

HOPE with ASTON PARISH COUNCIL

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**Meeting of Hope with Aston Parish Council
 Monday 4 October 2021 7.45pm in the Old School, School Lane**

MINUTES

Present: Cllrs Dominic Swords (Chair), Stephen Barr, David Garwes, Richard Henson, Gordon Hopewell, Chris Perkins, Stephen Price and Susan Worsey

In attendance: Maura Sorensen (Clerk); HPBC Cllr Joanna Collins

ACTIONS

059/21		Apologies for absence – Cllr Chris Ord.	
060/21		Any variation in the order of business – none.	
061/21		Declarations of interests relevant to agenda items – Cllrs Perkins and Price re item 066/21 (TreeScaping Fund – both have land on which trees may be planted).	
062/21		Public participation: there were no members of the public in attendance.	
063/21		<p>HPBC; DCC; PDNPA; Police - any reports or updates for the attention of the Parish Council. HPBC Cllr Joanna Collins reported on ongoing refuse collection issues. In relation to land management and paths maintenance she referenced PDNPA grants for farmers (<i>Cllr Collins to share details</i>). Cllr Garwes referenced the grants for climate change highlighted in the recent DALC newsletter. Cllrs discussed how the funding could be used e.g. on insulation initiatives; improving cycle lanes. Suggested it would be more appropriate for a local voluntary group to take this forward; agreed to share details with the Hope Valley Climate Action Group (HVCA).</p> <p>Cllr Collins noted PDNPA is seeking input from parish councils on their land management plan.</p> <p>Cllr Price referenced COP26 and an aim to increase provision of electric charging points.</p>	<p>Clerk to liaise with Roger Clarke, HVCA</p>
064/21		<p>Minutes of the meeting of 6 September 2021: the minutes were approved as a correct record. Matters arising/actions:</p> <p>051/21: noted Edale Road yellow lining proposals submitted to DCC. Queried whether the works would be completed in this financial year. Cllr Henson reported a recent minor accident on Edale Road (wing mirror ripped off).</p> <p>057/21: Cllr Garwes noted thanks from residents of Marsh Avenue for the Council’s liaison with DCC to get the faulty streetlight fixed.</p>	
065/21		<p>Chair’s announcements / Clerk’s correspondence / circulars – items circulated since the September meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DALC – notes from the September meetings for Chairs and Clerks • DALC October newsletter • Glorious Gravel Peaks Cycle Event of 2 October: Cllrs noted similar, regular large-scale events in/around the village which sometimes entail disruption but from which the community, including local businesses, doesn’t necessarily benefit. Suggested the Clerk liaise with the Glorious Peaks organisers to get some feedback on the success of the event and whether they are planning a return event next year. Further consideration to be given to whether some contribution could be sought from organisers of large events, to benefit the community. <p>Also noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An invitation from HVCA to contribute to their ‘Travelling Light’ initiative • A concern raised by a resident in relation to liaison with DCC re the refurbishment, and provision, of new bus stops (<i>agreed to communicate that the Parish Council was satisfied that DCC had taken relevant safety concerns into account</i>) 	<p>Clerk – liaise with Glorious Gravel Event organisers</p>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A concern raised by a resident about Japanese knotweed growing by the River Noe (<i>agreed to ask the resident for further details of the exact location; noted a lack of clarity on reporting procedures and which body might be responsible for taking action</i>) 	
066/21		<p>LA TreeScape Funding: Cllr Perkins provided an update. Noted the Parish Council funding bid has been successful; further details awaited from DCC on the rollout. Next steps – identify sites for street trees. Cllr Perkins suggested leafletting householders to gauge support for planting, and appropriate tree species (outcomes to be shared with DCC). A number of sites already identified. Agreed to aim to start planting before Christmas. Noted some operational details e.g. the need for fencing. Noted HPBC plans to plant additional trees in the cemetery and on car park fringe; suggested HPBC would be willing to plant trees in other areas if the Parish Council can identify sites. Cllr Swords suggested some Aston residents may welcome tree planting on their lands. Re maintenance of new plantings, noted it would not be the responsibility of the Parish Council; most likely to be DCC (<i>agreed this needs to be clarified</i>). Noted also the Queens Jubilee tree planting scheme; details to be clarified. Cllr Price suggested planting on Parsons Lane suggesting it would help address issues with the deterioration of the road verge – agreed the deterioration be brought to the attention of DCC.</p>	<p>November agenda item – recruiting volunteers to help with planting</p> <p>Clerk to liaise with DCC Highways re Parsons Lane verge deterioration</p>
067/21		<p>Smart Trails initiative: noted outcomes of the 8 September meeting of the Hope Valley Parishes Forum; a meeting of a Hope Valley Parish Councils working groups scheduled for 8 October; and an invitation to contribute to an agenda item on paths and signage at a meeting of the Peak Park Parishes Forum on 11 October.</p> <p>Cllr Henson noted the objective for the 8 October meeting – for Hope Valley parish councils to agree and adopt an approach to management and maintenance of Hope Valley paths and trails and to agree some initial actions. Cllr Swords to attend the 11 October Peak Park Parishes Forum.</p>	
068/21		<p>New Parish Council website: Clerk noted anycomp is still working on the site but work had stalled due to illness; next steps to liaise with Grafika on the technical details of the 'hand over'.</p>	
069/21		<p>Remembrance Day, 14 November: Cllr Garwes provided an update on arrangements. The Clerk had submitted a road closure application.</p>	
070/21		<p>Jubilee Corner and bulb planting: noted the Corner had been cut/strimmed in preparation for planting. Daffodil bulbs are on order. Volunteers will be needed to help with planting. Noted an appropriate risk assessment to be put in place including any relevant Covid safety measures. Cllr Price suggested bulb planting on Parsons Lane (if there were bulbs spare).</p>	
071/21		<p>Christmas light-up; Christmas tree: noted the Church has oversight of the operational details re the light-up event. The Happy Tree Company has agreed to source a tree.</p>	
072/21		<p>Highways and Rights of Way</p>	
	1	<p>Carbolite: Cllrs noted the Carbolite lack of response to Parish Council communications. Cllrs suggested next steps including seeking support from PDNPA; and writing to the Carbolite head office to express disappointment and dissatisfaction. Noted a lack of clarity on the Carbolite website re their staffing structure and management. Noted walkers had been observed following the 'alternative route' suggested on the Carbolite map; a potentially unsafe roadside route for pedestrians. Cllre Garwes agreed to liaise with the Laneside Caravan Park owner about caravan owners use of the Carbolite through route. Cllr Price noted overgrown vegetation on the path from the station towards Carbolite.</p>	
	2	<p>PROW: noted the links between the PROW application and Carbolite; agreed the Clerk to seek some advice from DCC.</p>	
	3	<p>FP1: clarity needed on the appropriate materials. Clerk to share details of last</p>	

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		Markovitz order and Cllr Swords to phone Markovitz about a price for a further supply; Cllr Henson to check prices with an alternative supplier. Volunteers will be needed. Cllr Price referenced the poor conditions of FP12 (from the station to the top of Aston Lane); Cllrs suggested this may be the responsibility of DCC Highways.	Clerk to liaise with DCC Highways re FP12
073/21		Planning	
	1	NP/HPK/0821/0940 – 54 Castleton Road – proposed single storey extension. Cllrs noted the significant size of the proposed extension; insufficient information included in the application; and the lack of any reference to sustainability. To that end Cllrs could not support the application.	Clerk to post relevant comments on PDNPA portal
	2	NP/HPK/0919/1018 – Marsh Farm, Castleton Road – notification of planning decision (granted, conditionally) - noted .	
074/21		Finance	
	1	Closure of NatWest account and moving Parish Council accounts to Unity Trust Bank: Clerk to liaise further with NatWest Bank (Sheffield branch) then advise Cllrs on next steps.	
	2	Parish Council accounts: received and noted: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • recent bank statements; • accounts update; • budget update 	
	3	Accounts for payment:	
		3.1 M Sorensen, Clerk wages and expenses	£258.09
		3.2 HMRC (Clerk's PAYE)	£ 22.00
		3.3 Old School – hire – 6 September	£ 21.25
		3.4 Gillian Glen (for new War Memorial planters)	£178.99
		3.5 Tithe Barn for maintenance of the Castleton Road planters (Sept 2020 to Oct 2021) <i>noted this item had not been on the agenda but payment had previously been agreed</i>	£475.00
075/21		Any other urgent business Cllr Henson referenced potential additional parking in and around the village suggesting the showground field as a possibility; there are questions around who owns the land. Welcome Back Funding to purchase benches – Cllr Garwes referenced ongoing liaison with the playground group re bench choices.	
076/21		Next meeting – 1 November 2021, 7.45pm (<i>preceded by a meeting of the Finance Committee at 7.00pm</i>) Additional meeting items: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • consideration/approval of Tithe Barn quote for maintenance of Castleton Road planters for 2021-22 Future meetings: proposed that, from December, meetings take place on the second, rather than the first, Monday of the month.	

Meeting ended 9.30pm