

OVER HADDON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting of Over Haddon Parish Council held at Over Haddon Village Hall at 8:00 pm on Monday 23rd September 2024

Present: Councillors: Zena Hawley, Sue Mosley, Tim Walton, Joe Oldfield, Parish Clerk, DDDCllr Gareth Gee

944 Apologies for absence

Council accepted apologies from: Cllr R Truscott

945 Variation of Order of Business and clerk's notification of time constrained items

No variations required.

946 Declaration of Members Interests

Interests declared in respect of this meeting: none

947 Public Speaking

a) Members of the public – None

b) Cllr G Gee (DDDC) reported that he had approved the Local Project Fund request from the PC. There may be more funds available. It was noted that the hedge round the war memorial has grown and the neighbours have requested if it could be trimmed back and remove the invasive species. The Clerk will ask Cllr Gee to request this work from the clean and green team. The cottage is up for sale with Fiddler Taylor. It was noted that adjacent to the cottage there is a path that has been partially cleared which makes it look as though it is a parking space but it isn't owned by the cottage. The rest of the path still requires clearing. Depending on the vehicle any car parked there could cause issue with the plantation. The path will also be blocked by any car there. The house was left to the village and then passed to the DDDC. The Council will receive £10,000 from the sale. The Council will also be able to pursue social housing if it is required at a later date. Cllr Walton noted that it should be made known that the land is not part of the sale. It isn't part of the particulars of the sale. This will be clarified with the District Council. New instructions from the government (MPPF) around affordable housing have been received and the numbers increased to nearly 600 per year in the Derbyshire Dales. GG feels this is undeliverable due to a lack of current sites. The National Park areas should be exempt from this. The council is putting together a defence explaining that the levels are too high. There has been a lot of development in surrounding areas such as Matlock, Darley Dale and Ashbourne. It won't directly impact OH. GG is having a meeting about the affordable housing development proposed at Stoney Close at the top of Bakewell. He will be looking into the demand for affordable housing.

948 To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 8th July 2024

Council approved the minutes for signature by the Chair.

949 To determine which items if any from the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded- none

Decisions received: None

Applications returned before the meeting: None

Applications:

Planning issues – Sough Mill, Lathkill Lodge, Medieval Strip Lynchets and Shepards Hut

Medieval Strip Lynchets – it was reported that the Peak Park have reported the wall removal to the EIA however it is thought that it is too small an area of wall to trigger an investigation. The Peak Park are using the case as evidence in their reports to the Government. The Clerk will raise this with the Local MP John Whitby. It was agreed to write to the Peak Park to complain about the lack of action. Derbyshire Archeologically Society will be contacted as well.

There is no update on Sough Mill and Lathkill Lodge. Sough Mill does have a heritage consultant and will be coming up for planning. It was noted that the owner has put rocks in the river. A site next to Lathkill Lodge had been sold to Natural England. It was agreed to invite the owner of Sough Mill to the next meeting.

Shepards Hut – it was agreed to ask the owners about this.

It was noted that a complaint had been received regarding Cllr Mosley and the Medieval Strip Lynchets from a resident which has been passed on to the DDDC Monitoring Officer. The Clerk will look into training for the Council.

Report of the Clerk / matters for decision: -

951 Highways and Footpaths

- Parking issues – Cllr Walton reported that there has still been some poor parking and the only way to stop it might be to request lines. The letter was delivered to the holiday home owners. It was noted that it is primarily a nice weather problem. It was noted that the cars do slow traffic. It was agreed to leave this for the year as it is the quiet
- Road Signage – Cllr Walton has sent information to the Councillors on the finger posts. It was agreed to ask for the parking sign pointing down the dale be removed. The current post behind Dale Cottage will be raised with the DCC and the new signpost on the triangle will be raised as well.

The Clerk has requested signage and for the 30mph signs to be moved out but has had no response from Cllr Sutton (DDC). She will chase this. The broken national speed limit sign has been reported and the DCC has declined to do the repairs. The Clerk will raise this.

- Footpath number 7 – Cllr Walton reported that the footpath is well used and there is a new wall. It is unclear who owns the field. Some walking maps don't show the path. It was agreed to talk to a former councillor who had dealt with the issue previously. The footpath has been reported.

952 Allotments and Village Assets

- Application for Allotment Extension – it was agreed to allow the extension right to the wall including the pond. It was noted that the mini plot has been untouched all year. There is not a lot to report and a survey will be required next year.

953 Active Improvements

Bus Shelter – Funding has been obtained and this will be done in the spring.

954 DDDC Lathkill Car Park Review – the Clerk sent in the response to the review.

955 Toilet Block Cleaning – the Clerk reported that the cleaner has decided to retire from

the job. It was agreed to send flowers and a letter to Mrs Lowe thanking her for her work. The Clerk has sourced another cleaner on the recommendation of Mrs Lowe and will discuss the cleaning provision with him tomorrow.

- 956 Benches - Cllr Walton reported that he has sourced a price for a matching bench to the one at the hall. The Clerk will chase the residents who wanted to place a bench down the dale. It will be checked with highways whether the bench can be replaced. It was **RESOLVED** to spend up to £500 on a new bench for the Dale.
- 957 Noticeboards and Village Communication – Cllr Walton raised that a noticeboard is needed and the village emails should be posted on this and on other village noticeboards. The Parish Council noticeboard is too small for many notices. The DDDC will consider a noticeboard on the toilets after the review of car parks.
- 958 Holiday Let Noise – Cllr Walton reported that he had received a complaint about holiday let noise from a resident and requested that resident report any issues. This will be put in the village newsletter.
- 959 £10,000 Grant Fund Ideas – Cllr Hawley reported that the funds are going to be available upon the sale of the cottage. The DDDC officer is going back to the Council to clarify how the Parish Council can have the funds. Gateway signs were raised. It was agreed to hold on to the funds until a large project comes up.

It was **RESOLVED** at this point to extend the meeting 30 minutes.

- 960 Assets of Community Value – Cllr Hawley reported that she and the Clerk had looked into putting an ACV on the methodist chapel. It was agreed to do this in May 2025 as this is the earliest time that it can be reapplied for as the PC previously applied in 2020.
- 961 Village Bin Provision – Cllr Mosley requested another bin down near the grit bin next to the lamp post. The Clerk will look at quotes for costs. Thanks, will be given to the resident who does the litter picking.
- 962 Over Haddon in Bloom – there is no update at this time. No more daffodils will be planted. The sheep will be done again next year.
- 962 Parishes Day – 12th October 2024 – The Clerk is trying to clarify whether Cllr Walton can take Cllr Hawley's place on the PPPF. Cllr Hawley will attend the Parishes Day in the morning.
- 963 Financial Report
Current Account. Balance £6182.05 @ 9 September 2024
Savings Account Balance £9368.84 @ 9 September 2024
- a. It was **RESOLVED** to present the following accounts for Payment:
- Ubdpyt Payee:- Mrs S Bacon £300.41 for Clerks Salary (Aug)
 - Ubdpyt Payee:- Mrs S Bacon £207.41 for Clerks Salary (Sept)
 - DDR Payee: NEST - £15.35 (Sept)
 - Ubdpyt Payee:- Mrs E Lowe £160.00 for 2xwk cleaner (Sept)

- b. Income to Note
DDDC Bus Shelter Grant: £150

- c. Budget Appraisal/Risk Assessment
The Clerk presented the new finance sheets.
It was **RESOLVED** to accept the budget as presented.

962 DALC/PDNPA reports and notices –. no

PPPF – covered in Parishes Day

20s Plenty – no news.

Community Speed Watch Scheme – no news

Neighbourhood Watch – Cllr Hawley reported that a meeting is being put together for residents to get updates as a drop-in session and to get more residents signed up for an alert. The alert will be tested shortly. 80 or 90 people are signed up at present.

More signs have gone up and the PCSO attended the village show.

Wombles – No news

- 963 Village hall – Work has been started on the playground wall and it is closed until the work is done. The surface is coming off and requires replacement. An access ramp will be placed as well.

Date of next meeting.

11th November commences at 8:00pm

Dates of meetings- 11th November (2nd Monday bi-monthly)

The meeting ended at 10.28pm