

HOPE with ASTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Meeting of Hope with Aston Parish Council
Monday 14 February 2022 7.45pm, Old School, School Lane

MINUTES

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

In attendance: Maura Sorensen (Clerk); HPBC Cllr Joanna Collins (*part*); Member of the public Nick Faulks (*part*); Mark Chapman, Happy Tree Company (*part*)

ACTIONS

128/21	Apologies for absence received from Cllrs Stephen Price; DCC Cllr Nigel Gourlay	
129/21	<p>Any variation in the order of business: agenda item 140/21.2 was brought forward. Mark Chapman (MC), Happy Tree Company, reported on tree management at Breedon. MC has been engaged by Breedon to coordinate a tree management plan with input from stakeholders and advice from relevant bodies e.g. the Woodland Trust. MC expanded on the draft plan including identifying priority areas, risk management, obtaining felling licences, and appropriate replanting. Noted a significant number of ash trees across the site, many of which have been affected by ash dieback and will need to be felled. MC noted Breedon wants to ensure timely consultation with neighbouring parish councils including flagging where footpath closures are necessary for tree felling work. Cllr Henson referenced neighbouring woodland. Noted many are in private ownership but Cllrs agreed it would be good to look at a broader plan to link tracts of woodlands; MC referenced advice from the Woodland Trust re planting woodlands and linking tracts. MC confirmed the management plan had not yet been formally agreed; once agreed the plan will be made public.</p> <p>Cllrs expressed support for the tree management plan and appreciation re being consulted.</p> <p>Cllrs and MC had a brief discussion on how landowners could be encouraged to plant trees. Noted restrictions in funding – in relation to the area of land to be planted to qualify for funding – discouraged many farmers. Suggested there is more widespread engagement on hedgerow management. Noted the Parish Council has a role to play in promoting tree planting. Noted positive feedback from landowners on recent TreeScape planting. <i>Cllrs thanked MC and reiterated support for the Breedon tree management plan; MC left the meeting.</i></p>	
130/21	Declarations of interests relevant to agenda items – none.	
131/21	Public participation: a period of 10 minutes for members of the public to address items on the agenda or raise items for consideration at a future meeting.	
132/21	HPBC; DCC; PDNPA; Police: reports or updates for the attention of the Parish Council	
	.1 HPBC Cllr Joanna Collins flagged a special parish forum meeting on 1 March for High Peak parishes – focus on plans for provision of electric vehicle charging points – representatives of the DCC consultants (Jacobs) will be in attendance. Also noted an HPVF meeting on 15 March. Highlighted the application for housing on the former Marquis of Granby site had been refused.	
	.2 Cllr Hopewell flagged a concern raised by a resident around a proposal to site a shipping container (for additional storage) in the car park of the Sports Club; the resident is asking the Council to oppose the proposal and flag concerns about the proposition. Nick Faulks (NF), Sports Club Treasurer shared details. The Club has very	

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	<p>limited storage space. Castleton Silver Band currently store their instruments in the Pavillion but, with limited space, additional capacity is needed. The Band had proposed using a shipping container – more secure than a regular shed. NF noted the specific site identified is behind a shed and three quarters hidden from public view. The Band had been advised to seek advice re planning permission; suggested that, generally, containers don't need permission if they are used on a <u>temporary</u> basis. Noted the Sports Club management committee support the provision in principle. NF suggested specific questions about instrument storage – and alternatives – be directed to the Castleton Band. Cllrs suggested the Sports Club do need to take note of the resident's concerns. Agreed Cllrs Hopewell and Swords liaise further with the Club, and the Band, on the details of the proposal.</p>	<i>Cllrs Hopewell and Swords</i>
133/21	Minutes of the meeting of 10 January 2021: the minutes were approved .	
134/21	<p>Chair's announcements/Clerk's correspondence and items circulated since the January meeting: The Chair referenced liaison with Hope Valley broadband providers Gigapeak and their suggestion about provision of ANPR cameras. Cllrs expressed concerns about system monitoring, data capture and privacy; the potential role of the Parish Council; and administrative issues around sharing data with the police. Cllrs suggested it was not in the remit of the Council to endorse/support any proposals by Gigapeak. The Chair will share the response with Gigapeak. Also noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DALC updates • HVCA updates • High Peak and Hope Valley Community Rail updates • PDNPA updates • Refuse collections – updates • Road closure updates <i>noted proposed night closures by the railway bridge to facilitate tree work</i> 	
135/21	<p>Brough and Shatton: to consider proposals to bring the civic parishes of Brough and Shatton into one of their neighbouring Parish Councils. Cllrs expressed tacit support for Brough joining Hope with Aston PC but noted questions around additional PC responsibilities, and representation, would need to be addressed. Noted a formal consultation (facilitated by DCC) with Brough residents would need to be undertaken as a starting point.</p>	<i>Clerk to share the PC response with DCC Cllr Nigel Gourlay</i>
136/21	<p>Consultations: National Parks Landscapes Review Government Response and a linked consultation on off-roading in the Peak Park – the Peak District Green Lanes Alliance has urged parish councils to respond. Agreed that the Clerk recirculate the message specifically referencing off-roading and Cllrs will agree a response.</p>	<i>Clerk</i>
137/21	<p>Upcoming outdoor events in the Hope Valley: the Parish Council was aware of a number of upcoming cycle and running events including one where the organiser had sought direction on parking for 200 attendees. Cllrs had been considering an appropriate response. The Chair referenced the spectrum of Cllr responses from those who noted the potential for additional funding (through requests for donations) and those who believe the majority of large-scale events should be opposed. Noted some (but not all) event organisers contact the PDNP re planned events. Queried whether PDNP 'licence' events and the extent of their responsibility to inform communities impacted <i>Clerk to liaise with PDNP requesting details of Hope Valley events in the next 6-12 months of which they are aware</i>. Suggested, in relation to events, and tourism, the PDNP have not been considering the bigger picture of proper land management and the needs of residents.</p>	<i>Clerk</i>

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	NF noted organisers of the 18 June Ultramarathon had approached Hope Valley College about parking. He suggested better communications between bodies (including the Parish Council), and venues, would inform a coordinated approach to hosting events – Cllrs agreed <i>Clerk to liaise with Hope Show Ground; Sports Club; and College</i> . HPBC Cllr Collins agreed to share Edale CP guidance to event organisers and referenced villages increasingly saying ‘no’ to large scale events. NF noted HVPF may also have relevant guidance <i>Clerk to check</i> .	Clerk HPBC Cllr Joanna Collins
138/21	Queen’s Platinum Jubilee and event planning. Cllr Garwes confirmed the Sports Club are making the field available on the Jubilee Sunday for residents wanting to picnic. NF noted, while the Club are happy to facilitate a village picnic, they don’t want to take an organising role. Neither did the Parish Council. Suggested it remains to be seen whether there is an appetite, among residents, for organised events. Cllr Garwes, noting the village already has a beacon, proposed lighting it on the Jubilee Friday evening – joining the national beacon event – and proceeding to the sports field to light the bonfire. <i>Noted a formal request to be submitted to the Sports Club</i> .	Clerk / Cllr Garwes
139/21	Website: Cllrs Barr, Garwes and Worsey provided a progress update.	
140/21	Trees	
	.1 Tree Management Plan: already addressed under item 129/21.	
	.2 TreeScape planting: Cllr Perkins had shared a report and photographs. Noted further planting to come – volunteers welcome. Cllrs acknowledged and thanked Cllr Perkins for all the time and energy he had given to this initiative.	
141/21	Smart Trails: Cllr Henson referenced ongoing consultations with stakeholders. Noted concerns raised that improvements to trails could further encourage motor and quad bikes illegal use of the trails; acknowledged careful consideration is needed about upgrading work, and signage, on trails. There had been no further recent liaison with neighbouring PCs.	
142/21	Breedon: update on outcomes of the December liaison meeting and a report on the Alternative Raw Materials (ARM) planning application. Cllr Perkins noted the lengthy application appears complicated but is essentially the same as the original application with some superficial changes. As per the reasons set out in his report, Cllr Perkins proposed the Parish Council formally object to the ARM. Suggested the application is likely to be determined at the April meeting of the PDNPA planning committee. <i>Agreed all Cllrs review Cllr Perkins report, and the objections; if the majority of Cllrs agree the Parish Council’s objections will be flagged with PDNPA</i> . NF asked whether there was any way to flag the application with residents and offer them an opportunity to voice their opinion. The Chair suggested also reaching out to neighbouring parishes potentially impacted including Bradwell.	All Cllrs Clerk
143/21	Highways and Rights of Way	
	1 FP1: noted a tentative date of 10 March for work to be undertaken is likely to be rescheduled as the ground is thoroughly waterlogged and there is more wet weather to come. Clerk and Cllr Ord to liaise with PDNPA re a later work date, and purchasing aggregate.	Clerk / Cllr Ord
	2 Edale Road: noted DCC plans to repair the Townhead Bridge coping stone had been compromised by further damage sustained to the bridge after a traffic incident; repair work is ongoing.	

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	<p>Cllr Ord and NF had provided further evidence of parking problems, traffic obstruction and poor signage. NF shared an unsatisfactory DCC response to his queries on signage, and parking enforcement. Suggested the Parish Council ask DCC Cllr Nigel Gourlay and MP Robert Langan to further represent concerns about inappropriate signage, and frustration at the lack of a timely response and action from DCC.</p> <p>The Parish Council had liaised with DCC Highways last year about proposals for double yellow lining on Edale Road. NF expressed concerns the proposals will not adequately address the issues and will 'push' parking into adjacent roads.</p>		Chair / Clerk
	3 Pindale Road: noted issues raised about the poor quality of road repair/resurfacing were being addressed.		
144/21	Planning		
	1 NP/HPK/0122/0117 – 97 Castleton Road – alterations and extensions – response deadline 4 April – agreed to move this to the March meeting.		
	2 NP/HPK/0122/0021 – Losehill Farm, unnamed road from Squires Lane to White Lea Farm, Castleton – erection of single storey extension – response deadline 18 February. Noted this is within Castleton PC however Cllr Perkins flagged some objections to the proposals. Agreed Cllr Perkins to draft a response and share with Cllrs – to be agreed before submission to PDNPA.		Cllr Perkins
	3 To note responses to planning applications considered since the January meeting		
145/21	Finance		
	1 Parish Council accounts: received/noted the most recent bank statement; accounts; and budget update.		
	2 Accounts for payment authorised:		
	3.1 M Sorensen, Clerk wages and expenses	£311.00	
	3.2 HMRC (Clerk's PAYE)	£ 33.00	
	3.3 Old School – hiring costs for the January meeting	£ 17.00	
146/21	Next meeting – Monday 14 March 2022, 7.45pm		

Meeting ended 10.15pm