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**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting, held Tuesday 10th September 2024 at 6.30pm at the Bramwell Memorial Parish Institute, Taddington.**

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| Cllrs Present | N. Walsh (Chair) | P. Brady | J. Saynor |
|  | J. Skidmore | J. Slack |  |

Also present was Parish Clerk S. Kelly. No members of the public or press attended.

**0924/01. To receive apologies for absence, if any.** Apologies were accepted for Cllr D. Graham.

**0924/02. Declarations of interest.** None were made.

**0924/03. To confirm the minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 9th July 2024 as a correct record.** These were confirmed as a correct record.

**0924/04. Village Voice - Members of the public may ask questions or make statements on any matter, whether or not it is on the agenda. Councillors may also raise concerns on their behalf.**

No members of public attended and no concerns were raised for this item.

**0924/05. To consider the following planning applications**

1. **NP/DDD/0824/0869 – House 1, Former Coal Yard, Humphrey Gate, Taddington.** It was resolved that the Clerk will send a letter of support regarding this application.
2. **Any others received since Agenda published.** None were received.

***Action - Clerk***

**0924/06. To receive an update from Cllr Brady on National Park Matters, if any.** An update was received and it was noted that the preliminary consultation on the Local Plan is online.

**0924/07. To discuss arrangements regarding the upcoming Local Plan.** It was resolved that the Clerk shall compile availability of the Parish Council and arrangements will be finalised via email.

***Action – Clerk***

**0924/08. To discuss any updates around the restoration project at High Well and High Mere.** This was discussed. The Clerk updated that two grant applications have been made, and a response received from Nestle, who are refusing any financial contribution at this time. Further checks will be made surrounding the potential water supply, with a view to deciding at November’s meeting on proceeding with the STW quote.

Regarding fencing, it was resolved to finalise measurements and ensure the contractor understands the work required, via another site meeting and to then proceed with the received quote as soon as possible. ***Action -Clerk***

**0924/09. To note the present condition of Village footpaths and the current position around maintenance.** It was resolved that the Clerk shall write to the Rights of Way department confirming that costs for footpath maintenance are beyond the financial provision through the Rights of Way work funding and to ask what the position may be next financial year.

The following updates were noted regarding historic rights of way matters;

* ***New Lane*** – the department plan to draft the Order in the coming months.
* ***Broadway Lane***- the Order is still waiting to be submitted to the Secretary of State for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, and it is envisaged that this will happen in the next few weeks.
* ***Dokindale*** – no update has been received since July where the draft order was still awaited within the Rights of Way Department.

The Clerk will continue to chase these applications. ***Action - Clerk***

**0924/10. To decide arrangements for November’s Remembrance Sunday.** It was resolved that Cllr Walsh will be present for this occasion.

**0924/11. To discuss any updates around the Parish Council Filing Cabinet.** The Clerk has checked the history surrounding this and has a possible lead regarding locating keys. This item will be back on the agenda when further information is available.

**0924/12. To discuss whether there are any further updates around the Village Gateways Project.** The application for this was submitted in May 2024; the Clerk has continued to chase this, and Derbyshire Highways Hub responded today that the application is still in consultation phase.

**0924/13. To discuss the condition of the grass verges at Gregory Croft and who is responsible for maintaining these.** It was resolved to write to Derbyshire Dales Council to make them aware of the issues here and to ask whether regular mowing can be resumed next year. ***Action - Clerk***

**0924/14. To discuss motorbike activity and speeding on the A6 carriageway.** Road safety, speeding and noise remain strong concerns locally. It was resolved to use Village Emails to promote the Derbyshire Talking survey and recommend all residents with concerns report these through the survey. It was also resolved that the Clerk will liaise with the Safer Neighbourhoods team regarding voluntary monitoring and any potential solutions available. ***Action - Clerk***

**0924/15. To discuss the 2024 Snow Warden Scheme run by Derby County Council.** This will be advertised via Village emails.

**0924/16. Finance**

1. **To receive a statement of the Council’s current financial position from the Clerk.** An update was provided by the Clerk regarding current position. The Parish Council’s bank accounts have a balance of £14,683.14 and have been fully reconciled to today’s date.

**b) The following invoices were approved for payment (total - £939.14)**

* Clerk Salary May and June 2024 - £483.14.
* Clerk Expenses - £30 (WFH allowance), £32.40 (mileage), £13.60 (stamps), total £76.00
* Alder Garden Services invoice 11685 (July recreation garden maintenance) £180.00 and invoice 11780 (August recreation and memorial garden maintenance) £180.00. Combined total - £360.00
* Nathan Bunseedhun – bus shelter cleaning July 2024 - £20.00

**0924/17. To confirm the date of the next Parish Council Meeting, set for November 12th, 2024, at 6.30pm.** This was confirmed. The meeting was closed at 7.55pm.