

OVERSEAL PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Meeting of the Council held at the Village Hall, Overseal on Thursday 7 June 2018.

Present: Mrs C M Knight - Chairman
Mr A W Cook, Mr R Cox, Mrs M Elton, Mr J Howes, Mr M A Knight, Mrs R O'Brien, Mr S C Sharpe and Mrs S M Ward.

Apologies for absence were received from Mrs J Cunningham-Gardner.

21 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

None.

22 PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

The owner of the smallholding on Burton Road (see minute 15.2, May 2018) attended the meeting and explained that the building materials on the site were for construction of an internal access to buildings at the rear of the property. There was no intention to develop the land other than as a smallholding and he was now tidying the land as ground conditions had improved.

Several residents referred to dangerous driving of vehicles when overtaking horses being ridden on local roads. The Police and Leicestershire County Council would be contacted regarding the section of road between the county boundary and the National Forest HQ, where a number of such incidents had taken place.

The President of Overseal Bowls Club thanked the council for their assistance over many years; the club had folded because of reduced numbers of members and therefore restricted revenue.

23 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 3 May 2018, copies of which had been previously circulated, were approved as a true record.

The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 3 May 2018, copies of which had been previously circulated, were noted.

24 COUNTY, DISTRICT AND POLICE MATTERS

24.1 District Council. The recycling bins had still not been returned to their correct place on the car park. As the District Council no longer had a lease of the car park, they would again be requested to close the recycling centre.

24.2 Police. The crime statistics for May showed a considerable increase in local crimes. The PCSO was now back on duty after a period of illness.

24.3 County Council. Speeding traffic on Lullington Road entering the village from Netherseal direction continued to be a problem. When vehicles were slowed because of parked cars, they often mounted the pavement, causing danger to pedestrians. The Police and Derbyshire County Council would be asked to deal with this.

The landfill site operated by Veolia was still emitting a stench, despite denials from the Company. The problem would be referred to the Environment Agency and Leicestershire County Council.

The parking restrictions near to the chip shop were sometimes being ignored and often, vehicles were parked further along the road. This had resulted in another accident. This would be referred to the Police and Derbyshire County Council.

Large potholes were reported on the Overseal-Netherseal road. Also, the former 40mph sign which had been damaged was now reduced to two poles and several advertisements for housing developments had been attached to them. These advertisements were prevalent throughout the village and the County Council would be asked to remove them.

25 STANDING ORDERS

RESOLVED: That the Council adopt Standing Orders as previously circulated.

26 CLERK'S REPORT

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

The Enforcement Officer of the District Council was issuing an Enforcement Notice to deal with the caravan and other materials on the land at Overseal Manor. Noted.

Additional caps for the goal post sockets on the top pitch would be purchased.

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

26.3 Library service. The consultation on changes to the library service had given rise to a suggestion that one of the back rooms at the Village Hall, or perhaps the Pavilion, could be used to provide a local, part time library service as had been the case some years ago. In addition to the location, implications would include obtaining books and changing the stock from time to time, staffing and (if the back room were used) relocating some of the computer equipment.

The County Council had said that the suggested changes to the timing of Mobile Library Services to Overseal were not possible because of the traffic congestion around the school, the car park was always full at that time, in the wintertime, it would be dark, and their experience showed that parents did not wish to linger.

26.4 Civic Award. The Council considered possible recipients of the Civic Award, which would be presented at the Gala in July; a nomination was approved.

26.5 School crossing patrol service. The County Council had said that they were not legally obliged to provide this service and it could be provided differently e.g. by sponsorship via the school, fund raising locally, joint arrangements between schools or contributions by Parish Councils. Withdrawal of funding by the County Council remained an option.

26.6 Overseal Bowls Club. The club had folded on 14 May and had asked that the Council acquire their remaining assets. In the short term, preservation of the green in a reasonable state had been maintained by arranging with the person who previously mowed and looked after the green that they continue to do so and bill the Council monthly pending decisions on the future.

26.7 Spring Cottage Fisheries. The Planning Enforcement Officer had inspected the site in response to the Council's concerns about footpaths and construction of a car park and did not consider there to be any breach of planning control on the Derbyshire section of the site.

He had observed a certain amount of low scale operational development but all of it was within NWLDC's area. He had walked around the Derbyshire section with the proprietor and observed no evidence of operations which appeared to him to constitute development requiring planning permission. He had discussed matters concerning future proposals which certainly will require an application and believed that the operator is clear on his responsibilities in that regard.

- 26.8 Data Protection.** The Data Protection Act had come into force on 25 May 2018 and brought into effect regulations which imposed new duties on the Council. Among them were the requirement to appoint a Data Controller and to publish a Privacy Policy. Other policies and documents would be presented to the Council for consideration shortly.

RESOLVED:

- (a) That the Council be the Data Controller, and
- (b) That the attached Privacy Policy be adopted and published on the website.

- 26.9 Telephone kiosk, Shortheath.** It was agreed to arrange painting the kiosk.

- 26.10 Use of the top football pitch.** Overseal Junior FC had asked for an under-18 team and an under-13 team be accommodated on the top pitch for the forthcoming season and also asked for a concessionary charge. The District Council had been asked for advice on the use of the pitch by three teams and, as the pitch had not been subject to undue wear in the last two years, they had suggested that the request be approved on a trial basis. They had also provided information on charges for similar facilities.

It was agreed to approve the Junior FC's request on a trial basis and to charge £1000 for the season for the use of both pitches by them; the charge for the additional adult team of Woodville Rangers would be £350, to be reduced to £300 for prompt payment.

Woodville Rangers had also asked that the Council consider allowing a container for storage to be provided at no cost to the council. They would be informed that the Council would consider this in principle.

- 26.11 Footpaths Group - Insurance.** The Council considered the supplementary report of the Clerk, which indicated that the Group could be covered by the council's Insurers if they gave advance notice of the work which they were intending to carry out. They already had appropriate training and equipment.

RESOLVED: That the Council agree to be responsible for the activities of the Footpaths Group on that basis.

- 26.12 Parish Council meetings.** It was agreed that all future meetings be held in the Pavilion, as this would allow additional use of the Village Hall and increase revenue.

27 COUNCILLORS' INSPECTION REPORTS

The reports were received; it was agreed to include inspections of the Pavilion in future reports.

28 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**The following applications had been approved:**

0193 Extensions, 49 Valley Road

0208 Garage, Park Farm, Acresford Road

0293 Extensions, 1 Edward Street

0389 Demolition of existing dwelling and construction of a new dwelling and detached garage, 151 Moira Road

Applications for decision:

2016/0327 - re-consultation - erection of a two-storey dwelling, land adj. 3 Acresford Road. Following consultation with Members, a response was submitted in these terms:

Permission was previously granted for a 2 bedroom dwelling on this site but the present application is for a 4 bedroom dwelling and four car parking spaces. A previous application for large house on the site was refused. The Parish Council is concerned about the over-development of this small site proposed by this application and the problems of vehicles emerging from the site at the junction with the main road.

0455 Replacement of existing garage doors with glazed doors, The Stableyard, Church Farm, Main Street (Listed Building Consent). No objection.

0273 Demolition of existing Garage and erection of extensions, 354, Burton Road. No objection.

0518 First floor and rear extension to the main house and detached garage with accommodation above, 163, Burton Road. No objection.

0517 Felling and pruning of trees covered by TPO 28, land adj. 66 Moira road. No objection as this was appropriate management of the trees. However, the District Council would be advised that the ownership of the land was in dispute and asked to consider the implications for this application.

29 VILLAGE HALL MATTERS

The Pre-school had asked to inspect the Pavilion and they would be advised to contact the Caretaker for admission.

30 WEBSITE

The use of the Pavilion for future Parish Council meetings would be reported on the website.

31 ACCOUNTS**31.1 Accounts for payment**

Payment of the following accounts was authorised:

Cheque	Supplier	Description	Net	VAT	Total
2562	RBL Poppy Appeal	Lamp Post Poppies	60.00		60.00
2563	S Ruddle	Caretaker			*
2564	E Evans	Litter	166.18		166.18
2565	J M Summerfield	Litter	90.05		90.05
2566	ESPO	Paper	29.20	5.84	35.04

2567	PHS Group	Sanitary disposal service	258.70	51.74	310.44
2568	Swadlincote & District Lions Club	Donation towards defibrillator	825.00		825.00
2569	Ian Stone Gardening Services	Mowing & renewal of planting in the planters	1489.84		1489.84
2570	Kompan Ltd	Balance of Play & fitness equipment	5184.70	1036.94	6221.64
D/D	TalkTalk	Internet charges	23.95	4.79	28.74
D/D	NEST	Pension contributions	31.16		31.16

31.2 Receipts

The following amounts had been received since the last meeting:

Name	Description	Amount
S Ruddle	Village Hall lettings	1147.00
South Derbyshire District Council	S.106 contributions (fitness & play equipment)	19221.91
South Derbyshire District Council	S.106 contributions (changing rooms floor repair)	6646.11
J Lunn	Use of Pavilion	20.00

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

32 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

32.1 Grass cutting. The land at Daisy Lane had still not been mowed by the District Council, who would be pressed to do so. The embankment at the recreation ground and the land at Manor School View should also be done.

The open space at Bailey Avenue was also in need of maintenance.

32.2 Valley Road development. The development was substantially complete, but a number of ancillary matters were not yet done, including the footpath and bridge, and the Developers would be asked to complete these as soon as possible.

32.3 Footpaths clearance. Ian Stone would be asked to strim and spray footpaths 18 and 19, together with New Walk. The overhanging trees at footpaths 18 and 19 would be referred to the landowners for attention. The planters at the Village Hall also needed realigning.

33 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC.

RESOLVED: That the Press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items in pursuance of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business.

34 CLERK'S REPORT

34.1 Bowls Club. Discussions would be held with the club with a view to the Council acquiring some of their equipment.

34.2 Car park and Nature Area. Discussion was deferred to the next meeting when further information should be available.

The meeting ended at 9.00 pm

Chairman