

# HOPE with ASTON PARISH COUNCIL

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## **Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at 7.45pm on Monday 9 September 2019**

**Present:** Cllrs. J Hall (Chair), G Hopewell, B Murphy, S Price, C Ord, C Curtis & D Garwes

**In attendance:** P Leppard (Clerk), County Cllr J Perkins, Borough Cllr C Farrell and 3 members of the public

**076/2019 Apologies for absence** Nil

**077/2019 Resolved** to keep the order of business as set out on the agenda.

**078/2019 Declarations of interest** Nil

**079/2019 Resolved** to note there were no requests for dispensations from members on matters in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest.

### **080/2019 Public Participation**

A member of the public complained of excessive parking on Sherwood Ave causing the road to become too narrow for emergency vehicles. Another member of the public spoke of several blockages to Footpath 10 (near Eccles La), defective litterbins outside the Spar shop, and a defective public bench on Eccles La.

County Cllr Perkins asked to be advised of any Council verge-cutting not done to a satisfactory standard.

Borough Cllr Farrell noted a forthcoming Hope Valley Climate Action meeting at the Old Hall pub.

**081/2019 Resolved** to confirm the Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 1 July 2019.

### **082/2019 Chairman's Announcements** Nil

**083/2019 Resolved** to note the report of the Clerk on:

a) Overgrown nettles on Castleton Rd – DCC has been asked to explain its conclusion that the nettles are on private land.

b) Inaccessible stile on footpath alongside River Noe – A further update has been requested from DCC's footpaths officer.

c) Uneven footway between Station Rd and Parsons La – Written reports of monthly inspections are being provided to us by DCC.

d) Road signs on Edale Rd - New long-vehicle signs are currently being designed.

e) Damaged stile (grid ref 53.362911, -1.752115) – Now established to be not National Trust's. Thus further investigation required.

f) Damaged road sign and lamp post at the end of Edale Rd – Awaiting a further update from DCC.

g) Repair to streetlight on School La – Awaiting a further update from DCC.

h) Gullies on Aston La – DCC were asked to clear them. Parish Council now urgently chasing-up DCC.

i) Faded diagonal/hashed lines on Pindale Rd – Request has been sent to DCC for them to be repainted.

### **084/2019 Finance**

a) **Resolved** to note following bank balances:

June	Current account	Aug	Reserve account	
5216.37	Balance brought forward 01/04/19	5216.37	Balance brought forward 01/04/19	5989.41
4072.47	Total Income	4165.34	Total Income	4.07
2145.31	Total Expenditure	2848.63	Total Expenditure	0.00
<b>7143.53</b>	<b>Balance</b>	<b>6533.08</b>	<b>Balance</b>	<b>5993.48</b>
<b>8279.02</b>	<b>Statement balance 05/08/19</b>	<b>7199.85</b>	<b>Statement balance 05/06/19</b>	<b>5993.48</b>
428.05	Less unpresented cheques	0.00		
707.44	Less this month's Payments	666.77		
<b>7143.53</b>	<b>Available balance 09/09/19</b>	<b>6533.08</b>		

b) **Resolved** to pay the following account due for payment:

i) Mrs L Gibbs, Clerk's wages and expenses for July £303.34

ii) Mrs L Gibbs, Clerk's wages and expenses for August £363.43

c) The following new Income was noted: HMRC VAT refund, 2017/18 £ 92.87

**085/2019** It was noted that **Visitor & Events Management** will be the theme of PDNPA's Parishes Day on 12 Oct.

**086/2019 Resolved** that, the parish's SmartWater kits now being ready for delivery to households, Cllr Garwes will finalise the paperwork needed in support of that distribution, which will commence imminently.

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**087/2019** Noting that **Brough & Shatton Parish** has no parish council (as it has a small population), there was a discussion of the pros & cons of Hope with Aston PC also covering Brough. The issue will be given further thought.

**088/2019 Resolved** to offer the position of Parish Clerk & RFO to Julie Gough on salary scale point SCP8, subject to a commitment to obtain the CiLCA qualification as soon as reasonably practicable.

**089/2019 Resolved** that two possible candidates for co-option into Parish Councillor vacancies who had been invited to this Council meeting be re-invited to October's meeting.

**090/2019 Resolved** that the Clerk will arrange purchase (not exceeding £50) of a wreath for Remembrance Day.

**091/2019 Resolved** that the derelict public bench - ownership of which is unknown - at the double bend on Parsons La will be either (a) repaired at Parish Council expense, if evidence of demand for the bench can be found or (b) reported to DCC Highways for removal, if such evidence is unforthcoming.

**092/2019** It was noted that stonework repairs to the **War Memorial** will be undertaken during September.

**093/2019 Resolved** to respond to planning applications as follows:

- i) NP/HPK/0719/0777 – Harrop Farm, Edale Rd – new steel-framed structures. No objection by Parish Council
- ii) NP/HPK/0819/0896 – Hope Cement Works – storage of pulverised fuel ash. No objection by Parish Council
- iii) NP/HPK/0819/0921 – Ebenezer Barn, Edale Rd – archaeological works. No objection by Parish Council

### **094/2019 Highways and Rights of Way correspondence**

- i) DCC's letter stating there is no justification to build a footway from Stretfield to little Brough bridge was noted.
- ii) It was resolved to seek a repair by DCC to the roadside wall on Edale Rd between Higher Hall and Mill Waters.
- lii) It was resolved to ask DCC to install fingerpost signs on Footpath 3 between Mead Farm and The Meadows.

### **095/2019 Derbyshire Association of Local Councils**

**Resolved** to receive the following:

- a) Circulars 09/ & 10/2019
- b) Voting instructions, etc for Executive Committee elections 2019
- c) 2019 revision to NALC Model Financial Regulations

### **096/2019 Information Items**

- a) There were no reports from Councillors on outside bodies or who had attended external meetings.
- b) **Resolved** to receive the following correspondence:
  - i) Trevor Bell - Firth Memorials
  - ii) HPBC - Change of location for meeting 18/07/2019, Economy and Growth Select Committee
  - iii) HPBC - Change of location for meeting 22/07/2019, Corporate Select Committee
  - iv) HPBC - Agenda for Economy and Growth Select Committee, 18/07/2019
  - v) HPBC - Agenda for Community Select Committee, 17/07/2019
  - vi) DCC – New bus service for the Hope Valley
  - vii) HPBC - Hope Valley Parish Councils' joint meeting: Notes and Agenda
  - viii) PPPF - Draft minutes of Management Committee meeting, 15/07/2019
  - ix) HPBC – Weekly lists of Licensing Applications
  - x) Castleton Parish Council - Future running event.
  - xi) PDNPA - Planning Parish Bulletin July 2019
  - xii) Mr & Mrs Beard - Dry Stone Wall
  - xiii) HPBC - Meeting postponed - 01/08/2019, The Executive
  - xiv) HPBC - Agenda for Development Control Committee, 12/08/2019
  - xv) HPBC - Agenda for The Executive, 15/08/2019
  - xvi) DCC - Royal British Legion's Derbyshire Lamp Post Poppy Campaign 2019
  - xvii) HPBC - Polling District and Polling Place Review
  - xviii) Rural Action Derbyshire - Cyber Security for Community Groups
  - xix) HPBC - Minutes for The Executive, 15/08/2019
  - xx) DCC - 2019 Parish and Town Council Liaison Forum Questionnaire
  - xxi) DCC - Mobile Library Timetable
  - xxii) HPBC - Change of date and location for meeting 12/09/2019, Council

### **097/2019 To receive items for the agenda for the next meeting, 7 October at 7.45pm**

- i) Progress with SmartWater project
- ii) Co-option of Parish Councillors
- iii) Descriptive noticeboard in carpark

The meeting concluded at 9.30pm.