

## CALVER PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council held at the Village Hall, Calver on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May, 2017 at 7pm.**

**Present:**

Councillors Jonathan Harris (Chairman), Judith Canty, Beatrice Carman, Marlene Denton, John Hearnshaw, Pat Howard and Ron Marshall.

**Also in Attendance:**

Simon Oldham (Clerk), Councillor Kath Potter (PDNPA) and three members of the public.

**Apologies:**

Councillor Patricia Wootton and John Tibenham (DDDC Ward Member).

**2017.69 Declaration of Members Interests.**

There were no declarations of interest.

**2017.70 To Consider Motions for the Variation of Business.**

**RESOLVED** to bring forward the Public Speaking item as the next item of business, to be followed by item 13 (c) "De-brief following discussions at the APM re Pryormarking Ltd land off Main Street and to determine next steps".

**2017.71 Public Speaking.**

The residents of a dwelling opposite the Bird garden advised that they rented a single garage and car parking space behind their property from Pryormarking and expressed their support for the potential acquisition and development of the site. In addition, they outlined a willingness to purchase the garage and parking space from the Parish Council if this land were to be acquired with a view to the purchase price being ploughed back in to support the sites upkeep. In addition, they expressed the view that for the good of the village, an entranceway in to the site would be much more preferable if it were located a little further down the road towards the Methodist Chapel.

Another local parishioner in relation to this site pointed out the lack of access for emergency vehicles and drew attention to an incident/fire a couple of years ago where the Fire Brigade had difficulty accessing the site and had to do so by parking up outside the Methodist Chapel and gaining access at the side of it. Again, a formal access here was viewed to be more beneficial than impacting on the small Lane adjacent to the three residential dwellings. In addition, the parishioner advised that a "welcome" noticeboard would be beneficial if the proposal were to go ahead and requesting people to respect the wildlife on site.

A representative of the Methodist Chapel advised that the Bird garden proposal had been discussed at their annual meeting on 7/5/17 and they were keen to see either the Parish Council or a Trust to develop the site although they remained keen to retain an interest in purchasing a small piece of this land on the eastern side of the site which

would allow for improved access to the site on the basis as raised by other parishioners earlier in this meeting. In addition, he asked the Parish Council not to forget about the prospect of a children's play area as it was the one thing that the Village was still lacking and suggested that this was perhaps best located on the other piece of Pryormarking land on the other side of Main Street.

Councillor Kath Potter (PDNPA) reported that a new Director David Hickman had been appointed recently. In addition, she advised that a number of parishes had expressed to her that they had had enough of the lack of robust enforcement action being taken across the Dales area and it was suggested that their concerns and representations be taken forward collectively via the Peak Park Parishes Forum. She advised that following the recent County Council elections, there would be new representation on the PDNPA. She concluded by advising that Baslow PC had just been successful in having planning consent granted for a children's play area after a long campaign lobbying for over 20 years.

#### **2017.72 De-brief following discussions at the APM re Pryormarking Ltd land off Main Street and to determine next steps.**

**RESOLVED** that (1) to note that the mood of the Annual Parish meeting was very supportive of the prospect of development of one or both pieces of Pryormarking land off Main Street for some form of community use; (2) if development on one or both of these pieces of land were to be progressed, this would not be a Parish Council project, but would need to be led by a form of Community Trust comprising local volunteers(which may include Parish Councillor representation) ; (3) in order to gauge firm interest and commitment to proceed to set up such a group, the Chairman agreed to produce and circulate to all Calver households a further publicity leaflet, inviting parishioners to a further public meeting at which a firm commitment from volunteers would be sought to establish the group and drive a prospective project forward and (4) the Clerk be requested to update Pryormarking Ltd on the current position and circulate a copy of the minutes of the Annual Parish meeting to them setting out the views expressed by local residents.

#### **2017.73 Appointments to Outside Bodies & Other Council Appointments.**

**RESOLVED** that the following appointments be made:-

Calver Village Hall Committee – Councillor Jonathan Harris

Joint Burial Ground Committee – Councillors Marlene Denton, Pat Howard and Mr P. Thompson

Baslow Charities – Councillor Beatrice Carmen

Calver Weir Management Committee - Councillor Judith Canty

Councillor Footpaths Liaison Officer – Councillor Pat Howard

Police Governance Committee - Councillor Judith Canty

Samuel and Elizabeth Wild Almshouse Trust' - Beatrice Carmen.

#### **2017.74 Schedule of Meetings for 2017/18.**

**RESOLVED** to approve the following schedule of meetings for 2017/18:-

3rd Thursday every month with the exception of August

15th June, 20th July, 21st September, 19th October, 16th November, 21st December, 2018 – 18th January, 15th February, 15th March and 19th April.

**2017.75 Review and Adoption of Council Standing Orders.**

**RESOLVED** to re-affirm the adoption of existing Standing Orders.

**2017.76 Review and Adoption of Council Financial Regulations.**

**RESOLVED** to re-affirm the adoption of existing Financial Regulations.

**2017.77 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting – 20<sup>th</sup> April, 2017.**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes be signed as a correct record subject to amendment of the third paragraph of the minute number 2017.58 “Public Speaking” agenda item, second sentence to read “ They had also noted the recent procurement of two defibrillators for the village and were organising their own training event on how to use the equipment which was to be held in the Village Hall”.

**2017.78 Chairman’s Announcements.**

The Chairman announced that (1) following the success of acquiring training materials from the British Heart Foundation for defibrillator training, he had now received around 30 expressions of interest by people interested in attending training on how to use the equipment. The Village Hall were also publicising the availability of this training and it was hoped that a couple of training sessions would be set up in the near future, which would be held in the Village Hall. In addition, he reported that the Village Hall’s defibrillator was due to be installed next Wednesday as was a broadband connection to the Hall in the next couple of weeks; (2) he had received a complaint about the High Peak Bus Company not accepting the use of a return purchased ticket to Buxton on the 66 service. This was accepted by TM Travel but not the High Peak Bus Company. He had written and complained and also suggested that the Parish Council might want to write to the County Council and draw this to its attention as their website still showed that the tickets were interchangeable. The Clerk agreed to write to DCC in this regard.

**2017.79 Exercise of the General Power of Competence – To confirm that the Council still meets the qualifying criteria.**

**RESOLVED** to note and confirm the continued use of the power and that the Council continued to meet the qualifying criteria.

**2017.80 To consider and approve the Annual Audit Return – i) Annual Governance Statement and ii) the Accounting Statements for the year ending 31/3/17.**

**RESOLVED** (1) that approval be given to the annual governance statement as per Section 1 of the draft Annual Return submission; (2) that approval be given to the accounting statements as per Section 2 of the draft Annual Return submission and (3) approval be given to the submission of the return to Grant Thornton and to note the notice of the Electors rights of inspection of the accounts, was to be published on 5/6/17 for 30 consecutive working days.

### **2017.81 Website and Publicity.**

**RESOLVED** (1) to note that the new contact addresses set up for parishioners to respond to register for e-mail newsletter updates and for defibrillator training had attracted some significant interest in visitors to the website and the Chairman agreed to report back to a future meeting on the number of "hits" that the site was attracting and (2) to note the reporting by Councillor Ron Marshall that the Calver Sports Association were likely to approach the Parish Council requesting a link be applied to its site which they were looking to upgrade in the near future.

### **2017.82 DALC Circulars.**

**RESOLVED** to note that the Clerk had circulated Circular:-

1	DALC 06/2017	Devolution of Services to Parishes: What you need to consider; General Election and Purdah; Commission on the Future of Localism; Neighbourhood Plan Examiners set for new Guidance; Village of the Year 2017; Consultation on Park Runs
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### **2017.83 Finance.**

**RESOLVED** that (1) to note payment in respect of the following Accounts:-  
Employee costs including PAYE £249.68 April;  
HMRC £58.00 re PAYE April;  
Village Hall, Calver £30.00 re room hire April meetings;  
Mr D. Turner £70.00 re Internal Audit of Accounts;  
Mr M. Boyes £60.00 re Snow Warden Duties;  
1<sup>st</sup> Curbar Guides £50.00 re provision of refreshments at APM.

(2) Approval be given to the monthly financial report provided by the Clerk.

### **2017.84 Planning.**

**RESOLVED** that (1) in relation to Planning Application consultation NP/DDD/0417/0375 – Retrospective planning permission for;  
Existing single door entrance with steep ramp to be removed.  
Original entrance which was boarded over to uncovered and re-instated. Step up to double door to be modified to create a ramped entrance - Peaklander Works, Unnamed Section Of A623 From The Avenue To Grindleford Road, Calver, no objections be raised regarding this proposed development and (2) Update from PDNPA re enquiry about Planning regulations for siting of Motorhomes on Derwentwater Arms Car Park, to note the response from the Enforcement Team.

### **2017.85 Representatives' Reports**

**RESOLVED** to note:-

- (1) Burial Committee – next meeting June
- (2) Village Hall Committee – no recent meeting.

- (3) Footpaths Liaison – nothing to report.
- (4) Calver Weir – no recent meeting.

**2017.86 Highways.**

**RESOLVED** to note the road closure planned for the week commencing 22/5/17 in respect of further repairs to the wall on the bend at Froggatt New Bridge.

**2017.87 Outstanding Issues – None.**

**2017.88 Information Items/Correspondence.**

**RESOLVED** (1) to note that the Clerk had previously circulated:-

1	DDDC	OVO Energy Womens Tour 10/6/17
2	PPPF	Minutes 24/4/17
3	DCC	Removal of fees for disposal of demolition waste
4	PDNPA Press Release	Pedal Power Boost for Business
5	PDNPA Press Release	A new first for the Peak District

**2017.89 Date of Next Meeting – 7pm Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2017.**