



MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 24 JULY 2023

Those present :

Chair : Cllr S Clough

Vice-Chair : Cllr K Wood

Councillors : Cllr C Curzon, Cllr D Drabble, Cllr C Eggington, Cllr C M Fletcher, Cllr T Lacey, Cllr C Lacey, Cllr H Laws, Cllr B Morris, Cllr S Reed, Cllr B Rice, Cllr J Sherman, Cllr W Tinley, Cllr J Windle

Officers : Mrs G Blank, Mrs J France

22/297 Chair's Announcements

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

22/298 Apologies for Absence

All Members were present.

22/299 Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary & Other Interests

a. To receive declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests (DPI) and personal and prejudicial interests from members on matters to be considered at the meeting in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 (section 30 to 33). Officers are required to make a formal declaration about council contracts where the employee has a financial interest in accordance with the LGA 1972, s117.

Cllr Laws declared an interest in item 8e.

b. To receive, consider and record Members requests for DPI dispensation (section 31 Localism Act 2011) in connection with items on this agenda. Applications for this must be made in writing to the Clerk prior to the meeting.

None received.

22/300 Adjournment for Public Participation

To adjourn the meeting for 15 minutes to allow members of the public, 3 minutes each, to make representation on the business of the agenda for the meeting. No resolutions can be made under public participation.

No members of the public who were present had any comments or questions.

22/301 Reports from County and District Councillors & Invited Guests

To receive reports from County Councillors, District Councillors and any invited guests.

Cllr C Lacey said that currently NEDDC had no funding streams available to create a play area at Delves Road.

22/302 Exclusion of the Press and Public - Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings Act) 1960

To consider and resolve any agenda items that require the exclusion of the Press and Public in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 for matters appertaining to confidential or exempt information.

There were no items that required the exclusion of the press and public.

22/303 Minutes from the previous meeting

a. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on the 26th June 2023.

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 26th June 2023 are a true and accurate record.

b. To receive an update on an ongoing issues not covered as an agenda item.

The Clerk gave the following updates:

- The office has received an invoice from NEDDC for outstanding utility charges on the parish office building dating back to June 2021. This is the first time the office has received anything relating to utilities for the building since the lease with NEDDC started in May 2021 and the Parish Council were under the impression that bills were covered by NEDDC as part of the terms and conditions of the lease. NEDDC have also said that the Parish Council will need to pay all utility bills directly going forward. This could see the costs for the current parish office building rise to over £6500 per annum. The Clerk is challenging the invoice and has asked why the Parish Council have only just been made aware of the issue. The current 25 year lease for the building can be reviewed in May 2024, with a six months notice period required to give up the building. The intention was to keep the building for storage and as a base for the maintenance officers when the parish office move next door into the community hub, but this may need to be reconsidered with the additional charges. The Clerk will come back to the next meeting of full council with more information when she has it.
- The Heritage Society have requested the permanent use of a room in the community hub to store and display items of Killamarsh Heritage. The room would be open to the public at various times throughout the week. The Heritage Society are currently seeking funding in conjunction with the Clerk to enable them to pay for the rent of a room. Their proposal will then be brought to the next meeting of full council.
- The lighting work has been completed in the community hub. There may be some funding available going forward for the installation of solar panels or to make the heating system in the hub more environmentally friendly.

22/304 Environment & Climate Change Committee

a. To receive the draft minutes of the meeting held on the 12th July 2023.

The minutes were received.

b. To receive and consider the Committees recommendation for the installation of CCTV and approve where applicable - ENV 142

Cllr Reed summarised his report that had been circulated regarding CCTV, with a recommended option for the most suitable CCTV system. Cllrs Reed, Tinley and Clough had spoken to, and received recommendations for, one of the companies who had provided a quote and an amended quote had been provided to the office with some additional ANPR cameras, which provide the best option for number plate recognition.

Cllr C Lacey said she appreciated the work that had gone into the research and proposed that the council agree the recommendation from Cllrs Reed, Tinley and Clough. Cllr Laws seconded the proposal and all were in favour.

RESOLVED: To approve the installation of CCTV as per the recommendation and for the office to complete a grant funding application to assist with the cost.

c. To consider and approve the installation of a plaque on Linear park to acknowledge the funding for the wildflower bed and approve the appropriate wording - ENV 144

RESOLVED: The installation by Killamarsh Conservation Group of a plaque at Linear Park wildflower bed was approved with the following wording, "Created by volunteers of Killamarsh Conservation Group with the permission of Killamarsh Parish Council. Funded by Derbyshire County Council's Community Leadership Scheme through Councillor Diane Charles. April 2021."

d. To consider and approve whether the Council should continue to use its resources to maintain the land at Pingle ENV 145

Councillors agreed that the maintenance by the Parish Council handypersons of the land at Pingle had been a temporary measure, to give Derbyshire County Council time to contact the landowner, and should be discontinued, as the Parish Council should not be setting a precedent in maintaining land that did not belong to them. The grass cutting had been taking a considerable amount of time out of the part-time handypersons schedule, and taking them away from other Parish Council duties. The office was asked to write to DCC stating that the Parish Council would no longer be cutting the grass at Pingle.

RESOLVED: That the Parish Council should write to DCC stating that they would no longer be maintaining the land at Pingle.

e. To consider and approve the offer and schedule of works from M Hewitt to maintain the Cemetery in addition to NEDCC - Schedule of works to be circulated once revision received - ENV 146

The office had not yet received a revised schedule of works from Mark Hewitt with the three required amendments. Cllr Laws said he would chase this up with M Hewitt's office.

RESOLVED: The offer of works at Killamarsh Cemetery by M Hewitt was approved in principal, subject to the amendments being agreed and an updated schedule of works being received.

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Planning

- To determine any action required on the planning application information, from lists circulated by the office previously.

No action was required.

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Reports from Members

- To receive reports from Parish Councillors who have attended recent meetings or events on behalf of the Parish Council including representation on external bodies:

a. Veolia Norwood

Cllr C Lacey reported on the site visit that had taken place by herself, Cllr T Lacey, the Deputy Clerk and the Business Apprentice. She said it was an interesting and informative visit and that the Veolia management had confirmed that none of the chemicals or processes involved in a previous incident twenty-five years ago at the site were in use in the present day. Veolia would welcome future site visits by the Parish Council.

b. Chesterfield Canal Trust

Cllr Laws distributed some Chesterfield Canal Trust visitor guides and said he would try and get a more detailed plan for the new route through Killamarsh which should be completed within the next 8 to 10 years. He gave a brief update on the work that the Chesterfield Canal Trust are doing in conjunction with the Chesterfield Canal Partnership.

c. Community Support for Killamarsh (Bread Charity)

No update.

CLlr Windle asked if the current accounts of Community Support for Killamarsh (Bread Charity) could be provided to Council.

d. NEDDC/Parish Liaison

No update.

22/307 Items for discussion for a future agenda

- Utility charges for the current parish office building
- The lease for the current parish office building.
- The use of the community hub by the Heritage Society.
- CLlr C Lacey asked for a schedule of when the office was staffed.

A member of the public and former councillor asked about a housing survey that had been circulated in Killamarsh. CLlrs Reed and C Lacey were aware of it and had reported it to NEDDC, as the survey was from a private company, but had stated it had the approval of KPC and NEDDC, which was not the case.

22/308 Date of the Next Council Meeting

- To note the date of the next full council meeting is scheduled for 25th September 2023.

CLlr Laws wanted to convey his thanks to the Events Manager for all the hard work she had put in for the village festival that unfortunately had to be cancelled due to the weather conditions.

The meeting closed at 7.55pm.