

Headon-cum-Upton, Grove and Stokeham Parish Council

Draft Minutes of the Meeting of 18th January 2016 held at 7.30pm at Headon-cum-Upton Village Hall

Present:

Cllr: Cllr.J.Wallwin - chairman
Cllrs: E.Briggs, C.Holliland, D.Landon, J.Landon, B.McGlen, A.McKiernon, J.Mosley, F.Withers
BDCllr. T.Critchley
Clerk: K. de Torre

Public Forum

Members of the public were invited to attend the forum session to talk about parish issues.

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies received from Cllr. B.Wielgus

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Minutes of meeting held on 7th December 2015

These were signed by Cllr.J.Wallwin on behalf of the council as a true record of events.

4. Matters arising from previous minutes

a) High Speed Broadband

Work is evident in Grove at the moment. We are told the cabling will run from the ground to the telephone lines, then to the houses. Two properties will be unable to receive the connection.

b) Hedge Cutting - Askham Road, Upton and Dog Kennel Hill

Areas of Dog Kennel Hill have been improved, but no further updates as yet although we are informed that it is in hand.

c) Car Parking in Headon

BDCllr T.Critchley reported that there is no movement on this unless the legal fees for transferring the car park to the parish council are paid by the parish council, this has already been rejected by the parish council as being an unfair approach by the district council.

The matter will be re-addressed if the situation changes and the district council decides to look more favourably on our request to adopt the car park.

d) Snowplough

Cllr. J.Mosley has inspected the snowplough, it is in full working order however, one of the small wheels is wobbly.

It is thought that larger wheels would be more suitable and Cllr. J.Mosley agreed to look into the possibility of changing them.

e) Telephone Boxes

Further information is required by BT before an investigation can commence:

- The exact location including post code (nearest address).
- The nature of the problem.
- And if possible, the phone number of the box.

It is believed, following the conversation with the BT adviser, that unless the phone / phone box is broken / not working, they will not attend to it. Spring cleaning a phone box is not part of the service.

It was agreed to put an item in the newsletter asking for residents to clean / adopt the two phone boxes (one at Headon, one at Grove).

5. **Police**
PC Bailey was unable to attend the meeting.
There were no other police reports.
6. **Highways**
a) Cllr. J. Mosley – potholes throughout the villages – members are encouraged to continue reporting potholes using the NCC Highways on-line fault reporting system.
b) Cllr. J.Wallwin – the finger posts have not yet been repaired – they are both reported and we have confirmation that they are scheduled for repair.
7. **Planning**
a) **Correspondence and Communications**
Ref: 27/09/00004 – Possible breach of planning conditions – Thorpe Farm Development, Thorpe Street, Headon – Bassetlaw DC will start an investigation.
b) **Applications:**
None.
c) **Decision Notices:**
Ref: 15/01475/FUL - Replace Cladding and Access Doors for the Existing Agricultural Stores - Grove Moor Farm, Treswell – GRANTED
d) **Any other Planning Matters:**
BDCllr. T.Critchley is to raise concerns that planning enforcement is always a very slow process, never treated as urgent, breaches of planning take a considerable time to investigate and responses are very slow.
8. **Neighbourhood Plan (NP)**
In order to make an informed decision, further information is required to ascertain the amount of work involved and the benefits gained. BDCllr. T. Critchley offered more information so that a Special Meeting could be considered (to include the public).
 - The funding will soon be withdrawn so if we wish to produce a Plan, we need to move fast to initiate the process and secure the funding.
 - Sturton NP is now adopted by the district council and could be helpful as guidance if we wish to go ahead, or in deciding whether a Plan would be beneficial to the parish.
 - The Clerk to Sturton Parish Council, Dave Langmead, has been very involved with their NP and may be willing to advise.

BDCllr. T.Critchley will send a link to Sturton's NP.
To consider this further at the next parish council meeting.

9. **Headon Village Notice Board**
Cllr. J.Mosley is investigating options/quotes for a notice board replacement.
A stainless steel notice board, single door, top hinged, 950x650 display area, on 80mm square posts would cost £500 to £600, the 'Headon Notice Board' header would be an additional cost. The positioning of this was suggested to be on the grassed area at the village hall car park entrance.
It was thought that as few people read the notices, spending this amount of money was unnecessary and maybe a re-positioning of the existing wooden notice board to a more central location in Headon would make more sense. The bus shelter was considered a suitable central location.
It was agreed that one of the councillors would re-position the wooden notice board at the bus shelter. Cllrs to agree who will carry out the work.

10. **Draft Budget 2016 / 2017**
The Clerk presented the final draft budget for approval by members, the budget is prepared based on the patterns of previous expenditure and has once again been calculated so as not to impact on the tax payer.
The budget was approved by members and will be submitted to Bassetlaw DC by the clerk prior to the February deadline.

11. **Finance**

a) **Payments**

The following amounts were paid:
Notts ALC Subs

Chq No.	Amount
549	£ 79.93

	£ 79.93

b) **Receipts**

The following funds were received:
None

Amount
£ 0.00

£ 0.00

c) **Bank balances**

After the above movements the balances in the bank accounts will be:

TSB	£ 4,944.53
Nottingham Building Society	£ 4,693.88

TOTAL	£ 9,638.41

12. **Correspondence and Publications**

Correspondence:

- none

Publications:

- Clerks & Councils Direct newsletter
- Tackling Rural Crime in Notts – leaflets – placed at the village hall

13. **Any Other Business**

a) Grove Level Crossing - BDCllr T.Critchley reported that figures and data of use are being prepared, also police and ambulance use. It is hoped that a special case can be made for re-addressing closure of the level crossing.

b) Grants to churches, village hall, village organisations – It was suggested that consideration be given as to whether our village organisations should be making written applications for grants from the parish council.
It was agreed to give this full consideration at the next parish council meeting.

14. Proposed date of next meeting: **Monday 7th March 2016**

The meeting closed at 8.10 pm.

Signed

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