

Bakewell Town Council

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Meeting of the Town Council held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall on Monday 17th February 2020 at 7.00pm

Minutes

Non-Confidential items

4606/20 **Present**

Cllr John Boyle, Cllr Steve Edwards, Cllr Paul Miller, Cllr John Riley, Cllr Bill Storey, Cllr DCllr Alasdair Sutton, DCllr Mark Wakeman

4607/20 **To receive and accept apologies for absence**

Resolved: To accept apologies from Cllr Alyson Hill (work commitment), Cllr Paul Morgans(work commitment), and Cllr Philippa Tilbrook (work commitment)

Apologies had also been received from Kath Potter

4608/20 **Variation of order of business**

It was not considered necessary to vary the order of business.

4609/20 **Mayor's announcements**

Cllr Bill Storey welcomed everyone to the meeting.

4610/20 **Declaration of Members Interests**

Members are required to declare the existence and nature of any interests they may have in subsequent agenda items in accordance with the Town Council's Code of Conduct. Those interests are matters that relate to money or that which can be valued in money, affecting the Member her/his partner, extended family and close friends. Interests that become apparent at a later stage in the proceedings may be declared at that time.

None received.

4611/20 **Items in Exclusion**

To consider whether any items should be discussed in exclusion of the public and press.

It was not considered necessary to take any items “in exclusion”.

4612/20 **Public Speaking**

(a) A period of not more than 30 minutes will be made available for members of the public and members of the Council to comment on any matter

A request was received from the Bakewell and District Litter Pick for the Town Council to consider registering up to sixty volunteers with its insurer as volunteer. The Clerk was asked to approach the Council’s insurance broker to ascertain whether there would be a cost to this and to proceed if no charge was involved.

It is understood that following contact with the Environment Agency regarding the proximity to the river of a dozen propane gas bottles at the traveller encampment on the Showground the bottles have been relocated.

It is believed that the travellers have been permitted to stay on the Showground for a further month by the County Court.

[Note: DDDC subsequently advised that the case had been adjourned until 12th March 2020 with no conditions or judgement.]

Cllr Paul Miller reported that Milford and the riverside path were flooded during Storm Dennis.

Cllr John Riley expressed concern that North Church Street is being used as a “rat run” with vehicles travelling at inappropriate speeds and that this may lead to a serious accident.

Cllr John Riley said he was disappointed at the lack of progress by DCC in removing the lovelocks from Weir Bridge.

Cllr John Boyle outlined the 2020 Heritage Open Days to be held in September and is to speak to Bakewell Town and Community Trust with regard to a display of artefacts at Town Hall.

Cllr John Boyle reported on an open meeting with the Police on 12th February 2020 at which PCSO Anthony Boswell fielded questions on speeding, parking, Speedwatch and was asked about the degree to which the police will support emerging Chamber of Trade.

Cllr Bill Storey reported that the area is to receive an additional PCSO.

Cllr John Boyle reported on correspondence with DDDC Community Development Officer Emma Mortimer regarding Fairtrade Fortnight.

Cllr Steve Edwards reported an approach from parents of pupils at the Junior School requesting a grit bin at Stoney Close. Cllr Edwards suggested that a residents group be formed and a grant application made or an approach made to the housing association, alternatively this could be considered by the Parent Teacher Association.

Flood Warden, Cllr Steve Edwards, said that he felt DDDC had done a good job at Bakewell during Storm Dennis, providing sandbags, signage and installing the boards to make the flood barriers.

(b) If the Police Liaison Officer, a County Councillor, Peak District National Park Member or District Councillor is in attendance they will be given the opportunity to raise any relevant matter.

No further times received.

4613/20 **Minutes**

To approve the minutes of the meeting held Monday 3rd February 2020

Resolved: To approve the minutes of the meeting held Monday 3rd February 2020 as a correct record.

4614/20 **Clerk's Report**

(a) To approve Clerks Report on action taken following the meeting held on Monday 3rd February 2020

Resolved: To approve the report.

(b) Project work; to receive reports and approve action taken;

(i). Bench and signage maintenance

Work is scheduled for April.

(ii). Closer Working Meeting

Cllr Bill Storey and the Clerk gave a report on the Closer Working Meeting held on Wednesday 12th February 2020.

(iii). Community Payback

A response is awaited from Community Payback.

(iv). Lovelocks

It was reported that the following has been received from DCC Structures Management "Both footbridges on Bakewell FP.15 have been inspected by one of our bridge inspectors. From these reports I will raise a job to have both of these bridges jet washed to remove algae and dirt build-up. Then over the summer period I will look to issue further works to carry out other minor repairs, this would include removal of the tree and repointing where necessary amongst other things."

A further question was raised as to the inspection and maintenance of Weir Bridge and an update requested on the future of the love locks. The following reply has been received:

"The Weir footbridge was inspected in November; this bridge does require some maintenance by the way of cleaning and repainting. However this is currently not possible due to the padlocks which at the moment we cannot remove as it is a bit of a political hot point. Going forward into the new financial year we will consider the condition and what work is required."

(v). Neighbourhood Plan

See minute 11/20(a) below.

(vi). Parsonage Field

No further update at present.

(vii). Scot's Garden

No further update at present.

(viii). Streetlight 2209 at junction of A619/B6408

A reply is awaited from DCC regarding progress on the project.

(ix). Riverbank Project

A response is awaited from Garrie Tiedeman, Landscape Architect, PDNPA.

A short meeting was held with Janusz Hobot to examine the current position and the way forward.

(x). Town Hall Repairs and Renovations

No further update at present.

(xi). Tree and Woodland Management

Tilhill will be undertaking the tree survey on 26th & 27th February 2020 and the report is due to be issued by 12th March 2020.

Work at Catcliffe Wood has now been completed.

Resolved: That the report be received and the action taken approved.

Resolved: To separate "Bridge, Footpath 15" from "Lovelocks" and to defer the former to the September meeting and the latter until June.

Resolved: Parsonage Field and Scot's Garden; to arrange a meeting with Countryside Manager PDNPA as soon as possible.

4615/20 **Correspondence**

Resolved: To note receipt of items for information;

Derbyshire Children's Holiday Centre – open request for donation

The Fire Fighters Charity "chosen charity" request

4616/20 **Planning Applications**

(a) NP/DDD/1119/1180 Proposed extension to rear of dwelling replacing conservatory. 19 Wyedale Crescent Bakewell DE45 1BE. Applicants; Mr and Mrs A Willis.

Resolved: To raise no objection and recommend approval of the proposal on design and appearance grounds.

(b) NP/DDD/0120/0027 Listed Building consent - The proposal is to undertake a refurbishment of the Bakewell Visitor Centre. The works include the removal of the timber stud partition to create a larger store space; upgrading the existing Fire and intruder alarm systems and replacing the main entrance door. It is to be noted that the works proposed are not part of the original historic fabric. Old Market Hall, Bridge Street, Bakewell. Applicant; Peak District National Park Authority.

Resolved: To raise no objection and recommend approval of the proposal on design and appearance grounds.

4617/20 **Matters for decision**

(a) Bakewell Neighbourhood Plan (Version "V Reg 15 DRAFT (V1 Nov 2019)") to approve amended draft

Resolved: To approve the amended draft.

(b) DCC Consultation on the possible closure of Gernon Manor Care Home; (i). to receive update following correspondence with Sarah Dines MP

The Clerk reported that an acknowledgement letter had been received:

"Thank you for writing to me on behalf of Bakewell Town Council regarding Gernon Manor House in Bakewell

I have written to the County Council to raise your concerns and I have enquired what can be done. I know that County Councillor Judith Twigg has been working with residents regarding this matter, so I will be sure to include her in my writing to the Council.

Resolved: To note the update and to put a copy on the Market Place notice board and the Town Council's website.

(ii). DCC consultation "Have your say on the future of older people's homes" to approve response

Resolved: Prior to making a response to invite Cllr Judith Twigg to the next meeting to give a verbal report on the actions she has taken.

(c) Financial Regulations validation exercise; to receive report and approve the way ahead

Cllr Steve Edwards gave a report on the validation exercise and the action in hand.

Resolved: To approve updating the bank mandate; with as all members who wish to becoming authorised signatories.

To comply with the requirements of the bank:

Resolved: "The Authorised Signatories in the current mandate, for the accounts detailed in section 1.3, be changed in accordance with section "Authorised Signatories."

Resolved: To approve the settling of regular bills by BACS, Bank Standing Order or Direct Debit where possible.

Resolved: To approve the setting up and operation of Digital Banking.

At this point Cllr John Riley left the meeting.

4618/20 **Finance**

(a) Statement of account

Resolved: To note the following balances;

Account	Date	Balance
Instant Access Reserve (statement 357)	31/01/20	£65,915.18
Instant Access Reserve Support Account	29/12/19	£100
Nationwide Building Society	30/03/19	£50,700.70
Petty Cash/Vouchers held	29/12/19	£100

(b) Approval of payments

Resolved: To approve the schedule of payments;

Cheque	Date	Payee	Amount	VAT	Total
4496	17/02/2020	Clerk Salary December			<i>Not for publication</i>
4497	17/02/2020	HMRC December			<i>Not for publication</i>
4498	17/02/2020	Clerk Reimbursable Expenses	£68	£13.60	£81.60
4499	17/02/2020	Clerk Reimbursable Expenses	£65.80	£13.17	£78.97
4500	17/02/2020	Viking	£211.86	£29.93	£241.79
4501	17/02/2020	Shelter Maintenance	£52.50	£10.50	£63
4502	17/02/2020	Good News Bakewell Grant	£230		£230
4503	17/02/2020	HMRC January			<i>Not for publication</i>
4504	17/02/2020	Clerk Salary January			<i>Not for publication</i>
4505		Spoiled			
4506	17/02/2020	Broadband and telephone	£486.63	£97.33	£583.96

(c) To consider risk assessment and insurance issues for decisions made above

All decisions taken in good faith. No new Risk Assessment or insurance items received.

4619/20 Time, date and place of next meetings

The next meetings of the Town Council will be as follows:

- 7.00pm Monday 2nd March 2020 in the Council Chamber
The agenda closes 9.00am Monday 24th February 2020
- 7.00pm Monday 16th March 2020 in the Council Chamber
The agenda closes 9.00am Monday 9th March 2020.

The meeting closed at 9.13pm