

GLAPWELL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting of Glapwell Parish Council held on Thursday 21 May 2015 At the Glapwell Centre

Present:

Joan Evans	Clive Fleetwood
Rachel Hibbert	Jackie Hole
John Jepson	Sue Pilgrim
Tony Trafford (Chair)	

Also in attendance - Sue O'Donnell, Councillor C Moesby, Councillor A Syrett

44/15 Apologies for Absence – None

45/05 Declarations of Interest - None

46/15 Public Forum

There were no members of the public present. The following issues were raised by members:

Memorial Garden – Jackie Hole reported that the area was very overgrown and needed attention. **It was agreed that quotations for the work be obtained by the clerk.**

Overgrown garden on Park Avenue – Jackie Hole asked for help in advising a local resident with her complaints about a neighbour's garden. She was advised to ring environmental health department at Bolsover District Council. Councillor Syrett confirmed that tenants of council properties had a responsibility to keep gardens clean and tidy.

47/15 Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 23 April 2015

The minutes were agreed as a correct record of the meeting and signed by the chair of the meeting.

48/15 Matters Arising

38/15 Traffic Survey – A response had been received from the Derbyshire County Council had been circulated to all members and also Frank Rodgers. Councillor Syrett confirmed that the report on the survey had been sent to Bolsover District Council earlier in the year and no further survey was planned.

40/15 Noticeboards- The clerk reported that quotations were being obtained.

49/14 Reports

Police – There was no report.

Tony Trafford reported that Sgt Gary Statham was leaving the area. Members expressed their concern that there was no consistent point of contact as officers

seemed to change rapidly. It was proposed that the clerk write to the Police Commissioner to express their concerns. **This was agreed.**

Derbyshire County Council – Councillor Moesby updated the Council about the installation of the ramp from the bus stop on The Hill. He confirmed that there was still a shortfall of funds to complete the work because of the cost of moving utilities from the site but he continued to press for the work to be carried out.

Bolsover District Council – Councillor Syrett provided information on the outcome of the recent elections and informed the Council that she had been elected as Leader of the Council. Members offered their congratulations.

Complaints about Bins – She had reported the concerns about the placement of bins after collection and members confirmed that there had been improvements in recent weeks.

The Glapwell Centre – John Jepson informed the Council that there had not been a meeting since March. The clerk reported that the problem with an alleged excessive use of water was still being investigated. She also reported that the playground had been inspected and a report would be available at the next meeting of the Council.

John Jepson asked for an update on the plans to replace the playground. Tony Trafford referred to the plans obtained by the Community Association in 2013 and that obtaining funding had held up the replacement. Jackie Hole referred to an announcement about a community grant available from ASDA. Rachel Hibbert agreed to raise the matter with members of the Community Development group to see if they were willing to make progress with the project.

Glapwell Sporting Association – Tony Trafford reported that the containers had now been removed and that a number of trees had been cleared.

50/15 Annual Audit Return

The Clerk circulated a report outlining the information required by the Annual Return. She read out the contents of the annual return including 1) the bank reconciliation from the Annual Statement of Accounts for 2014/15, 2) the Annual Governance Statement 3) Statement of Council Assets.

It was agreed that the statement circulated at the previous meeting was accurate and the bank reconciliation provided in the audit return was confirmed.

Annual Governance Statement – The statements were confirmed.

Statement of Council Assets – It was noted that it was necessary to undertake a revaluation of the Council's assets as a matter of urgency. The current estimates were included in the annual audit return.

It was agreed that the contents were accurate and the document was signed by the Chair and clerk for submission, along with report from the internal auditor. It was noted that the relevant accounts and documents

of the Council had been made available to the public for the statutory period of two weeks.

51/15 Finance

Monthly Finance Summary for April 2015 – The information provided was considered and it was agreed to make the following payments.

Cheques		Direct Debits	
36.00	TillPoint	187.20	PAGEKIRK
196.02	DCC Pensions	291.82	PAYE/NI
92.00	J Butler	2592.80	Salaries
44.18	DWP	124.20	BT Payments**
490.00	Dagger Creative Media	41.96	BT Payments
122.80	Payne and Pike		
342.29	Overton's		

The following issues were referred from the Finance Committee
Payments to BT – It was noted that bills were increasing. It was recommended that the bills be scrutinised and if necessary an alternative provided identified. **This was agreed.**

Pay Rise – As part of the budget discussions it had been identified that there had been no increase in staff wages since 2011. It was proposed that an increase of 2.2% be applied for all staff. **This was agreed.**

Future of Bar – As part of an ongoing review of the operation of The Glapwell Centre the future of the bar was discussed. Members were reminded that the bar had been closed in August 2014 because of continuing concerns about profitability and declining use. It was recommended that the bar remained closed. **This was agreed.**

52/15 Planning - There were no planning matters.

53/15 Correspondence

	DCC County Rider Scheme	Circulated
BY EMAIL		
04/05/15	Rayne Against School Transport Cuts	Noted
06/05/15	Glapwell CC – Update on Vandalism of Gate	Noted
10/05/05	NALC Briefing – Co-option	Noted
12/05/15	DCC Response to Letter re. A617 Traffic and Safety	Discussed at item 48/15

54/15 Date of Next Meeting

Annual Parish Meeting on Thursday 25th June at 7.00pm followed by Parish Council Meeting at 8.00pm

Sue O'Donnell
25/05/15