

OVERSEAL PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Meeting of the Council held at the Village Hall, Overseal on Thursday 7 July 2016.

Present: Mrs C M Knight - Chairman
Mr A W Cook, Mr R Cox, Mrs J Cunningham-Gardner, Mrs S Jones, Mr M A Knight, Mrs R O'Brien and Mr S C Sharpe.

In attendance: Cllr Mrs M E Hall and Cllr P Murray (South Derbyshire District Council), Cllr Mrs K Lauro (Derbyshire County Council) and Mr D McMillan, PCSO.

Apologies for absence were received from Mr M S Patrick.

30 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

Mrs M Elton declared an interest in minute no. 36, planning application no. 0567 Creation of vehicular access and hardstanding, 36 Lullington Road.

31 PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

None.

32 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 2 June 2016, copies of which had been previously circulated, were approved as a true record.

33 COUNTY, DISTRICT AND POLICE MATTERS

33.1 District Council.

Cllr Mrs M E Hall mentioned the stench from the New Albion site that was spreading over the local area as it was not covered and agreed to take this up herself. The Chairman had also brought this to the attention of the district council.

Cllr Mrs K Lauro reported that the smell from the drains in Stanleigh Road that had been a previous issue had now been put down to the New Albion Site. However, it was considered to be more localised and was clearly emanating from drains. Water from drains was still flowing down Moira Road.

Site visits had been requested for the Green Lane development and for 149 Woodville Road

It was agreed that the Clerk would write to the operators of the New Albion site with the concerns over the smell.

It was reported that the drains at the crossroad of the A444 were still full and had not been cleared despite resurfacing and were causing a water run-off down the road.

33.2 Police. Crime statistics for June were submitted, which showed several vehicle-related crimes. Following reports of antisocial behaviour, the Police and the Neighbourhood Warden had both been asked to give attention to the recreation ground.

33.3 County Council.

Cllr Mrs Lauro had reported pot holes on Lullington Road. The holes on Hallcroft Avenue were deteriorating and despite surface dressing in the area had not been repaired.

The County Council had introduced a community priorities programme, which could aid voluntary groups needing help with funding.

The roads where surface dressing had taken place had not been cleaned and this was causing pedestrians problems and wheelchair users. The dressing was already breaking up at the Moira Road junction.

Concern was expressed about the lack of lane markings on the A444 leading from Burton into the village. As a three lane road, cars were overtaking, not necessarily where they should be.

34 COUNCILLORS' INSPECTION REPORTS

Inspections had taken place of the land owned by the Council and a rota system for future monthly inspections was planned. The draft record sheet also required some modification. It was agreed that two pairs would inspect together, namely Mr A W Cook/Mrs M Elton and Mr S C Sharpe/Mrs J Cunningham-Gardner.

35 CLERK'S REPORT

35.1 Progress report. A progress report on various matters previously raised was considered (copy attached to the official copy of the Minutes).

35.2 Forward Planning. The Council received the report on Forward Planning issues (copy attached to the official copy of the minutes).

35.3 Mr M Patrick. Mr Patrick last attended a meeting on 6 August 2015 and had been unable to do so since because of ill health.

RESOLVED: That Mr Patrick's absence be formally approved and extended for up to 6 months from this meeting.

35.4 Solar farm. The panels and equipment would be installed by Trina Solar and TSF (a subsidiary), a Swiss-based company. Access to the site would be from M42 via A444 to a track short of the village and would be limited to about 3-4 lorries per day. Before that, installation of pile foundations would take place for a maximum of 3 weeks and this work would not take place outside the permitted hours. Future activity on the site would be limited to monthly maintenance inspections.

Under the S.106 Agreement, the company should make a contribution to local facilities and had asked what was required. Installation of solar panels at the Village Hall, which would also serve the changing rooms and the Pavilion, had been mooted but other projects could be considered. If panels were to be installed on the roof of the Village Hall, the company advised replacement of the roof felt as the panels would be in place for around 30 years. A local maintenance contract would also be required. However, significant savings could be achieved on the cost of electricity, including water heating by electricity instead of gas by installing an immersion heater. The Council suggested the installation of a fence at the bottom of the recreation ground to prevent footballs being lost or damaged in the hedge, the installation of solar panels on the Pavilion and provision of swings in the play area.

35.5 Changing rooms floor. A second quotation had now been obtained, from Harvey & Clark Ltd, and submitted to potential funders.

- 35.6 Use of Village Hall.** A request for a discount for the cost of hiring the Village Hall on Saturday 16 June from 9 am - 1.30 pm had been received. The event was a Nearly New Sale and proceeds would be donated to community groups. It was agreed to grant a 50% reduction.
- 35.7 Construction of access track to the recreation ground.** Three contractors had been invited to submit quotations for this and a height restriction barrier would also be required. Authority was given to the Chairman and Mrs S Jones to accept the most suitable quotation when received, to avoid unnecessary delay in implementing the work. An easement would be sought from the contractors who had carried out works on the Council's section of verge.
- 35.8 Emergency lighting system at the Village Hall.** Bartletts advised that the system no longer complied with present requirements and had provided a quotation for installing the correct equipment. It was agreed that the Clerk would seek further quotations.
- 35.9 Land adj. the recreation ground.** Crane & Walton had submitted for registration a strip of land adjoining the recreation ground and running inside the far boundary of the nature area. It was part of footpath 31 and had previously been shown as being in the county council's ownership; however, the Parish Council's deeds showed it to be Parish Council land and the registration had now confirmed that. Noted.
- 35.10 Local Plan Part 2 - consultation.** The District Council had published the Draft Local Plan Part 2, which dealt with:
- Non-strategic scale housing land allocations;
 - Settlement boundaries;
 - Development Management Policies dealing with housing, the built and natural environment, retail development and infrastructure

The consultation period would end on 15 August and the nearest drop-in events were:

- Rosliston Village Hall, Main Street, Rosliston - Friday 8 July 2016 from 2.30pm to 7.30pm
- Woodville, Goseley Community Centre - Tuesday 12 July 2016 from 2.30pm to 7.30pm
- Swadlincote Market, The Delph - Friday 1 July 2016 from 10am to 2pm

The housing aspects of this were covered to some extent in January at minute no. 92. A further report would be submitted to the next meeting. Of the housing site options which were put forward at that time, only two were now regarded as suitable - the sites at Acresford Road and Valley Road which already had planning permission.

Attention would be given to the development management policies.

- 35.11 Play equipment.** A Member considered that a wire rope could be supplied at a lower cost and installed locally to repair the defective play equipment.

36 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following applications had been approved:

0174 Erection of 2 dwellings, land at Sealwood Lane

0393 Single storey extension, 6 Moira Road.

Applications for decision:

0152/LCC Extension of period for importation of waste to 31 December 2017 and restoration of the site to 31 December 2018, New Albion site. As the period for response to this consultation expired prior to the council meeting, the following response was sent: *Overseal Parish Council would like to see the work finished as soon as possible. However, if a slight delay achieves a better result, they are prepared to accept that.*

0567 Creation of vehicular access and hardstanding, 36 Lullington Road. No objection but the County Council would be asked to check visibility for access to and from the road as it was on a bend.

(Mrs M Elton declared a prejudicial interest in this application and took no part in the discussion or voting thereon.)

0576 Erection of advertising stack board and 2 advertising flags with poles, land opposite 20 Valley Road. The plans were not clear as to the exact siting and the Council was concerned about the visibility on the bend; the proposed items needed to be set well back from the road.

0584 Extension and garage, 'Mauranda', Green Lane. No objection.

0585 Extension, 14 Valley Road. No objection.

0603 Internal works, The Coach House, 19 Squirrel Walk. No objection.

0524 Demolition of existing dwellings and erection of 6 dwellings, land adj.21 Gorsey Lees. The Parish Council is concerned about this application, which is adding to the numbers of properties on this unmade, private road and which rely on poor accesses to Moira Road and add to the traffic levels in the village. Additionally, there would be insufficient places at local schools to accommodate children of residents.

37 TELEPHONE KIOSK, SHORTHETH

The Council considered the future uses for the kiosk. The Clerk would arrange for the installation of shelves to enable the kiosk to be used as a means of exchanging books and other material.

38 ACCOUNTS**38.1 Accounts for payment**

Payment of the following accounts was authorised:

Cheque	Supplier	Description	Net	VAT	Total
2303	S Ruddle	Caretaker	521.67		521.67
2304	J M Summerfield	Litter	316.80		316.80
2305	E Evans	Litter	148.80		148.80
2306	J E White	Salary & Expenses	1140.38		1140.38
2307	HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE	579.40		579.40
2308	L Baxter	Assistance at Village Hall and toilets	93.20		93.20

2309	Crane & Walton LLP	Balance of fees, land adj. Recreation ground	54.00	30.00	84.00
2310	C M Knight	Reimburse cost of tea urn	70.34		70.34
2311	Ian Stone Gardening Services	Planters, beds & Daisy Lane	218.00		218.00
2312	Schoolgrounds	Clear public footpaths 18/19	125.00		125.00
2314	R O'Brien	Reimburse cost of de-scaler	5.99		5.99
2315	Glasdon UK Ltd	Grit bin	201.28	40.25	243.53
D/D	South Derbyshire District Council	Rates	38.00		38.00
D/D	TalkTalk	Internet charges	18.00	3.60	21.60
D/D	NEST	Pension contributions	25.42		25.42

38.2 Receipts

The following amounts had been received since the last meeting:

Name	Description	Amount
S Ruddle	Village Hall lettings	702.00
South Derbyshire District Council	Use of Village Hall as polling station	120.00

38.3 Audit. The Council's financial documents were inspected.

39 WEBSITE

Two Members were concerned that certain personal details were available on a Google search and asked that their mobile telephone numbers be removed from the Council's web site. Mr Cox agreed to make the necessary changes.

40 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

40.1 Recreation ground. Concern was expressed that the fence would not be re-sited in time for Gala day. The Gala Committee would be borrowing only 4 small and 2 long tables, which was less than last year. The total numbers of tables available would be reviewed and the matter included in the agenda for the next meeting.

40.2 Parking, Woodville Road. A car was parked on the pavement of the residential home regularly but they were unaware of the owner's identity. The PCSO had been given the registration number.

40.3 Hedges. Hedges were overhanging the footpath in Moira Road near to the Manor grounds. The Clerk would seek information from the Land Registry to identify the owners; this would also enable responsibility for the recent wall repair to be ascertained. The hedge adjacent to the junction of Moira Road and Hallcroft Avenue was also overgrown and the Clerk would contact the County Council to get it cut back.

40.4 Litter bin, Shortheath. The bin near the telephone kiosk was rusted and in a poor condition. The Clerk would arrange its replacement.

40.5 Table tennis table. The installation price had increased to £1250; while the District Council would meet £500 of this, the rest would be required from the Parish Council. There was concern that it could be misused and open to vandalism. However, it was agreed that to proceed with installation.

40.6 Play equipment. It was agreed to consider provision of swings at the next meeting.

- 40.7 Grass cutting.** The contractors mowing the top pitch and surroundings had disposed of grass cuttings at the bottom of the lower pitch, where they could become a hazard by over-heating. The contractors would be asked to dispose of them in a more suitable manner.

The meeting ended at 8.55 pm

Chairman