# **OVER HADDON PARISH COUNCIL**

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Minutes of the meeting of Over Haddon Parish Council held at 8:00 pm on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021 using Video Conferencing in accordance with Covid19 Legislation

Present: Councillors Penny Aitken, Zena Hawley, Sally Mosley, Steve Pope, Roger Truscott (Chair), Parish Clerk and 1 member of the Public

#### PART I - NON-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

- 586 <u>To receive apologies for absence</u> No Apologies necessary
- 587 <u>Variation of Order of Business and clerk's notification of time constrained items</u>
  Council agreed the Planning application be included due to the 28 day comment deadline. No variations required.
- 588 <u>Declaration of Members Interests</u> Interests declared in respect of this meeting: none required
- 589 Public Speaking
  - a) Members of the public
  - b) PCSO Morris & DCllr M Wakeman sent apologies. DCllr Alasdair Sutton was asked about 20 is Plenty and fully supports it.
- 590 <u>To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2021</u> Council approved the minutes for signature by the Chair.
- 591 <u>To determine which items if any from Part 1 of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded-</u> none
- 592 Planning Applications and Reports

**Decisions received:** NP/DDD/1220/1179 – Listed consent Vernon Cottage – internal alterations to bathroom and bedroom to create two shower rooms and smaller third bedroom– granted

**Applications:** NP/DDD/0221/0113 – Hallyard House - Erection of new double garage with internal staircase to loft home office/ music room

Council objects the to proposals as put forward due to the intrusive aspect and extension of the village building line. It considers that timber cladding will define the building more intrusively than natural stone as the nearest agricultural buildings clad in this manner are some distance away so it needs to blend with to the materials of the house.

Being highly visible from the approach road to the village, Council has already asked on previous applications in this area that the car park be screened along the northern boundary with native species to hide this area and the distance from the house for this building would reinforce the view that the northern boundary to this property include for native species screening for this application too.

Other Planning matters: Chase enforcement as no reports yet received.

#### Report of the Clerk / matters for decision: -

## 593 Highways and Footpaths

ROW3222938 Bridleway- no further comments, Council welcomes the permanent legal cessation of off road vehicle destruction of this bridleway. No reports back on other outstanding issues.

#### 594 DDDC Lathkill Toilet Block cleaning

Agreed that the resumption of twice a week clean for the summer months is to resume in April.

#### 595 The Plantation

Students to return once Covid restrictions allow.

## 596 20 is Plenty and Community Speed Watch Scheme Grant

Community Speed Watch training is awaiting the end of lockdown for phase II. 20 is Plenty is fully supported by this council and it looks forward to raising awareness to educate motorists. A photo of a 20 is Plenty sign held by our Chair at the Village name board was authorised for publicity use.

#### 597 Allotments and Boundary Trees

Agreed to give quarter plot to first on waiting list. One remains on list and Councillors will carry out an allotment inspection and contact plot holders not using sections to ask them to release an area. Ash Dieback needs sorting out and quotes will be obtained to cut down the diseased trees to stump level and remove materials from site. Delegated to the clerk to circulate by email to councillors and place an order prior to the next meeting.

#### 598 Dalc Climate Emergency

The last zoom meeting saw organisations locally offering – seminar on Recycling, Warmer Derby and Derbyshire to give free advice to local houses, sustainable living tours of a group of earth houses available to councillors, etc. It was agreed to invite suitable organisations to an event later in the summer. Report on Lathkill Dale from Natural England describes parts of the SSSI as degrading with little tree regeneration and Council agreed to contact Natural England for more details.

### 599 Local Government Boundary Changes

Council strongly agrees that villages stay together and wishes to rejoin the Lathkill and Bradford Ward which will maintain its numbers for a District Council and serve our community best with rural villages banding together with like needs. Council will send an email to villagers to ask them to look at the Boundary Commission proposals and put their comments to them on its website.

## 600 Financial Report

Current Account. Balance £2283.80 @ 1 March 2021 Savings Account Balance £5019.49 @ 1 March 2021

## a. Accounts for Payment

Ubdpyt Payee:- Mr H M Lovell £168.49 for Clerks Salary (Mar)

- DDR Payee: NEST for £12.47 (Mar)
- Ubdpyt Payee:- Mr HM Lovell £20.55 for expenses
- Ubdpyt Payee:- Mrs E Lowe £100.00 for 1xwk cleaner (Mar)
- Ubdpyt Payee:- Mr H M Lovell £168.49 for Clerks Salary (Apr)
- DDR Pavee: NEST for £12.47 (Apr)
- Ubdpyt Payee:- Mrs E Lowe £200.00 for 2xwk cleaner (Apr)
- Udpyt Payee: DALC £107.53 subscription

- Udpyt Payee: PPPF £12.00 subscription
- b. Income

Allotments £176.00 Vat Refund £75.84 Honesty Box £6.10

c. Budget Appraisal/Risk Assessment

Internal accounts for Year End have been circulated. The Council Risk Assessments on assets have been carried out and remedial works will be carried out as follows:

- 1) Ask 3 allotment holders to cover their water butts; 2) find a volunteer to stain the main noticeboard to keep in repair; 3) monitor deterioration of stonework on war memorial area; 4) note the bus information will need updating after Covid and that the defibrillator is reported monthly direct to Webnos and its pads need replacing before end of July 2021.
- 601 Report of Village Hall representative The hall can reopen on 17<sup>th</sup> May but will decide at next week's meeting on the future and needs additional members.
- 602 Annual Parish Meeting has been moved: 10th May 2021 7:30pm by Zoom

Date of next meeting.

Monday 10th May 2021 by Zoom at ~8pm (follows APM) - Contact Clerk for link

Dates of meetings- 12<sup>th</sup> July, 13<sup>th</sup> September, 8<sup>th</sup> November

PART II - CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

none

The meeting ended at 21:58

## Have your Say: Local District Boundary Changes

Since the last change to the District Boundaries in 2011, Over Haddon has become a backwater of Bakewell intermittently represented by its 3 District Councillors but never on the major issue of the financing of the Lathkill Toilet Block from their extremely profitable car park. Prior to this time it was part of Lathkill and Bradford Ward which has seen a tradition of successive Independent Councillors champion village needs for its rural communities. When the Boundary Commission informed us that the review was to take place and that their ideal was 2 District Councillors per Ward and noted a shortage of population in the Lathkill and Bradford Ward and Bakewell to maintain an even population distribution per Councillor. Over Haddon saw the opportunity to return to the rural Ward where its interests would not be secondary to town needs and with its numbers make up the shortfall and along with Youlgrave and Middleton and Smerrill Parish Councils wrote to the Boundary Commission to express this logical desire that geographically and economically makes sense with the needs of all the communities of the Lathkill and Bradford (Monyash and Harthill currently complete the Ward) served by their own District Councillor.

The Boundary Commission proposals totally ignore this logic noting a desire by Bakewell Town Council and local Conservative party to abolish the independent Lathkill and Bradford Ward to maintain 3 councillors in Bakewell. Under their proposals Youlgrave and Monyash are to become further minor subsidiaries of Bakewell. Harthill Parish and Middleton (no longer) by Youlgrave (Middleton and Smerrill Parish) are to form part of a corridor Ward to be known as Winster and Bonsall.

Your parish council strongly believes that Village communities are best served by their own representative and will be writing to the Boundary Commission to express our views and desire to see their plans changed. It urges all members of the community to do likewise.

The Boundary Commission's consultation is asking for public responses to its proposals and if you follow the link below you will find more information including maps and YOU CAN MAKE YOUR VIEWS KNOWN. The closing date is 12th April 2021

https://consultation.lgbce.org.uk//have-your-say/22484