

WHITWELL PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of a Meeting of the Council
Held at 19:00 on Wednesday 13 July 2022

Present:

Councillor T Munro (Chair)	Councillor K Austin	Councillor D Ellis
Councillor F Raspin	Councillor J Raspin	2 Members of Public

1. **To receive and Accept Apologies for Absence** – Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs H Green, S Maiden and L Roberts.
2. **To record declarations of personal and disclosable pecuniary interests from members on any items to be discussed** – None.
3. **To receive and approve requests for dispensations from members on matters in which they have a disclosable pecuniary interest (forms to be completed before the meeting)** – None.
4. **Public Participation Session** - to allow members of the public to speak to the meeting (no decisions can be made on any items raised in this session).
Chairman brought forward item 5, which was considered before the public session.
 - 4.1. Members of the Parish Council and public to raise matters of importance with the police
No police were present, but they would be attending the public meeting on 20 July.
 - 4.2. Members of the Parish Council and the public to raise matters of importance with the **County Councillor** - Cllr M Yates was not present but has reported all the issues raised from the last meeting and sends his congratulations to the Well Dressing Team. The following issues were raised:-
 - 4.2.1. An area at the bottom of Doles Lane that is water-logged in Winter – to be reported to DCC.
 - 4.3. Members of the public to raise matters of importance with the Councillors present
District Council – Cllr T Munro advised that BDC have decided to reinstate provision of a small sum per elected member to grant to community organisations. Himself and other District Councillor will work together and they have the contact details of 10 community organisations.
5. **BDC's Interim Planning Policy Manager(PPM) and new Woodlands Project Officer(WPO) speaking about the Community Orchard Project at Claylands, Whitwell**
The PPM recapped on previous discussions regarding creation of a community orchard in Whitwell and the intention for biodiversity rather than just fruit trees. He contacted the Wildlife Trust to seek some good examples, which led to discovery of the Derbyshire Community Orchard Network (DCON). Himself, the WPO and the Clerk attended their recent Zoom meeting. Members are essentially communities that have done what WPC intends to do, they share ideas, network etc., and have recommended community involvement. The WPO gave a presentation and links were provided to orchards. Community engagement was key involving schools, community groups, youth organisations, ecological groups, local businesses, volunteers etc. There was the possibility of applying to other funders for continuation funding.
Funding is in place for WPC to be included in planting plans for Winter 2022. The PPM will work with the Estates Dept., on the boundary and access to the site. The WPO will arrange visits to orchards during the 2nd week of August. WPC to consult with neighbouring residents to also invite them.

2 Members of Public left at 20:10
6. **To consider for approval the Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 8 June 2022**
It was **resolved** that the minutes of the meeting held on 8 June 2022 be approved and duly signed by the Chairman.

7. To consider any matters arising (for information only) from the Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 8 June 2022

Item 4.2.2. – Overhanging hedge on Welbeck Street has been trimmed.

Item 4.2.3 – Vegetation from a property on Spring Hill has been removed. Co-op to be contacted to enquire about their plans for managing vegetation overhanging Malthouse Road and elsewhere.

Item 4.3.1 – Vegetation outside the Church on High Street has been cleared.

Item 4.3.2 – Land on Hillside Close was unnecessarily mown again two weeks later. Cllr T Munro to speak to the relevant Officer at BDC.

Item 6 – Public meeting on 20 July to be advertised for those interested in being involved with issues including, Christmas Lights, Floral Displays, Whitwell in Bloom, Community Orchard etc.

Item 8 – Cllr T Munro has forwarded an email from a resident to the Quarry Manager regarding dust/ vibrations from the quarry. He will make further contact regarding any progress on a public meeting.

Item 8 – A start date for the Mill Lane entrance works to be requested from the contractor.

Item 9 – The Whitwell Parish Council gala was a fantastic event with many positive comments being received. The Parish Council's gratitude to be conveyed to the team responsible for organising the event.

Item 17.1 – (22-000257-FUL) BDC responded that they are mindful of the piecemeal development of the site and do consider the site as a whole where possible.

8. Accounts for Approval and Payment – It was resolved to approve the following accounts for payment: -

Direct Bank Payments to be Authorised			
Payee	Goods/Services	Amount	Budget
Whitwell Community Centre	PC Waste Bin	203.42	63
Whitwell Community Centre	Photocopier Rental	208.80	39
Whitwell Community Centre	PAT Testing	45.05	63
Life Publications	June Newsletter Delivery	151.20	33
Ofsted	Playscheme Registration Fee	50.00	37
SLCC	Training yr 2 2 nd instalment	1260.00	43
Thorpes Building Supplies	Repairs	21.00	63
Turner Hire & Sales	Repairs	25.20	63
Sutcliffe Play	Play Equipment, WS Rec.	94078.61	Reserves
Whitwell Bowls Club	Grant Covid-19 Recovery	1500.00	76
BDC (RHL CRP)	Community Rail Partnership	1000.00	73
	TOTAL	98543.28	
Credit Card Payments			
Microsoft	Microsoft (Office 365) x 2 users	22.56	45
Co-op Bank	Credit Card Fee	2.00	20
Cheapestprintonline	Newsletter June 2022	127.14	33
	TOTAL	151.70	

9. Financial Report and Bank Reconciliation

It was **resolved** to accept the Financial Report. Cllr D Ellis signed the June bank reconciliation.

10. To consider installation of fencing at Bakestone Moor Recreation Ground (subject to funding)

It was **resolved** to install fencing along the Bakestone Moor Recreation Ground boundary, subject to receipt of £5,000 funding from the PCC's fund, with the Parish Council matching the remainder of the cost £5,718.96.

11. To consider the future of the Friendship Hall at Bakestone Moor (Cllr K Austin)

It was **resolved** to endorse WCC Management Committee's proposal to investigate funding options for a feasibility study and replacement building at Bakestone Moor.

12. To consider progress on non-cultivation of allotment plots (Cllr F Raspin)

It was **resolved** to write to identified plot holders requesting clearance of surface weeds from ¼ of their plot by 1 September 2022 and 75% or more of the plot to be cleared by the end of November. Inspections to be carried out, with those not being sufficiently progressed given notice, as unworked plots are detrimental to other plot holders.

13. To consider Signage for Welbeck Street Recreation Ground

It was **resolved** that as well as “bark park” rules, signage incorporating a map identifying areas where dogs are excluded/must be on a lead/subject to the PSPO is required. Other ‘welcome’ signage to be displayed, age-related user signage and ownership sign.

BDC to be contacted regarding possibilities of removing and replacing the ‘A’ frames following a complaint that the site is not accessible for some mobility scooters.

14. To consider a grant application from Whitwell Junior FC

It was **resolved** to grant £1,500 to Whitwell Junior FC from unspent Covid-19 funding, towards refurbishment of their changing rooms.

15. Welbeck Street Recreation Ground

A start date of 8 August has been confirmed by the contractor. Clerk to contact funders regarding payment of invoices received from Sutcliffe Play.

16. Correspondence –

It was **resolved** to deal with correspondence as follows: -

- 16.1. DALC June & July Newsletters – noted.
- 16.2. BDC Bolsover Homes Update Presentation on 27.7.22 – Cllr T Munro to attend
- 16.3. Website contact – Village Flag – WPC to consider whole parish branding going forward.
- 16.4. CPRE – AGM 16.7.22 at Creswell Crags – Cllr S Maiden to attend and report back.
- 16.5. DCC – Liaison Forum 26.7.22 at Matlock – Cllr T Munro to attend
- 16.6. DBCP – Street Name & Numbering, Pinxton – Noted.

Correspondence not Listed

- 16.7. Resident – Access onto Welbeck Street Rec., - BDC to be contacted.

17. Planning Matters – Cllr T Munro declared an interest in this matter and took no part in decision making.

It was **resolved** to deal with planning matters as follows: -

- 17.1. 22/00312/FUL – Erection of single storey stable block to have 3 stables, 1 tack room and 1 hay room, creation of hard standing area and private access road, Steetley Farm House, Steetley Lane, Worksop – No objections.
- 17.2. 22/00297/FUL – Erection of detached two bed bungalow with associated parking, former garage site between 16 and 16A Claylands Road, Whitwell – No objections
- 17.3. 22/00327/TPO – Cutting back Sycamore Tree (TPO/BOL/37) 20 Plantation Close, Whitwell S80 4QP – No objections.

18. Progress Reports

- 18.1. Playscheme – There is a full complement of staff for the Summer Club and a Staff Meeting will be held on Monday.

19. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council, will be held on Wednesday 14 September 2022 at 7.00 pm. A public meeting will be held on Wednesday 20 July 2022 at 7.00 pm.

20. **Fifteen minute public session for members of the public to comment on items discussed at this meeting (no decisions can be made on any items raised in this session)**

21. **To consider a resolution under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings Act 1960) to exclude members of the public and press from the remainder of the meeting on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.**

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 21:35.

Signed (Chairman)

Date

List of Resolutions

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Abbreviations Used:

AGAR – Annual Governance & Accountability Review	MMA – Minor Maintenance Allowance
ASB – Anti-social behaviour	CREST Casualty Reduction Enforcement Support
DET – Derbyshire Environmental Trust	MOP – Member of Public
BDC – Bolsover District Council	PC – Police Constable
BILD – Buildings, Infrastructure, Leisure, Developments	PCC – Police & Crime Commissioner
CLLR – Councillor	CAN – Community Action Network
CST – Community Safety Team	PIMS – Playground Insp. & Maintenance Service
DALC – Derbyshire Association of Local Councils	PPE – Personal Protective Equipment
DCC – Derbyshire County Council	PROW – Public Right of Way
EMR – East Midlands Railway	LSW – Louise Smalley Walk
FIT – Fields in Trust	SO – Standing Order
SNT – Safer Neighbourhood Team	STWA – Severn Trent Water Authority
FP – Footpath	WCC – Whitwell Community Centre
H&BPC – Hodthorpe & Belph Parish Council	WPC – Whitwell Parish Council
LGPS – Local Government Pension Scheme	
NAS – National Allotment Society	