

Brampton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parishioners meeting and Annual meeting held on 13th May 2024 at Wadshelf Village Hall

Present: Councillors K Lawrie, J Fell, N Cunnane, C Ainley, P Elliott, B Colwill, M Thacker (District) and D Phipps

Also Present: A Anderson (Clerk)

Parishioners Meeting

013/24-25 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs A Wood and K Lane

014/24-25 Chairmans Report

The Chair gave the following report for 2023-24

Over the last 12 months, the Parish Council has maintained its meeting schedule, meeting each month and exceptionally also including August. I am pleased that we have continued to be able to run with a full complement of Councillors, supported with regular attendance from our District Councillors.

We continue to comment on applications received from North-East Derbyshire, Derbyshire County Council and the Peak District National Park. The Neighbourhood Plan was completed and adopted, and thanks should be recorded to David Catton for driving this project forward to such a positive conclusion and also to those members of the Council who contributed to the process. Thanks also to Cllr Nicola Cunnane who has taken over as 'custodian' of the Neighbourhood Plan. The Plan has already been of use in supporting our objections to proposed developments within the Parish.

Wadshelf Village Hall has continued to see increased activity and I am pleased to report that it is now back in the black. Over the last couple of years, I have supported Wadshelf Village Hall with donations from my Chairman's Honorarium to avoid eating into reserves, and it is now in good shape for the future. It is hoped that some improvements can be made to the Hall soon to freshen it up. Cutthorpe Institute has been subject to further ongoing development and the Trustees are to be commended for their efforts in securing significant funding for some of their projects.

The playgrounds at Cutthorpe and Wadshelf continue to be inspected on a weekly basis and we have replaced the rotten fence around the play area at Wadshelf.

We have received support our MP Lee Rowley, who held some 'Meet your MP' meetings in December. Lee also supported the Wadshelf Well Dressing group with a donation to help them become established.

I would like to conclude by offering my grateful thanks to all the members of the Parish Council for their support over the last year and for their active and cordial participation in our meetings. I would particularly like to commend the efforts of our Clerk, Adrian Anderson who keeps us on the straight and narrow.

I am confident that the Council remains in a strong position to deal with whatever challenges lie ahead in the next 12 months and I look forward to working with you all.

Dave Phipps – Chairman.

015/24-25 District and County Councillors

Cllr Thacker gave the following report from District

In May 2023 Peter Elliott and I were re-elected as District Councillors to serve Brampton and Walton Ward. We deem it a great privilege to have the support of local electors and represent all residents.

At the first meeting of North East Derbyshire's Full Council, I was elected as Chairman of the District for the civic year 2023 – 2024. This is the second time I have undertaken this role, which is apolitical. Once again, I am fortunate to have Jean as my Consort. We chose to support Ashgate Hospice.

Ashgate Hospice is a charity situated in Brampton and Walton Ward. They are grounded in a passion for doing their best for cancer patients and those important to them. They provide specialist palliative and end of life care, as well as support to adults and their families across North Derbyshire. Compassion is their watch word.

The support we have had from local people for our fundraising has been outstanding. Holymoorside Bowls Club organised a community event, which included a special appearance from some alpacas! An art exhibition in the Ward from Denise Phelps realised £1000. Brampton Parish Council generously donated to the Appeal. Jean and I have been touched by the number of Brampton and Walton residents who attended our special occasions and assisted us in making a difference for the Hospice. We offer sincere thanks to you all.

I was pleased to be invited to Walton Holymoorside Primary School to talk to an assembly about my role as a District Councillor. It was great to meet staff and pupils and hear about issues that matter to the school community. I had the chance to meet with the Eco Committee and see some of the projects the children have implemented linked to caring for our environment. On a separate occasion, the Headteacher and I discussed parking issues and efforts to combat those who are less than considerate towards others in the village. We are aware of similar issues at Cutthorpe and Wigley Schools.

As a District Councillor it has been important to continue the campaign for a reliable bus service for our rural community. A public meeting with Hulleys elicited some reassurances but unfortunately did not always transfer into practice. There has been liaison with Derbyshire County Council, which included raising awareness about issues. There have been changes to bus services further afield but Hulleys has retained a commitment to this Ward in some form.

Planning matters continue as a feature of Ward work. Residents are aware of my continued stance that we must protect the green belt. Preserving the rural nature of the Parish is paramount.

Thank you to those who have attended surgeries at the Old School Room in Old Brampton, Holymoorside Village Hall and St. John's Church. A variety of matters have been shared. It has also been good to talk with you during 'street surgeries.' Of course, you don't need to wait for a 'surgery' opportunity to get in touch about concerns. Peter Elliott and I are elected to serve you and only too happy to help.

016/24-25 Any other business

No members of the Parish were in attendance

Meeting Closed at 7.15pm

Annual Meeting

017/24-25 Election of Chairperson

Cllr Elliott proposed Cllr Phipps is re-elected as Chair. Cllr Fell seconded. All in favour

Resolved: Cllr Phipps elected as Chair for 2024-25

Cllr Phipps signed the acceptance of office

018/24-25 Election of Vice-Chairperson

Cllr Phipps proposed Cllr Lawrie is re-elected as Vice-Chair. Cllr Elliott seconded. All in favour
Resolved: Cllr Lawrie elected as Vice-Chair for 2024-25

Cllr Lawrie signed the acceptance of office

019/24-25 Annual review of governing documents

The Councils Standing Orders and Financial Regulations were approved unamended

All in Favour

The Clerk is to ensure all relevant policies are on the Councils website and to look into online banking.

020/24-25 Declarations of interest

Cllr Phipps declared an interest in Item 12 b iv) Chairs Honorarium. It was agreed that he would stay in the meeting but take no part in discussion or voting thereon.

Cllrs K Lawrie and B Colwill declared an interest in item 12 b ii) Review of allotment fees, as allotment holders. It was agreed that they would remain in the meeting but take no part in discussion or voting thereon.

021/24-25 Public Speaking

- a) There were no members of public present. However, Cllr Ainley raised the ongoing issue with horse riders and traffic, particularly through Wadshelf and Old Brampton. The Clerk had received a response from Cllr Angelique Foster in her position as Portfolio Holder for Highways at the County Council. The Clerk requested that Cllr Ainley forwarded all relevant details to him so that he could inform Cllr Foster of the issues.

- b) Cllr Thacker relayed that he had taken part in the Old Brampton open day of bell ringing recently as a charity event. Refreshments were available at the Old School Room.
He informed the meeting that Cllr Morley is the new Chair of NEDDC with his nominated charity to be made public in due course.

022/24-25 Minutes of meetings

Cllr Lawrie proposed acceptance of the minutes from the 15/04/2024. Cllr Cunnane seconded. All in favour.

Resolved: The minutes of the meeting on the 15/04/2024 were approved as an accurate record.

023/24-25 Date and venue of next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on 13th June at Cutthorpe Institute.

It was agreed to move the October meeting to Wadshelf.

024/24-25 Village Halls

- a) Cutthorpe Village Hall
 - i) Cllr Lawrie confirmed that it was the intention to close the hall in October to allow for the replacement kitchen works to take place. Quotations have been received and

updated resulting in a slightly higher price due to additional electrical works. It is also intended to replace the shed outside at the same time.

The charity also recently had its AGM at which it was reported that they had broken even for the first time since the Covid pandemic. Cllr Lawrie was also elected as the Chair for the year.

b) Wadshelf Village Hall

Cllr Phipps reported that he is awaiting a condition report for the hall to inform any works required going forward. The hall is also back in the black with three regular groups using the hall, including the well dressing group which is open to all parishioners.

025/24-25 Meeting Reports

a) Cutthorpe Playground and recreation ground

i) There was discussion around an email sent by a resident concerning the sight screens at the cricket ground which could prove hazardous in high winds. Following discussion this was felt to be a valid concern and the clerk will contact the cricket club to see if a resolution could be found.

Cllr Lawrie also requested the figure for the amount left in the budget following the playground installation. The Clerk will provide the figure.

b) Wadshelf Playground

i) Nothing to report

c) Works

i) Cllr Phipps reported that the grass is ready for cutting in Wadshelf playground.

ii) There was general discussion around maintenance of benches in the parish. It was agreed that the Clerk would forward the Asset list for consideration.

d) Parish Plan

i) Cllr Cunnane confirmed nothing to report but that she is arranging a future meeting.

026/24-25 Parish Council Liaison with County and District Councils

Cllr Phipps reported that road repairs appear to be ongoing to various standards. It was noted that the damaged chevron sign at Old Brampton has not yet been addressed. (Reported ref FS-Case-604059529)

027/24-25 Planning

The Council considered the following applications and had no comments.

Application No: NED 24/00316/AGD
Parish: Brampton Parish
Ward: Brampton And Walton Ward
Officer: Mr Colin Wilson

Application for prior notification for Proposed Agricultural Storage Barn at Cow Close Farm Overgreen Cutthorpe for Mr S Coles

It was noted that this has been refused

Application No: NP/GDO/0424/0442
Site address: National Grid Telecoms Rodknoll Radio Station, Rodknoll Lane,
Brampton Moor
Development
Description: GPDO Application - Installation of development ancillary to radio
equipment housing and ancillary development thereto.

The following decisions received from the District Council, Peak District National Park
Authority and Derbyshire County Council were noted.

Application No: NED24/00157/FLH
Parish: Brampton Parish
Officer: Mr Stephen Kimberley (4PD)
Responsibility: Delegated
Agent: Miss Charlotte Stainton
Two storey side and rear extension with Juliet balcony, single storey rear extension, Velux
roof light and a new vehicular access (re-submission of previously refused application
23/00439/FLH)(Conservation Area) at 29 Main Road Cutthorpe Chesterfield S42 7AJ for Mr J
Wreghitt
REFUSED - 15 April 2024

Application No: NED23/00825/FL
Parish: Brampton Parish
Officer: Mr Kenneth Huckle
Responsibility: Delegated
Agent: Mr Tom Shiels
Demolition of stables and workshop, rear and side extensions forward of existing dwelling,
alterations to openings, terraces and associated landscaping (Amended Plans) at The
Cottage Oxtan Rake Road Oxtan Rakes Barlow for Mr Duncan Fuller
CONDITIONALLY APPROVED - 12 April 2024

Application No: NED23/00883/DISCON
Parish: Brampton Parish
Officer: Ms Susan Wraith (4PD)
Responsibility: Delegated
Agent:
Discharge of Condition 5 and 6 (Flood Risk Report) pursuant to previously approved
19/01097/FL at Land To The East Of Rodknoll Lane And Opposite Game Lea Farm Rodknoll
Lane Eastmoor S42 7DB for Chatsworth Settlement Trustees
FURTHER DISCHARGE REQUIRED - 24 April 2024

Application No: NED24/00134/TPO
Parish: Brampton Parish
Officer: Mr Kenneth Huckle
Responsibility: Delegated
Agent: Miss Charlotte Stainton
Application to prune 1 Sycamore tree covered by NEDDC Tree Preservation Order 22 at Ivy
Cottage Farm Netherfield Lane Wadshelf Chesterfield for Mr and Mrs Spencer
CONDITIONALLY APPROVED - 22 April 2024

028/24-25 Finance

i) Cllr Phipps moved that the following payments be approved. All in favour

Reference	Payee	Description	Amount
Cheque no 2180	A Anderson	May wages & expenses	£474.63
Cheque no 2181	HMRC	Tax and NI	£108.80
Cheque no 2182	A Anderson	Stationery (Printer Cartridges, paper and stamps)	£103.39
Cheque no 2183	EMAS Ltd	Internal Audit	£ 70.00
TOTAL			£756.82

Cllr Phipps and Cllr Lawrie signed the cheques.

- ii) The Annual Governance statement for 2023-24 was reviewed, approved and signed by the Chair and the Clerk
- iii) The Accounting Statements for 2023-24 were reviewed, approved and signed by the Chair.
- iv) Following discussion, it was unanimously agreed that the allotment fees for 2024-25 remain at £7.00. The Clerk will send out the invoices.
- v) Following discussion, it was unanimously agreed to raise the Cricket Clubs ground rent to £573.10, a 4.75% increase as per the contract.
- vi) Following discussion, it was unanimously agreed to increase the Chairs Honorarium to £500 for 2024-25

029/24-25 Circulars and reports

The following correspondence was noted.

- i) DCC Community news emails x 4
- ii) Chairs golf day email
- iii) Parish & Town Council Liaison email
- iv) Chairs Sunday Lunch email
- v) Local SNT newsletter email
- vi) Chairs Ireland Colliery brass band email
- vii) Email from resident regarding cricket club sight screens
- viii) Peak District National Park news email x 2
- ix) DALC May newsletter

030/24-25 Information for the meeting

Nothing to report at present

Meeting closed at 8.05pm