

OVERSEAL PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Meeting of the Council held at the Village Hall, Overseal on Thursday 2 October 2014.

Present: Mrs C M Knight - Chairman
Mr R Cox, Mr A R Hart, Mr D M Holloway, Mr M A Knight, Mrs R O'Brien, Mr M S Patrick, Mr S C Sharpe and Mr I Sheppard.

In attendance: Cllr Mrs K Lauro (Derbyshire County Council)

Apologies for absence were received from Mrs S Jones and Cllr S Frost (South Derbyshire District Council).

50 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

Mr S Sharpe declared an interest in item 51 insofar as it related to the planning application for 59 dwellings at Valley Road.

51 PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Organisers of the annual Pantomime asked for confirmation of bookings for next year's event. The Chairman undertook to contact them when she had made the necessary enquiries.

Mr S Sharpe enquired whether a site visit in connection with the Valley Road application had been requested and, if so, when it was to take place. He was assured that a request had been made but that no further information had been received.

52 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 4 September 2014, copies of which had been previously circulated, were approved as a true record, subject to the following corrections:

Minute 49.1 Old chairs. The old chairs were to be replaced with new plastic chairs, not metal as stated;

Minute no 49.9, Footpath 43. The stile was to be installed, rather than 'had been installed'.

53 COUNTY, DISTRICT AND POLICE MATTERS

53.1 District Council. The Clerk would enquire whether planning permission was required and if so, whether permission had been granted, in the following cases:

Conservatory at the property next to the church centre;

Parking within the front garden of 13 Woodville Road;

Garage, 1 Woodlands Crescent.

The Clean Team had been asked to deal with rubble and plaster dumped in the lay-by in Park Road, but had not yet done so.

53.2 Police. Crime statistics for September were presented. The Police had undertaken speed checks in Hallcroft Avenue after receiving requests to do so and had offered advice to one driver.

53.3 County Council. Cllr Mrs Lauro reported that she had enquired about installing waiting restrictions near to the supermarket on Burton Road, but that this was unlikely to be supported. The area was considered to be too remote for enforcement and short term parking for loading and unloading were to be

expected. Members took issue with these views and pointed out that the stops were to allow shopping or consuming food, being the last stop before the motorway, the south-bound lane being most affected by parking. It was noted that some HGVs parked on the footpath and that this was causing damage. The Police would again be asked for assistance.

The question of air pollution arising from vehicles stopping at the traffic lights was a health matter, to be dealt with by the District Council. A manhole cover plate in Valley Road did not at present warrant repairs.

Cllr Mrs Lauro had been informed on a proposal to undertake works on trees subject to a Tree Preservation Order on land adjoining Overseal Manor. The Clerk was asked to obtain up to date information on all TPOs in the village.

The mobile library was to stop at Overseal in the third week of a four week cycle, starting in January. Cllr Mrs Lauro was asked to obtain dates, so that they could be published.

54 CLERK'S REPORT

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

54.2 Temporary road closure. Lullington Road and Woodville Road were to be closed during the evenings - 6.30 pm - 12 midnight - between 6 and 10 October to allow resurfacing works to take place. If the work was completed earlier, then the roads would be re-opened.

54.3 Daisy Lane. The District Council had set on a contractor for the paths and were in the process of agreeing a start date, which was likely to be in October. They would usually mow during March/April and September, and suggested that, as the wildflower meadow had not yet been created, the Parish Council could probably supplement with a May/June and late July cut. Once the paths were in there may be a requirement to mow more frequently along the path margins. These suggestions were agreed and the early mowing by the District Council in 2015 would be monitored.

54.4 Village Hall. The contractor who installed the LED lights had been asked for alternative quotation to bring the fire alarm and emergency lighting systems up to current standards.

54.5 Top football pitch. A meeting with the District Council and a Consultant had been arranged for 3 October to construct a revised bid to enable the pitch drainage problem to be overcome.

54.6 Planters. Ian Stone Gardening Services had been appointed to maintain the planters and beds and would start work towards the end of October. Some urgent work may be carried out earlier. The previous contractor had been informed and asked to submit his final account.

54.7 National Forest 'Grow a tree from seed' scheme. The National Forest was inviting participation in this scheme, which encouraged people to pledge that they would grow a tree from seed. Mr Knight reported that Netherseal were to grow seedlings from a Boscobel Oak in their parish and that they would be planted out in 2018, coinciding with the end of the First World War. A possibility was that Overseal could do something similar and perhaps create an avenue linking with Netherseal. The idea found favour and would be pursued.

- 54.8 CCTV.** The new system was due to be installed in early October
- 54.9 Almshouses.** RESOLVED: That the Chairman be nominated as the Council's representative on the Management Committee for a further period of three years.
- 54.10 Snow Warden Scheme.** The County Council were inviting participation in this scheme, including ordering one tonne of grit for use in snowy weather. It was agreed to do so.
- 54.11 Summer Sports Programme.** The District Council had provided usage figures for this year's scheme, showing that 382 participants had taken part.
- 54.12 Dates of meetings.** The Clerk reported that the normal date of the meeting in May 2015 had now been scheduled for elections. It was agreed:
- (a) that the Annual Meeting in May 2015 be held on 14 May
 - (b) that the meeting in January 2015 be held on 8 January.

55 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following application had been approved:

0658 Erection of a dwelling at 10 Woodville Road (outline)

Applications for decision:

0852 Variation of condition to alter the approach for access during construction, land at Lullington Road. Supported.

0848 Dropped kerb and creation of off road parking, 13 Lullington Road. Supported.

0893 Replacement dwelling, The Oaks, Green Lane. Supported.

0858 Continued sale of carpets and furniture, 2 Woodville Road. The Parish Council has no objection to the application as it stands, i.e. for the sale of carpets and furniture. However, they are concerned that the premises are being used more as a general store as sales of food, drinks and white goods are also taking place.

LCC 0178 Revised restoration scheme, Albion landfill site - Veolia Environmental Services. No objection.

56 ACCOUNTS

56.1 Accounts for payment

Payment of the following accounts was authorised:

Cheque	Supplier	Description	Net	VAT	Total
2083	L Baxter	Caretaker	430.72		430.72
2084	J Kirby	Cleaner	201.92		201.92
2085	J M Summerfield	Litter	60.52		60.52
2086	T Stewart	Litter	156.00		156.00
2087	J E White	Salary & expenses	1045.20		1045.20
2088	HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE	654.00		654.00
2089	KH Packaging & Disposables Ltd	Cleaning materials	85.69	17.14	102.83
2090	Broker Networks Ltd	Insurance premium	1841.67		1841.67
2091	R F Gardening	Autumn planting of planters etc.	710.00		710.00

D/D	South Derbyshire District Council	Rates	37.00	37.00
D/D	South Staffordshire Water	Supply to old changing rooms	11.97	11.97
D/D	South Staffordshire Water	Supply to Village Hall	210.93	210.93

56.2 Receipts

The following amounts had been received since the last meeting:

Name	Description	Amount
L Baxter	Village Hall lettings	265.00
Overseal Pre-school	Use of Village Hall	1365.00
S L Warner Wellbeing & Fitness	Use of Village Hall	90.00

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

57 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

57.1 Shortheath telephone kiosk. Mr Knight reported that the notice board had now been installed in the kiosk and requested that the notice of Council meetings be posted on the board each month. This was agreed.

57.2 Land at Lullington Road. It was reported that shooting had taken place on the Council's land and it was agreed to inform the tenant that this was not allowed.

57.3 Overhanging shrubs. The owner of 26 Woodlands Road would be asked to cut back the shrubs overhanging in footpath. One of the properties in Coronation Street which had also had similar obstructions had now been dealt with, but the other had not. The owners would be contacted.

57.4 Wall, Moira Road. The dangerous condition of the wall was to be referred to the County Council to see whether they could assist. It was suggested that the coping stone could be removed for safety reasons as a temporary measure.

57.8 Fly tipping. Piles of small branches and tree cuttings had been left on the verge in Lullington Road and not removed for some time. Also the refuse bin was regularly left outside the property. As this was a Council house, the District Council would be asked to contact their tenant.

The meeting ended at 8.20 pm

Chairman