

## CALVER PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Council Meeting held at the Village Hall, Calver on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> September, 2015 at 7pm.**

### **Present:**

Councillors Jonathan Harris (Chairman), Judith Canty, Beatrice Carman, Marlene Denton, John Hearnshaw, Pat Howard, and Patricia Wootton.

### **Also in Attendance:**

Simon Oldham (Clerk), Councillor Kath Potter (PDNPA) and four members of the public in attendance.

**Apologies:** Councillor Ron Marshall and John Tibenham (DDDC Ward Member) .

### **2015.124 Declaration of Members Interests & Requests for any Dispensations.**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **2015.125 To Consider Motions for the Variation of Business.**

**RESOLVED** to bring forward item 9(c) Stoney and Calver Youth Group - Section 137 Grant Application to enable Mr Scothern from the Project to speak to the Council within the next agenda item under Public Speaking.

### **2015.126 Public Speaking.**

Mr Scothern from Stoney and Calver Youth Project spoke in support of his grant application and outlined background information relating to the project, its activities and relocation to the Village Hall having outgrown the Stoney Chapel premises with attendees now exceeding 15 individuals. He outlined that any support that the Parish Council might offer would be greatly appreciated. The Council thanked Mr Scothern and advised that it would reach a determination under the "Finance" agenda item to be considered later during the meeting and advise him accordingly via the Clerk.

Councillor Kath Potter (PDNPA) advised that the Rutland Arms planning application in Baslow had recently gained approval although this may be subject to call-in by the Secretary of State. She also informed that Parishes Day was to take place on 3/10/15 at Aldern House, Bakewell and the issue of serious concerns regarding cycling events in the Peak resulting in road closures being instigated at very short notice was creating significant ill feeling. As the infrastructure was not really in place and roads were becoming snarled up, this had resulted in a letter of complaint received from Castleton Parish Council which was likely to be considered further at the Parishes Day event.

A local parishioner and owner of a local business adjacent the planning application site on Hassop Road for demolition of the shed and replacement with office accommodation, spoke against the development and urged the Council to object. She was concerned over parking to support the development and fears re on-street parking outside which would impact her business. She felt that the proposed arrangement for parking at the

Sports Association ground was unrealistic and would generate more on-street parking directly outside. The Sports Association was a private organisation and any Club Officials could change over time and lead to a potential to retract of permission for parking on their premises. A condition if possible limiting on-street parking would be desirable. In addition, she advised that the main sewer ran through the middle of the main (Hassop Road) and would cause severe disruption for the development, if approved to connect in to it. She concluded by informing that the guttering soakaway on the plans indicated that this would flow in to her garden.

A local parishioner spoke expressing her dissatisfaction and concerns over HGV's turning the corner off the A623 and entering Donkey Lane outside her property and going over the grassed curtilage which was a severe hazard and as the road had no pavements on either side, was a real issue of safety for people walking especially with mobility buggies as there was nowhere to go to avoid them. The HGV's used this route to access the Spar shop for deliveries. She urged the Council to lobby for signs to be displayed "Unsuitable for HGV's". The Council agreed to schedule this matter for further consideration at its next meeting.

#### **2015.127 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting – 23<sup>rd</sup> July, 2015.**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes be signed as a correct record.

#### **2015.128 Chairman's Announcements.**

The Chairman announced that (1) he had placed an item/photograph in the LINK magazine recently in respect of Councillor Marlene Denton's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday. The Council formally expressed their best wishes to her on reaching this milestone (2) that he had received a letter of thanks from Cate Hunt following the award of grant funding by the Council, approved at the last meeting (3) whilst the Longstone Edge Public Inquiry was scheduled for January 2016, this was unlikely to take longer than a day or two as the Stop Order was progressing and quarrying would in all likelihood come to an end in the near future (4) correspondence he had been copied in to from local residents very unhappy regarding the outcome of the Planning approval a year or so ago for a stables block erected at a property at the top of Main Street in which access issues of horse boxes and feed delivery vehicles were causing significant inconvenience because of the very limited access. It was likely that a civil action may be progressed as a result. The Council requested that the associated highway access impact off Main Street, in Well Green, be the subject of further considerations at the next meeting of the Council under the "Highways" agenda item.

#### **2015.129 Progressing development of the new Website.**

**RESOLVED** to note that work on the website was progressing, a meeting to look further at scope and associated issues would be held between the Chairman and Councillors Hearnshaw and Marshall as soon as practicable with a view to enhancing the site with a view to going live early in the new year to allow for adequate transfer of documentation from the existing site and appropriate quality control. In light of this, approval be given to renew the web hosting arrangements for the existing site, with Vividfish Ltd which was due for renewal at the end of September.

### 2015.130 Publicity.

Nothing to report.

### 2015.131 Derbyshire Association of Local Council's Circulars.

**RESOLVED** (1) to note that the Clerk had previously circulated:-

1	DALC 19/2015	The General Power of Competence; Call for Executive Members for the period 2015-2019; LAIS Local Associations Information Service
2	DALC 20/2015	Transparency code for smaller authorities; NALC Picked to lead sector-led audit team; Legal Updates and Guidance Notes; Community control agenda charged up parish power; Funds to protect World War One memorials revealed; Health Assessing Potential Employees; Derbyshire County Council Community Transport Consultation
3	DALC 21/2015	DALC Annual Executive & AGM – Chesterfield Football Club – 10 November 2015 – Outline Agenda; Nominations for DALC President and Vice Presidents 2015 – 2016; Motions for debate
4	DALC 22/2015	Allotments – Cultivating Your Approach; Finance – Basics, Budgets and Precepts Employment of the Clerk and Council staff, and Health and Safety Legislation; Code of Conduct – A Review; The Dark Arts – Minutes and Procedures; How Local Councils can be more effective on line; Auto Enrolment

(2) that the Clerk be requested to provide further information to a future meeting on the scope that the General Power of Competence might offer the Council, given that the two qualifying criteria were now being met, in order that the Council could consider further whether it wished to pass the necessary resolution to be able to exercise the power

(3) Question from DALC re support provided, that the Clerk respond accordingly with his perceptions of the support that DALC offered.

### 2015.132 Finance.

**RESOLVED** that (1) Approval be given for Accounts for payment as follows:-

Simon Oldham £492.14 re Clerk duties July & August 2015;

HMRC £114.00 re PAYE re July & August;

Village Hall, Calver £15.00 re room hire July meeting;

Shelter Maintenance Limited £40.08 re shelter cleaning – July and

Vividfish Ltd £90.00 re annual website hosting.

(2) Approval be given to the monthly financial report provided by the Clerk.

(3) Approval be given for the award of a grant in the sum of £200.00 to Stoney and Calver Youth Project in respect of their S137 Grant Application.

### **2015.133 Planning**

**RESOLVED** that (1) Application Consultation - NP/DDD/0815/0782, Main Road, Hassop Road, Calver Sough, Demolition of existing shed and replace with single storey office block, **SERIOUS RESERVATIONS** be raised on the following grounds:-

- Parking – it is highly unlikely that the proposed parking arrangement to support this development at the Calver Sports Association ground would be utilised in view of its distance away from the development which would involve crossing two main roads, resulting in it being highly likely that individuals would either park closer either on the Main road directly outside the development or across the road on Sough Lane which already impacts on local residents with the problems associated with parking for access to the Spar shop at Calver crossroads. For this reason, the Council believe the parking provisions to be inadequate and highly unsatisfactory
- Is there really an identifiable need for more office accommodation in Calver
- The application form for this development states the designated use is for “B1(c) light industrial use” which appears contrary to the intended use as office accommodation and needs to be clarified

(2) to note the following decision notices :-

(a) NP/DDD/0515/0490 - Single storey rear extension, Mayfield, Cross Lane, Calver (Granted conditionally)

(b) NP/DDD/0515/0444 - Alterations and extensions to existing cottage, to form additional bedroom, first floor bathroom and lounge, Old Stones Cottage, High Street, Calver (Granted conditionally).

### **2015.134 Representatives' Reports**

**RESOLVED** that:-

(a) Burial Committee – Councillor Marlene Denton reported on the meeting held on 9/9/15. The new tenants of the Coach House had moved into Curbar village and the Coach House would now be available to let. The new owners would be asked to make known the right of way to any future tenants. An estimate had been received to de-grade the incline on the right of way but in view of the cost, a further quote was being pursued from Winston Thorpe. The bank balance stood at £4193.00 after payments and the Parishes precept was expected before the next meeting on 2/12/15. A new bench was proposed for the burial ground, the Committee looked at various options and determined to purchase one at £495.00 including base and fitting, from Blueton Ltd.

(b) Village Hall Committee – AGM Minutes 3/8/15 be noted.

(c) Footpaths Liaison – to note that a parishioner enquiry about a barbed wired stile upon further enquiries having been made, was actually located within the Baslow & Bubnell Parish and that in relation to overgrown foliage at a footpath leading away from the top of Councillor Wootton's top of her garden, that Councillor Howard would raise this matter with Mr Lownds and ask him to address it.

(d) Calver Weir – no recent meeting.

### **2015.135 Highways**

Nothing to report.

**2015.136 Outstanding Issues**

**RESOLVED** that (a) Notice board relocation – that the board would be collected by the Chairman from Councillor Canty’s premises for temporary storage within an allotment garden.

(b) Taking forward preparations for re-instigating the Christmas tree erection at Calver Cross & e-mail enquiry from local parishioner – to NOTE that the Council’s insurers had confirmed that the policy provided adequate public liability cover to support the Christmas tree erection on the Calver Cross, that Councillor Howard had applied firstly for an unmetered power supply certificate and subject to this being granted, that secondly he would apply to an energy supplier for an account to be billed for the associated power supply this coming Christmas time and that in the event of any problems being encountered with the granting of the certificate, that arrangements would be put in place to illuminate the tree by other means. The Clerk agreed to respond to the local parishioner’s e-mail enquiry to provide an update on these actions being taken to ensure the Christmas tree was re-introduced this year at the Cross.

(c) Sunnyside – Update from PDNPA re Windows compliance with planning rules – to NOTE that there had been a breach of planning rules and that PDNPA were to consider further whether or not to take enforcement action.

**2015.137 Information Items/Correspondence.**

**RESOLVED** (1) to note that the Clerk had previously circulated:-

1	DCC	Community Transport Consultation
2	DCC	Grit Bin Re-filling
3	DCC	Temporary Road Closure – New Bridge, Calver
4	DCC	Winter Snow Warden Scheme
5	DDDC	Northern Area Forum July - Minutes
6	Derbyshire Cycling Plan Strategic Group	Draft Cycling Strategy
7	PPPF	AGM 3/10/15
8	PPPF	Summer Newsletter
9	Severn Trent Water	Ladybower reservoir drawdown
10	DDDC	Road Closures - Aviva Tour of Britain Cycle Race 11/9/15
11	DDDC	Parish Council Election Recharges
12	PDNPA	Parishes Day 3/10/15
13	Chequers Inn	Speed Checks
14	DDDC	Notice of Election 24/9/15 County Council Vacancy

(2) the Clerk be requested to confirm with DCC the Council’s continued participation in the Winter Service Scheme for the forthcoming winter.

**2015.138 Date of Next Meeting.**

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October, 2015 at 7pm in the Village Hall.