

Glapwell Parish Council
Zoom Council Meeting
July 23rd 2020

Present: Tony Trafford, Clive Fleetwood, David Clough, Tricia Clough, Keith Woollen, Chris Mellard-Sibley, Nicki Senior (Clerk). John Marriott (RFO)

Agenda Item
40/20 Apologies for absence None
41/20 Declarations of interest None
42/20 Public Forum
<p>MOP 1 – What I am wanting to ask is what can be done on Back Lane to stop the excess traffic coming through at dangerous speeds? They show no consideration for pedestrians on this single-track road. Far too busy and is a rat run to get to Bolsover or to get to Chesterfield. It's been made worse as its been put in the recent building plans as access. Can something be done? Possibly bollards or barriers? to put it for pinfold and back lane.</p> <p>Cllr Trafford - We objected to this in relation to the new building plan and made a strong case but was overruled. We have contacted highways at County with again little success in getting them to provide counter measures. We are aware of the dangers of there being no pavement. It is particularly hard to get money out of anyone. We looked at blocking one end but that would take agreement of all public who live in that area and requires us to persuade those with money to do that. We also talked about a roundabout at Pinfold to slow down traffic or a one-way gate but not had any uptake from highways on that now. We really need a collective agreement with residents, and we could take it forward. Council is very frustrated that we don't have the money to do anything about it.</p> <p>MOP 1 - All residents are in agreement that something needs to be done and done as soon as possible and in agreement with anything e.g. a system where snowdrop farm get access where the nurse is and residents go out other way which would stop others coming through.</p> <p>Cllr Trafford – We are going to take forward the idea of neighbourhood planning and write in that the way of controlling the traffic. Then these planning issues can be taken into account with regards to the new development. It would be a way of squeezing money out. At the moment apart from us complaining on your behalf there is no chance of resolving this quickly.</p> <p>MOP 1 - If residents were prepared to pay would it be better?</p> <p>Cllr. Trafford – Yes that would be a good start although highways would need to be in agreement and that would give us more power.</p> <p>MOP 1 – Are there powers to enforce to be access only?</p> <p>Cllr. Trafford – We have spoken to the police and they have said frankly in this climate and with police numbers there is no manpower to stop people and question why they are there. It's disappointing but understandable.</p> <p>MOP 1 - People are fed up and want to stop the traffic as they enter the road and ask where they are going and getting registration numbers. But we do not know whether it is legal or not?</p>

Cllr. Trafford – Providing you are not obstructing it's not an offence. But you could ask the community police if there is any offence in doing that and ask if you can do it. If you check in advance and then police are called out, you are in the clear. They would give you guidelines on what you can do.

Cllr. Clough - Cllr Clough gave apologies for not having yet written to Nick Knowles. Cllr Clough has been in touch with Chris and this links in. An agreed plan would help in leveraging money for parking and traffic and gaining inclusion in counties capital. Cllr. Clough advised that Cllr Clive Moesby is the one who residents need to talk to. She advised that when residents write make sure you've visited everyone and get your options sorted and what you would like. In another part of the district tarmacking ground comes in at 10k so these don't come cheap. Put something together and cc in the parish council.

MOP 2 - Park Avenue residents are working hard. Application for the village green got signed off by a solicitor but we need support. We've 450 signatures from the village we need more support from local community groups. Is there anything you can recommend?

Cllr. Trafford – Successfully registered as a community asset. Doesn't give a lot of protection in any sense if land is for sale it gives a waiting period during which local community could purchase it themselves at the price already discussed. But it gives protection that they can't sell willy nilly they have to match the commercial price.

MOP 2 – If it went up for sale and after the waiting period then can the other person say they will double the bid?

Cllr. Trafford - Nothing to prevent them doing so and would mean it would cost the other person more. Preparing a neighbourhood plan takes time and we can identify areas we want to preserve and develop and if we prepare that correctly that becomes part of the local plan and has some power but that will take a couple of years to achieve.

MOP 2 – Local MP is seeing us in August, he has suggested a peer review where the decision by Bolsover could be tested by another district council, but we are awaiting information on this. Would Cllr.s on the PC help on this as we are not familiar, and it would be helpful if we are peer reviewing. You select a local distract council and BDC have to approve it. Don't have anymore information on it but thought we could use it to look at the planning application?

Cllr. Trafford - We are treading new ground with these procedures.

MOP 2 – We are getting support and having meetings on the strip. Local resident don't want Park Avenue as access. So, our priority to stop park avenue being used as access.

Cllr. Trafford - We intend to keep on fighting.

MOP 2 – We have written to highways, but it has to come from planning authority. The planning call in knocked us back. Another current issue is where grass has been mown on the field and nesting skylarks are in situ. First we need to know where to go with that?

Cllr. Clough - Still waiting to hear on BDC response. The main person dealing with it is on leave and won't be back for a week. About purchasing the Ransom Strip, you might like to gauge the interest of people who don't live on Park Avenue. If they would be happy to have the precept raised. We could take out a 50-year loan. Because interest rates are low so possibly would have to match the amount asked for through a loan.

Cllr/ Trafford - Can we help anymore? We will support you as we can.

MOP 2 - Bat survey is another area as there are bats as we sit and watch them.

Cllr. Fleetwood - RSPB for nesting birds although they say it's a police matter. Derbyshire Wildlife Trust also said it is a police matter. Derbyshire bat trust have been sent information and not heard back. DWT Jackie spoke to them last week and they said police matter.

Cllr Clough - We now have a new head of planning at BDC and her name is Sarah Kay and she may be a useful link.

Cllr. Trafford - Get an incident number so it is a registered report.

43/20 Minutes of previous meeting July 2nd 2020 – Minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record. Proposed by Cllr. Fleetwood and seconded by Cllr. T Clough

44/20 Reports:

44/20/01 Police report – Still waiting to receive contact number for PC Barry Bacon's contact details. I put the following enquiries onto Tracey Bell:

- Crimes missing from statistics
- Specific incident at the young vanish involving armed police
- Speed gun training

These were passed these onto PCSO David Hancock who gave the following reply:

I don't see any reason why any crime would be left from the crime figures but I don't collate them so I'm not sure, the only Burglary I can find happened in the middle of March at Hardwick Hall and no others reported from 01/03/20-15/04/20 if this is the one it would not be on Glapwell's figures as it falls under Ault Hucknall Parish Council and not Glapwell. I cannot find any job relating to people with knives and loads of cops so this could be a social media rumour mill again.

Cllr T Cough – It is concerning that reports are going to social media before they reach the council and it would be good to have notification of what has been going on.

Cllr Trafford – We need to know before it hits social media. Can we approach the Police commissioner asking that there is no posting on social media before using the council as a conduit?

Clerk - There was no response regarding speed gun training, and I will follow up on this again.

44/20/02 County Councillor – No report

44/20/03 District Councillor

44/20/03/01 Traffic Calming on Back Lane - Covered in public forum

44/20/03/02 Manhole cover on the entry between The Green and Limetree has been reported and it is on their list it is going to be sorted by County.

45/20 Matters arising (excluding those covered elsewhere on the agenda)

45/20/01 Action Grants Derbyshire

Disappointed to report that we missed out on the grant by just one point. Action grants decided to award several small grants rather than fewer large ones and this went against us. However, it does show that the project is one that, in different circumstances, would be likely to gain funding.

Cllr Trafford – It was a good application and there are a number of funds including Derbyshire environmental trust which we may want to apply for using the same application.

45/20/02 Playground repairs

Still chasing quotes from two companies who keep quoting staff working part time or still furloughed. All I can do is keep pushing for them and approaching new companies.

45/20/03 Let's get things going grant

Cllr. Hibbert reported she had not had access to email. It was suggested to celebrate Glapwell in an event on Ransom Strip. Being outdoors would lessen covid risk and PC can ask for £1500 to celebrate and bring us all back together socially as a community after lockdown. Theme could be building confidence again. This would be the wording used for the application. Cllr Trafford offered to support the application.

Cllr. Clough reminded of the need to shop local. How wide is local?

Cllr. Fleetwood expressed disappointment with the received news flashes published by BDC. Dates on them often a few days to make a grant application which is unrealistic. Offering money but unrealistic timescales to put forward valid cases.

Clerk will send a letter to BDC Leader asking for longer lead in for grant funding.

45/20/04 Asbestos review

It has been a year since we had the asbestos report done and the company have now been in touch to see if we wanted a review to be carried out at the cost of £150.00 Not mandatory to do so but good practice.

It was unanimously decided to have the asbestos review done after the refurbishment.

45/20/05 Successful listing of Asset of Community Value

Cllr. Trafford reports that this is the only registration with BDC currently.

46/20 Finance Report

46/20/01 Payments for July

Date	Details			TOTAL	NET	VAT
01.07.20	BT	Mobile	29	£9.60	£8.00	£1.60
09.07.20	E-on	FG Gas	30	£9.23	£8.79	£0.44
31.07.20	Plusnet	B/Band & Phone	DD	£47.40	£47.40	£0.00
03.07.20	Opus	Hall Electricity	31	£92.17	£87.78	£4.39
01.07.20	Opus	Hall Gas	32	£45.63	£43.46	£2.17
17.07.20	Staff	Salaries	33	£3,491.49	£3,491.49	£0.00
17.07.20	HMRC	PAYE	33	£293.96	£293.96	£0.00
17.07.20	DCC	Staff Pension	33	£278.64	£278.64	£0.00

Additional payment to add – BDC dog bin collection £54.60 (£9.10 vat)

46/20/02 Budget Monitoring to 30/06/2020

RFO explained the figures were showing money the PC had at the beginning of year plus budgeted income less expenditure. Income includes first instalment of the precept, job retention payments, lettings for the centre and MUGA.

Reserves have been split for contingency between the Centre and football ground with £5000 in each and an additional £4000 for maintenance at the centre. This should cover opening for the centre but a lot of that is conditional on getting income otherwise the PC will be short of money. We do have funds, but we must be prudent. Other projects such as Christmas are conditional on earning income.

Cllr Trafford agreed the need to monitor the budget closely. And asked if it was known how much deviance there is in budget due to covid?

RFO said the biggest are is lack of income but everything else as is. It was predicted to have £8750 for lettings and we have £917 which is well down.

46/20/03 Power usage at ground update

RFO not had latest invoice but may turn up and will circulate

46/20/04 Paypal

Clerk and RFO had identified possible alternatives: SAGE or WorldPay.

Cllr Trafford agreed that if paypal can't work out we are a statutory authority and should move to another provider.

RFO - Originally acknowledged it was a local authority but previous Clerk made changes and that's where the confusion occurred.

Cllr. Fleetwood asked if we could use SLCC to see what others are using? Could we close it and reopen it as a local authority?

RFO explained we did this before but every time it's a different person who looks at the case.

Cllr Trafford agreed that as long as it was the same service where users log on pay with bank and credit card then perhaps sage and world pay would be viable provided no one has objections and it remains same experience for the user.

47/20 The Glapwell Centre

47/20/01 Update on refurbishment plans

Cllr Fleetwood - Plan is to start work on 27th July with redecoration works. We did receive an Email today seeking to renege on the agreement reached on February 27th. There was a question about use of kitchen by others and when pointed out they had sole use they didn't disagree and agreed to the replacement in its entirety but has now sought to challenge that. The council has pointed out its disingenuous to renegotiate at this stage and we insist work is done that was agreed on 27th Feb. Cllr. Fleetwood will continue to ensure agreed works are completed. Cllr. Fleetwood is also ensuring laptops and tables are replaces as agreed.

RFO reported they had queried the last invoices that had been sent to them as well.

47/20/02 Re-opening the centre – Known bookings

Referring to the document that has been circulated the picture is quite positive regarding known bookings and speculative ones. However, some considerations:

- Can no longer have back to back bookings as cleaning has to take place before and after use so we are losing some hours of hire. Longer bookings are therefore more profitable
- Bookings that usually occupy the small hall will need to move to the large hall and those in the meeting room to the small hall. This means that inevitably we will not be able to accommodate all of the user groups should they wish to return
- Users will have to take on some cleaning responsibilities during their booking
- RFO has asked for Council to discuss a review of charges and additionally the return of the Centre Manager to work in order to facilitate the reopening.

47/20/03 Re-opening the centre - Cleaning

Rooms and surfaces must be cleaned in between user groups. Council need to decide if we are going to carry out this cleaning ourselves using centre staff or make it a condition of booking that users arrive half an hour earlier to clean their areas and then clean again after they leave.

Cllr. Fleetwood stated that the standard of cleaning can only come through our staff. Peace of mind for parish council if we take this responsibility. We need to address how we reflect cost in rental rates.

Cllr Trafford reminded all that this is about public safety.

The motion that cleaning be carried out by centre staff was proposed by Cllr. Mellard-Sibley and seconded By Cllr T Clough. Motion carried.

Cllr. Fleetwood asked that charges be reviewed, possibly via email, with all groups being brought into line and methods of payment standardised.

48/20 Clerks business

48/20/01 Playground re-opening

Playgrounds have remained shut to allow the Clerk to gather information regarding our responsibilities on reopening. Documents circulated from API give examples of approached taken by different councils. Other examples have been made available on the SLCC forums. It is not feasible for us to clean playground daily and indeed the value in doing so is questionable. I would recommend we get banners made for our unmanned sites (playground, muga and football ground), along the lines of those in the API statement clearly stating the responsibility for safe use lies with the service user. There is a cost implication to having vinyl banners made but small handmade posters are removed.

It was suggested to follow API guidance

This was proposed by Cllr. Fleetwood and seconded by Cllr. Clough. Motion carried.

49/20 Football Ground and MUGA

49/20/01 Charity Formation – Appointments

Cllr. Trafford - Application to charities commission has been approved so there is a registered charity to run the ground and this reduces the rates bill considerably. We will need to draw up an agreement with users and charge for use of ground, in due course. I have notified BDC of our charity number which should result in reduction of rates and should also allow us to claim small business rate relief on the centre as we now qualify on both counts. Parish council remains trustees of the facility.

Cllr Fleetwood asked what the thoughts regarding administration of that and financial issues are?

Cllr. Trafford shared that the charity brings obligations that we should work as benefit to the community and not running as a profit so cannot take money from it. Would be good if charity could stand without help. Management committee needed to be formed with representatives from the council as well as users. It would be useful to compile a short paper to set out how it works.

Cllr. Fleetwood again asked who is doing the administration?

Cllr Trafford said at present it is done by RFO and Clerk and in first instance this would remain to be reviewed at a later date.

49/20/02 Ground update

Cllr. Mellard Sibley – Ricky Stevenson at Derbyshire FA is ready to relax policy on ground visits. One of Liam's team will decide what's available with regards to grant funding. So excited about that. Other than that development not a great deal to talk about now. Couple of things flashed up since last meeting. The Newspaper article regarding GFC. I had a brief discussion with Jamie to introduce themselves to us. They've then tried to get interest via newspapers without our say so. Need to discuss that we would prefer any comments to be discussed with us first as it brings up the complaint regarding football ground that we received. So whilst we're talking about it the complaint was from Glapwell Gladiators who are not happy about the decision to go with GFC so we need to deal with their correspondence. My feeling about GFC is that it was a genuine attempt to foster positive activity to get some sign ups. And they do that through local press to garner sponsorship. Cllr. Mellard-Sibley will have a quick conversation to explain protocol.

Cllr. Trafford – It is unfortunate they went to the Derbyshire Times with the story that we wouldn't have put out and unfortunate DT didn't check with us. At this stage we were concerned with charity registration to make it viable that the ground is retained as a community asset and we have agreed they could at least be renamed so they can play. That does not exclude anybody else from playing there. There is history of the Gladiators being a non-cooperative partner, but it was their choice to stop playing there. They didn't re-sign an agreement and their history is far from smooth. Hoping GFC will prove better proposition for working with local people to encourage participation.

Cllr Trafford will reply to complaint. Clerk to supply e-mail address.

Cllr. Fleetwood asked that Phil Davis connect with Cllr. Mellard-Sibley.

Cllr. Mellard Sibley asked about match readiness of the ground.

Cllr Trafford said it had to exclude the toilets although this depended on FA rules. If we can get it done we can but we need to properly discharge our responsibilities. Is this doable or not?

Cllr. Mellard Sibley - Government guidance doesn't say you have to have a toilet and indeed we've allowed the pitches at RR to be used with a risk assessment that states no opening changing rooms and not opened toilets. One issue to deal with is that when you dealing with little people they may use other arrangements which could be a public health aspect that we need to avoid. So, behind closed doors, all adult. Arrive ready to play and go home to change. With covid risk assessment on flow and pinch points.

Cllr. Mellard Sibley will liaise with Cllr Fleetwood and then risk assess the ground.

RFO– No information as yet on who is paying from GFC or how they going to pay. What charges are they going to be given?

Cllr. Trafford started that they haven't yet signed an agreement.

RFO – Could the PC consider an annual fee rather than per match paid quarterly? Then abandon preferential rates and per match basis. And if they pay ad hoc higher than annual rate.

Cllr Trafford said that was for the charity to think about.

RFO asked if it would be a problem for the Leader funding to lease the muga to a charity?

Clerk will get the leader application out to see if there is anything in the agreement.

Cllr Trafford pointed out the MUGA is more finically viable through a charity

RFO asked if it would come back on term of agreement due to fact not fulfilled the promised employment roles?

Cllr Trafford said the application was about improving conditions in rural communities not just job creation if we incorporate into a charity it will make it more viable.

Cllr. Trafford asked the Clerk to update on bookings for MUGA and review those of the centre. Also look at function of Becky and could her support be support in kind to the charity.

50/20 Planning matters

None received

51/20 Correspondence

51/20/01 Football Club complaint – Addressed elsewhere

51/20/02 Use of Sports hall for vaccination centre – Agreed with no charge

51/20/03 Red Cross donation – Defer request. See if there is a local organisation rather than national.

51/20/04 Complaint about Footpath 13

- The state of the path has been reported to DCC via the usual channels.
- The usual maintenance grant for this footpath is still on offer but we have also been given the option of nominating the footpath for planned maintenance carried out by DCC in lieu of the grant. This recognises the difficulties of maintenance in the current climate. Would we like to nominate this year rather than manage the grant?

Cllr Fleetwood said that the grant was used as DCC did not keep the path themselves. It was suggested that DCC maintain the path for this year. MOP interjected that the path had been cut. Cllr. Fleetwood proposed directing funds to the Peace garden instead.

52/20 Date of next meeting 24th September 2020