# MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 20 OCTOBER 2020

Present: Councillors Raynes, Strange, Hopkinson, Neville, Smith, Taylor &

**Toplis** 

Also present: 2 Membersof the Public,

#### 49/2021 APOLOGIES

Councillors Gray, Lane

# **50/2021 VARIATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS** & **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr Neville declared an interest in planning applications 20/00037/FUL Hybrid Planning App Land at Thatchers Croft, & 20/00567/FUL & 20/00565/FUL 13 & 11 Oak Tree Gardens respectively, and would leave the meeting when these items are discussed.

The Chair wished to include on the agenda Church Street speeding traffic, Change of use of premises within the village to Business use.

#### 51/2021 REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION FROM MEMBERS

There were no requests for dispensation.

# 52/2021 PUBLIC PARTIPICATION - MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, POLICE, COUNTY OR DISTRICT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE 52.2021.1 PUBLIC SPEAKING

There is concern regarding parked vehicles at the bottom of Church Street/junction A615. The Parish Council have looked at the installation of yellow lines previously, all this will do is push the vehicles further into the village where the highway is narrower.

Cllr Hughes reported that Matlock Town Council were going to lead an initiative to help Town & Parish Councils' deal with traffic issues. The Parish Council would wish to be involved with this. The Parish Council would write to DALC to express the wish to be involved.

#### **52.2021.2 POLICE MATTERS**

None

# 52.2021.3 COUNTY COUNCIL OR DISTRICT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

Cllrs Burfoot and Flitter sent their apologies with the assurances that the Parish Council could email the Councillors with any issues to be dealt with.

#### 53/2021 MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL

The Minutes of full council held 15 September 2020 were received.

#### 54/2021 EXCLUSIONS

There were no exclusions

#### 55/2021 COMMUNITY HALL

**55.2021.1** The boiler in the hall has broken down, two quotes have been sought from Premier Gas & Peak Installations, the cost of replacement (the new boiler will be housed downstairs) and upgrade of the heating system will be in the region of £4500. A discussion was held regarding the replacement.

**RESOLVED:** that the Community Hall Committee should make the final decision on which quote to accept, and that the Parish Council will commit £4000 to this, using £3000 from the reserve account.

## **56/2021 PLANNING MATTERS**

#### **56.2021.1 Planning Applications for Consideration:**

**20/**00848/FUL Single storey side and rear extensions and extension to front porch at Fyfield Church Street Tansley – no objections

20/00037/FUL Land Off Thatchers Croft Thatchers Lane Tansley Derbyshire Hybrid planning application comprising of a full application for the erection of 2no. dwellinghouses and a outline planning application for the erection of 17no. dwellinghouses with approval being sought for access, layout, scale and landscaping -The Parish Council STONGLY OBJECT to this application for the following reasons:

it is not clear what the application is actually for, there is full application for the two dwellings, but the rest of the application is slightly ambiguous in that there is outline planning application for 17 dwelling houses but is the approval for the access, layout, scale and landscaping full planning or outline, this is not clear.

In the original application DCC said that there should be no access onto Thatchers Lane, within this new application there are 3 accesses planned, which is onto a narrow road. Within the original application in 2016 the social housing have space but now they look just like a row of terraced houses with car parking immediately to the front of the properties and very small rear gardens.

This application has two properties backing onto the 'green corridor' which is unacceptable, this should be retained, a dwelling is to be built on garden land, 'garden grabbing' and is within very near proximity of Ash Cottage,

The DCC Flood Team have refused the planning application, a Flood Assessment has not been carried out, neither as a number of other assessments, including an Arboricultural one.

There is not adequate turning space for larger service vehicles, these then have to back out onto Thatchers Lane which is extremely narrow, making this a very dangerous planned manoeuvre.

Parts of Thatchers Lane and the Footway are privately owned.

20/00567/FUL Retention of dwelling and associated curtilage as built (modifications to planning permission 16/00779/FUL – Plot 2) at High View 13 Oak Tree Gardens Tansley - The Parish Council object to this application, it should have been made prior to any works being carried out, rather than retrospectively, the garden area is quite clearly in place now, also we do question whether the drainage system has been signed off by yourselves also, the windows have been changed since planning was approved, so this would appear to be 'normal practice' at this property

20/00565/FUL Retention of dwelling and associated curtilage as built (modifications to planning permission 16/00779/FUL – Plot1) at 11 Oak Tree Gardens Tansley - The Parish Council object, this application should have been made prior to any works being carried out, rather than retrospectively, the garden area is clearly delineated, there are also questions regarding the completion of the drainage system at this property.

#### **56.2021.2 Planning Decisions:**

20/00819/FUL First floor extension to garage at 6 Thatchers Lane, Tansley – permitted with conditions

20/00768/FUL Installation of external wall insulation at 8 Mais Close, Tansley – permitted with conditions

20/00727/FUL First floor extension to the side elevation and single storey extension to the rear elevation at 45 Riber View Close, Tansley – permitted with conditions

20/00314/AGR Erection of two polytunnels and a barn for storage at Whitelea Nursery Whitelea Lane Tansley – prior approval not required

#### 57/2021 TRAVELLERS SITE AT KNABB HALL LANE

The Parish Council have spent Parish Council general fund so far, there have been a number of cheques and anonymous donations as well as the Just Giving page.

A legal letter will be sent to DDDC next week as the letter of complaint from the Parish Council was replied to by the Chief Executive with a generic reply which did not fully respond to the points raised.

The Enclosures Award Act has never been repealed. The Town & Country Planning Act has not been followed, DDDC did not carry out any site assessment. The travellers may only be using the site in summertime due to weather conditions at Knabb Hall. The MP Sarah Dines was going to write to DDDC but had not yet done so.

**RESOLVED:** that the Parish Council write to the Ombudsman to escalate the complaint, with the help of Councillor Hughes and a well informed resident. There may be a need to engage an expert planning consultant. Contact the Traveller Liaison Officer.

#### **58/2021 HEATHY LEA**

Progress is very slow.

**RESOLVED:** To write to DDDC to find out what progress is being made.

#### 59/2021 ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

#### **59.2021.1** Overhanging vegetation Church Street

The Clerk had dropped letters in to 8 properties along Nottingham Road and Church Street requesting that they cut the overhanging vegetation.

#### 59.2021.2 Community Help

The Chair would contact the group regarding suitable tasks.

#### 60/2021 HIGHWAY ISSUES

**60.2021.1 Speeding traffic in the village –** contact DCC to carry out an assessment on Thurs & Sunday nights on the A615.

**60.2021.2 Change of use to business** – there are a couple of properties that have not applied for planning change of use - one is domestic that may be being used as a garage without planning, the other is a commercial property that maybe used for selling cars.

#### 61/2021 FETE FIELD/HEATHY LEA

### 61.2021.1 Storage of Mower

Cllr Toplis provided a quotation for the mower store, which is in the region of £8400.

RESOLVED; that the Parish Council would finance up to £1700 if absolutely necessary.

#### 61.2021.2 Hedge Cutting

A contractor should be carrying out the hedge cutting very soon.

#### 61.2021.3 Width of footpath & size of pitch

Cllr Toplis assured the meeting that although the size of the pitch had slightly altered the footpath was still 1 metre wide, as it should be.

#### **62/2021 NEW PLAY AREA**

The Thank You Signage and new furniture is now in place.

#### 63/2021 THE PINFOLD

Still awaiting details from DDDC.

#### 64/2021 THE ROPEWALK

# **64.2021.1 Proposed improvements**

The work has been awarded to D Smith, who assured the meeting that the work would commence in November.

# 64.2021.2 Flytipping

Photographs have been sent of various items of flytipping, a gate, rubble etc. **RESOLVED:** 

To report these to DCC and DDDC as it is encroaching on a footpath.

#### **65/2021 DALC Circulars and correspondence**

# 66/2021 FINANCE 66.2021.1 Accounts Paid

Date	Cheque No	Particulars	Amount £
15.9.2020	00021 (Lloyds)	A Varkalis (install of gates Heathy Lea)	742.2
15.9.2020	00022 (Lloyds)	Derbyshire Legal Services (Lovedaystravellers)	483.00
15.9.2020	00023 (Lloyds)	S A Leighton (sal 170.40, post 9.12)	179.12
15.9.2020	00024 (Lloyds)	D Wheatcroft (mowing)	210.00
15.9.2020	00025 (Lloyds)	V Raynes (reimburse leaflet costs)	120.00
15.9.2020	00026 (Lloyds)	DALC (subscription)	494.60

**66.2021.2 Income Received** Various (Just Giving Cash & Cheques) £440.00 Just Giving Fund Raising Page £3,730

#### **66.2021.3 Bank Reconciliation & Accounts** were received

**66.2021.3.1.** Request for donation towards the annual service of the Church Clock (£150.00 total) by Holy Trinity Church.

**RESOLVED:** To award a grant of £100.00

# **66.3021.4 GDPR** nothing to report

#### **CONFIDENTIAL SESSION**