

Chinley, Buxworth and Brownside Parish Council

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting
held on Wednesday 27 November 2024 at 7.30pm
in the Parish Room, 3 Lower Lane, Chinley**

Present: Councillors M Walton (Chairman), P Wilson (Vice Chairman), A Knox, R Drabble, C Rofer, P Took, J Mulryan, M Travis and C Denton.

In Attendance: Clerk G Cooper, PC J Schofield and one member of the public, J Plumbly.

24/11/184 **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were noted from Derbyshire County Councillor Ruth George and High Peak Borough Councillor Angela Benham.

24/11/185 **Declaration of Members Interests**

No declarations of interest were made.

24/11/186 **Public Speaking: Community Police**

PC J Schofield presented a monthly crime statistics report covering the parish.

24/11/187 **Public Speaking: Borough/County Councillors/MP**

Reports from both Derbyshire County Councillor Ruth George and High Peak Borough Councillor Angela Benham had been circulated in advance.

24/11/188 **Public Speaking: Open Forum**

The one member of the public present did not speak during Open Forum.

24/11/189 **Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 23 October 2024**

RESOLVED: Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 23 October 2024 be approved for signature by the Chairman as a true and correct record.

24/11/190 **Chairman's Update**

The Chairman noted an excellent turnout at the recent Christmas Lights Switch On event in Chinley.

24/11/191 **Clerk's Report**

The Clerk's report was received and noted.

24/11/192 **Chinley Community Centre Project**

An update on the project was given. It was noted that the terrace would now be finished with a resin bound gravel surface rather than paving slabs. Since the weather dictates the laying of this surface, practical completion may need to be accepted prior to this being completed. There are no cost implications.

An overview of the funding status for the project was given. It was noted that correspondence had been received from Wain Homes (North West) Ltd confirming that their £40,000 contribution to the new community centre project in respect of Phase 3 of the Forge Road development would be paid on 29 November 2024.

Further, the timing of the s106 monies anticipated as a result of the Alders Meadow development was discussed since the development is still under construction.

It was noted that the contractor had not issued an invoice for payment prior to the meeting, and it was expected that two invoices would be presented at the December meeting.

RESOLVED: To clarify with High Peak Borough Council the terms of the s106 agreement with respect to the contribution anticipated towards the Community Centre project.

24/11/193 **Play Area and Parish Land Inspection Reports**

The weekly Play Area Inspection Reports were received. There were no matters arising requiring attention.

The quarterly Parish Land Inspection Reports were also received for Buxworth Recreation Ground and Squirrel Green. In Buxworth, it was noted that a tree had fallen on the banking below the school, and work to rectify this would be included with the forthcoming tree works. No other matters required attention.

24/11/194 **Co-option**

It was noted that one vacancy remains to be filled by co-option and one application had been received and circulated. This candidate was present and was considered for co-option.

RESOLVED: To co-opt Jim Plumbly as a councillor onto the Parish Council. The new councillor to take up their role once the Declaration of Acceptance of Office form and a declaration of eligibility have been signed.

24/11/195 **Grit Bins**

The latest grit bin audit was presented. Quotes were presented for the purchase of bulk bags of grit and to collect and fill the required grit bins.

RESOLVED: To approve the purchase of up to 2 x 800kg bulk bags of grit from Chapel DIY Centre Ltd at a cost of £83.33 plus VAT per bag. To approve the quote from Mark Lomas for up to £120 to collect the grit and fill 7 bins.

24/11/196 **Species Survival Fund**

Derbyshire Wildlife Trust's final proposals for intervention work at Buxworth Recreation Ground as part of the Species Survival Fund project were presented for consideration.

RESOLVED: To approve all of the proposals presented, which includes meadow improvement, bramble removal, tree planting, footpath clearance and planting of wildflower patches close to the main amenities area.

24/11/197 **Planning Applications**

One application was considered.

RESOLVED: To approve the following comment for submission:

- (a) **HPK/2024/0421** – Proposed single storey rear extension, roof renewal with additional heritage-style roof lights, high performance heritage-style uPVC replacement windows. 8 Alders Lane, Chinley, SK23 6DW.

Chinley, Buxworth & Brownside Parish Council has no objections to this application.

24/11/198 **Accounts for Payment November 2024**

The Accounts for Payment in November 2024 and invoices for verification were presented. A transfer proposed within the Parish Council's existing banking arrangements was presented.

RESOLVED: To approve the following transfer within the Parish Council's existing banking arrangements.

From	To	Amount
Unity Trust - Current Account T2	Unity Trust - Instant Access Account	£95,000.00

RESOLVED: To approve the following for payment in November 2024 by the method detailed. Online payments set up by the Clerk and released by Councillor Walton.

Payee	Description	Amount
ONLINE – DD/SO		
Fleur Telecom	Broadband (Monthly)	£ 34.76
Jackson Carpets Ltd	Rent 3 Lower Lane (Monthly)	£ 277.00
WaterPlus	Water 3 Lower Lane (Monthly)	£ 39.63
Trusted IT	Managed IT Services (Monthly)	£ 22.55
Unity Trust Bank	Bank Service Charges (Monthly)	£ 9.00
BT	Telephony services	£158.58
ONLINE – BACS		
Various	Salary Costs & Expenses	£ 1,965.36
P Manford	Cleaning Parish Room	£ 12.00
G Burley & Sons Ltd (Plantscape)	Winter planters	£ 318.00
G Burley & Sons Ltd (Plantscape)	Winter planters (initial invoice incorrect)	£ 456.00
Viking	Stationery	£ 81.56
Higher Myers Ltd	Hire of MEWP and operator to carry out works to ash trees in Buxworth	£ 684.00
The Society of Local Council Clerks	Annual membership SLCC	£ 190.00
A K Products	Printing Christmas service sheets	£ 60.00
Mark Lomas	Balance of Grounds Maintenance Works 2024/25 & Hedge (Chinley Car Park)	£ 2,739.00
Andy Thompson Tree Care	Tree Survey 2024 Works (Part)	£880.00
NOVEMBER 2024 TOTAL		£ 7,927.44

24/11/199 **Income Received**

RESOLVED: To note the following income received:

Received From	Amount	Reason
National Lottery	£ 48,230.47	Grant Payment Claim 5 (Community Centre Project)
HMRC	£ 16,194.40	VAT refund
High Peak Borough Council	£ 40,000.00	UK Shared Prosperity Fund Grant Payment (Community Centre Project)

24/11/200 **Budget 2025/26**

Arrangements to discuss the provisional 2025/26 budget in advance of the Full Council meeting in January 2025 were considered.

RESOLVED: To set up an informal remote meeting via Zoom on Tuesday 14 January 2025 at 7:30pm to discuss the provisional 2025/26 budget. All councillors invited.

24/11/201 **Correspondence**

The following items of correspondence had been circulated with the meeting papers and were noted:

- 1.) Derbyshire Association of Local Councils – details of the Local Government Services Pay Agreement 2024.
- 2.) High Peak Borough Council – details in respect of a consultation on their draft Statement of Principles required by the Gambling Act 2005. Deadline for responses 13 December 2024.
- 3.) Local resident – application for co-option.
- 4.) High Peak Borough Council – confirmation that the Road Closure Order has been granted, signed and sealed in respect of Chinley Christmas Lights Switch On 2024.
- 5.) Derbyshire County Council – response to enquiry concerning the access issues on Chinley, Buxworth & Brownside Footpath 18.

The following item was received after the Correspondence had been issued with the meeting papers and was duly noted:

- 6.) Hathersage Parish Council – advising they are not pursuing their idea to seek funding from other parish councils towards the running of their Open Air Swimming Pool in exchange for reductions in season ticket/monthly pass charges at this time.

24/11/202 **Reports from Working Groups**

No reports were received from Working Groups.

24/11/203 **Exclusion of the Press and public**

RESOLVED: To approve the exclusion of the Press and public from the meeting for the following one item to consider confidential matters of a personnel nature.

24/11/204 **Clerk’s Salary Award**

It was noted that further to the National Salary Award announcement, the backdated pay award had now been paid to the Clerk.

There being no further business, the meeting was concluded at 8:37pm.

Signed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

Chairman

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