

HOLBECK & WELBECK PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council Held at the Welbeck Club on Tuesday, 30th June 2015

Present: Councillors: R Brown (Chair), C Chambers,
J Cuckson, W M Woodcock (Clerk)

Also In Attendance: District Councillor Kevin Dukes,
PCSO Sharon Marsh, Matt Young (Grantscape)

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors S Cuckson, M Newton and D Snodin.

Resolved to accept the apologies for absence.

2. Declarations of interests

None

3. Public Forum

There were no members of the public present.

Chair introduced Matt Young, the representative of GrantScape, a grant-making charity appointed by Solarcentury to administer the Community Benefit Funds for the Hunciecroft solar development. Matt went on to discuss the Fund in detail. Money from the fund was now available. The amount, calculated on the size of the plant wattage, was £16,000, less 10% administration costs. There was no time limit on accessing and utilising the funds. It was up to the Parish Council to decide how the funds should be used although, according to draft policy, the company preferred environmentally friendly or bio diversity projects. Possible options were suggested, including enhancing broadband connections for residents. The Parish Council will consult with residents regarding how the fund should be utilised before any decision is made. Matt advised he would produce a suitable mailshot to be delivered to residents as part of his administrative role.

Chair thanked Matt for his presentation. Matt then left the meeting

The new District Councillor for Welbeck, Kevin Dukes, introduced himself to Members. He has been appointed as a Cabinet Member on Bassetlaw District Council. DC Dukes raised the following matters:

- With PC agreement, he wishes to hold surgeries for residents prior to PC Meetings. Surgeries will be by appointment. He is also available through social media – Facebook and Twitter.
- He has a Community Grant of £1000 to distribute and parish councils in his Ward can apply for funds from this grant for specific projects.
- DC Dukes advised he is particularly involved with rural/social isolation and attended the recent conference (item 10 – Correspondence refers) at which discussions included Notts. Rural Support, which targets support for people

- who have been in farming, village vending machines and defibrillators.
- Proposed development of the old Welbeck Colliery tip will change the water flow from Meden back towards the area partly within the jurisdiction of the Parish Council. Work to re-landscape the former pit site was due to be completed by 2020. There is to be a Bio Digester on the site which will have the potential to increase tractor traffic through the villages. Entrance to the site is on Budby Road.

Council expressed thanks to DC Dukes for his contribution.

PCSO Sharon Marsh then gave a report to the Parish Council:

- Recent crime figures are down in the area
- It is proposed to significantly cut the number of PCSO's in the County. In Worksop this will entail a reduction from 22 to 14. PCSO Marsh does not know how she will be affected and whether she will be able to continue on her current patch.
- She is able to provide visible security marking on equipment – garden tools etc. She can either arrange a group event for residents to attend or undertake marking for individuals. Anyone interested should contact her directly.

Council expressed concern at yet more potential changes in local policing and hoped Sharon would be able to continue in her role with them, having established a good working relationship. Constant changes in personnel over the years damaged relationships and destroyed continuity.

Council expressed thanks to PCSO Marsh for her contribution.

4. Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Tuesday, 19th May 2015 were accepted as a true record. The Chairman signed them accordingly.

5. Matters arising

None

6. Co-option to vacancies on the Parish Council

The Parish Council still had 3 vacancies; 1 for Holbeck and 2 for Welbeck. There had been an expression of possible interest from a resident. Members should urge anyone interested to contact the Clerk directly in the first instance.

Noted

7. Neighbourhood Planning

Councillor Chambers advised that leaflets summarising the Draft Plan had been distributed to all residents, which was now subject to a 6 week consultation process, from 5th June to 27th July, after which all comments received are collated and any necessary changes made to the plan.

The Celebrating our Community Festival was currently in progress and going well.

Noted

8. Financial statement and accounts for payment

Clerk reported that the balance of the Bank Account was currently £6,533.01. Council's insurance was due for renewal on 1st August.

[Clerk to agenda for the next meeting](#)

The Cooperative Bank had advised that interest would no longer be paid on the current account. The interest rate had been very low and total interest earned in 2014/15 had amounted to just £6.90.

All necessary items for publication had been sent to Bassetlaw District Council (BDC) in order to comply with the new Transparency Code. It had been necessary to purchase a scanner to comply with the requirement to send extracts from the Annual Return.

Resolved to give retrospective approval for the purchase of a scanner

Members were urged to consider the current presentation of Holbeck and Welbeck's link on BDC's website (item 10 – Correspondence refers) as suggested amendments, enhancement and/or improvement had been invited. An identifying logo could be added to the site if required.

A letter had been received from The Pensions Regulator (item 10 – Correspondence refers) regarding new automatic enrolment legal duties. The staging date for Holbeck and Welbeck Parish Council is 1 October 2016, which is the date when the law on workplace pensions comes into effect for the Parish Council. The letter required that a contact be nominated by 30 June 2015 and Clerk had responded naming herself as the contact.

Resolved to give retrospective approval for the Clerk to be nominated as the Parish Council contact to The Pensions Regulator

There were no questions.

Resolved to accept the financial statement and report and make payments as detailed below.

Proposed: Cllr J Cuckson

Seconded: Cllr C Chambers

500213	£65.00	H M Revenue & Customs – PAYE liability
500214	£12.52	Office Depot (UK) Ltd – Stationery
500215	£17.00	NALC – Local Council Review subscription
500216	£49.99	W M Woodcock – Reimbursement for scanner

9. Requests for donations/grants

None

10. Correspondence

A list of correspondence, received since the last meeting, was circulated to members. (Appendix A)

Noted

11. Street lighting

Nothing to report

12. Reports from representatives

None

13. Highway matters

Nottinghamshire County Council had advised that the large pot-hole in the lay-by on Park Lane had now been repaired.

Noted

14. Planning matters

None

15. Risk assessment

Nothing to add

16. Any other business

None

17. Date of next meeting

The next Meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Tuesday, 28th July 2015 at the Welbeck Club at 7:00 p.m.

To accommodate holiday arrangements, the meetings for September and October were also agreed as Tuesday, 22nd September (NB this was originally agreed as 15th September but had to be changed subsequently) and Tuesday, 13th October 2015

The meeting closed at 8:35 p.m.

Chair's Signature: _____

Date: _____

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Correspondence Listing: 30th June 2015

Originator	Dated	Details
Bassetlaw District Council	Email 21.05.15	Biggest ever survey to uncover true impact of policing & crime in rural areas
Bassetlaw District Council	Email 26.05.15	Parish Councillor Register of Interests
Bassetlaw District Council	04.06.15	Parish Councillors' Register of Interests
Bassetlaw District Council	Email 22.06.15	Agenda: Rural Social Isolation Conference – 24 June 2015
Bassetlaw District Council	Email 25.06.15	Transparency Code for Smaller Authorities – BDC webpage
Bassetlaw Parish Forum		Agenda: 22nd June 2015 Minutes: 19th January 2015
Clerks & Councils Direct	July 2015	Issue 100
Hope Community Services	12.06.15	Raising Awareness of Homelessness
Nottinghamshire Association of Local Councils	Email 26.05.15	Legal Briefing: L03-15 – Local Government (Religious etc. Observances) Act 2015
Nottinghamshire Association of Local Councils	Emails Various	Council News – TUPE, Employment tribunals, ACAS Guidelines re Holiday Pay
NALC	Summer 2015	LCR Volume 68, No1
The Local Government Boundary Commission for England	09.06.15	Electoral Review of Nottinghamshire: Draft Recommendations
The Pensions Regulator	May 2015	Automatic Enrolment Legal Duties
Various		Broadband matters