane, Holmesfield - Proposed single storey rear and side extension & renovation to dwelling with roof lights also including widening the access from the highway improving visibility - GRANTED

Appeal

NED/23/00300/FL – Mr N Havenhand – Greenfield Cottage, Cowley Lane, Holmesfield – Appeal against NEDDC refusal to grant permission for change of use of land for keeping of horses, erection of timber frame stable block on a concrete base, plus solar panels on roof (affecting a public right of way) (Major Development) (Amended Plan)

Resolved: To note receipt.

Other planning matters

A meeting has been arranged with the Chairman, Clerk and the new Assistant Directors for Street Scene and Planning.

The issue raised by a member of the public with regards to 23/00754/LDC has been clarified that works with stone are to allow access to vehicles whilst approved works are taking place. The land will be reinstated and the existing access will be blocked for security once works are completed.

11/24-25 Meeting Reports

None

12/24-25 Councillors' Reports

(a) Village Society – There is some interest in arranging a litter pick. The contact details at NEDDC have been passed on.

(b) Book Swap – The telephone box has been cleared of fly-stickers and tidied, some new signage is to be designed. The two replacement benches have been installed at Millthorpe and are being well used.

(c) Playground – The painting has been undertaken at the play area. The works look good, there has been some concern over the roof of the shelter, which now has a lifespan of approximately five years.

The no dog signs for the play area have been installed.

The application for the climbing wall has been submitted to Awards for All, in total 26 letters of support were received.

Resolved: To note

(d) Road Safety Issues – The Clerk has again contacted Derbyshire County Council regarding the hedge on Main Road Holmesfield; also Councillor P Reaney has contacted the Police as a vehicle was parked on the pavement, adjacent to the overgrown hedge, making it difficult to pass with a pushchair.

The hedge at Millthorpe has still not been cut, the owner of the public house will be contacted for assistance.

The road surface of Horsleygate Lane has been reported as eroded down to sub base in a number of locations and the gully on the B6054 opposite the junction to Horsleygate Lane has again been reported as blocked.

We have today received notification that the licence will be granted for the speed indicator device at three locations in the village.

Resolved: To check the locations and contact the SID supply company.

(e) Footpaths – Reported that the resident’s letter regarding issues with the footpath from Carpenter House to Rose Hill and the safety bars at The Ford on Mill Lane have been passed to Derbyshire Council Council.

(f) Newsletter & Website – No report

(g) Transport – No report

(h) Football Pitch – The Clerk has notified the Football Club about the correspondence received from Fisher German regarding the proposed pipeline from Hathersage to Worksop. Fisher German have been asked for details of the route through the Parish and the time scale of works. This is not yet available.

(i) Peak Park – An update was requested from PDNPA, it would seem that no progress has been made.

Resolved: To send a letter to Lee Rowley MP to see if he can offer assistance to expedite the matter.

(j) Neighbourhood Watch – No report.

(k) Environment – Bench on The Crescent – to defer to next meeting

(l) Village Hall – The ivy has been dealt with.

There has been a report of an incident of a resident harassing users of the Village Hall. The complainants were advised to report this and any future incidents to the Police, which they have done along with a number of witness reports. We understand that the Police are taking this matter very seriously.

13/24-25 Finance

(a) Internal Audit Report

The Clerk reported that the records had been through examination by the Internal Auditor. The report does not raise any items of concern.

Resolved: To note receipt of the Internal Audit Report

(b) Annual Governance Statement

The Council considered and completed the Annual Governance Statement.

Resolved: That yes should be answered to questions 1 to 8 and that question 9 was not applicable.

Resolved: That the Chairman sign the Annual Governance Statement

(c) Annual Return 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024

The Council considered the completed Accounting Statement

Resolved: To approve the Statement and for the Chairman to sign the document

(d) Balances at 30 April 2024

Business High Interest Account: £47521.71; Bonus Saver Account: £15492.25

(e) Income April 2024

Hall Hire	£1595.27
Adverts	£160.00
Precept	£22,500.00
HMRC VAT Refund	£955.34

Interest £66.92

(f) Expenditure May 2024

Business Stream – Water	DD	£31.91
EDF – Gas	DD	£1186.69
Water Plus – Water	DD	£13.58
East Midlands Audit Services Ltd – Internal Audit	BACS	£105.00
No Butts Bin Company Ltd – Benches x 2	BACS	£1043.52
Peak Park Parishes Forum – Subscription	BACS	£6.00
Pynot Publishing – Newsletter	BACS	£285.00
Whittington Moor Printing Works Ltd – Newsletter	BACS	£503.00
S Hewins – Grounds Maintenance	BACS	£710.00
S17 Decorators – Playground Works	BACS	£2656.00
Wages	BACS	£2248.09
HMRC – PAYE and NIC	BACS	£529.54
Nest Pensions – Pension	DD	£105.29

Resolved: To accept all the above accounts for payment

14/24-25 Circulars and Notices

Derbyshire Association of Local Councils

- DALC Roadshows
- Training Update
- April Newsletter

Derbyshire County Council

- Flood Wardens
- Temporary 40 mph / 30 mph speed limit at Owlbar Interchange on 16th July 2024 to 16th July 2024 09:30 to 15:30 - to facilitate highway maintenance works.

North East Derbyshire District Council

- Chairs Charity Appeal for Funds
- No Mow May
- Sunday Luncheon at Barlow Woodseats Hall – 12 May 2024
- Chairman's Charity Golf Day in Aid of Ashgate Hospice - 16 May 2024
- Make April a month to remember! – Various Events for Chairman's Appeal
- Brass Band Bonanza – an evening with Ireland Colliery Chesterfield Brass Band
- Civic Service - Sunday 28 April 2024

Peak District National Park Authority

- Celebrating 70 years of Peak District rangers
- Nominate your National Park heroes
- Celebrating volunteers in the Peak District National Park

Police and Crime Commissioner

- Councillor Briefing - Delivery of the Police and Crime Plan

15/24-25 Information

None

16/24-25 Date of Next Meetings

Wednesday 12 June 2024

The meeting closed at 8.28pm

Chairman.....12 June 2024