

## **DERWENT AND HOPE WOODLANDS PARISH COUNCIL**

### **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2017 AT THE LADYBOWER INN**

Present: R Cottrill (Chair), A Robinson (RFO), G Woodhead (Vice Chair), W Middleton, J Gascoigne (Clerk) & 2 parishioners.

Agenda suspended to allow the parishioners to speak.

Miss K Birkenshaw and Mrs J Cubison voiced their concerns regarding increased traffic on the closed roads and also about the National Fell Running Relays. They reiterated the problems faced by residents who have no mobile signal or internet connection. Both parishioners remained in the meeting to assist with these issues as they arose in the agenda.

01/17 No apologies.

02/17 No declarations of interest.

03/17 Minutes read and approved.

04/17 Matters arising from the minutes;

- a) The Parish Council website has been launched and parishioners informed. Rod Dunn has been thanked for the use of his photograph on the home page.
- b) Water leak reported at the last meeting has been repaired.
- c) Alport Project – Mr Matthew Pocock, the new senior Estate Manager for the National Trust will contact the Forestry Commission to see if any further progress can be made. He will also look at the regenerating trees. PC to chase up in due course.
- d) National Fell Running Relays 2018 – several comments received from parishioners all of which are against holding the event in Derwent. The National Trust and Bob Berzin from Dark Peak Fell Runners to be informed. Kath Birkenshaw reminded us that the moors are under SSSI and HLS regulations and this event on top of all the others may cause these regulations to be contravened.
- e) Head Ranger, Paul Wetton will put up 'No Overnight Camping' signs in a prominent position at the end of Derwent Lane.
- f) Increase in number of vehicles driving to King's Tree and Derwent village at weekends. Gate have to be left open at all times to allow access for Blue Badge vehicles and cyclists. P Wetton to look at staffing to see if anything can be done.
- g) Aircraft in the Derwent Valley. Civil Aviation Authority require photos, plane ID and dates and times of specific incidences before any action can be taken.
- h) DCC emailed to confirm that bus service 273 is currently not under review.

- 05/17 a) Following Cllr Middleton's report to Highways about leaf mulch on the road, the road was cleaned on 12<sup>th</sup> December and is much improved.
- b) Drains on Skew Bridge were jetted on 22nd December.
- c) Potholes on A57 on bends before the Snake Inn to be reported.

06/17 Correspondance.

- a) Two pews, originally from Derwent Parish Church, are now installed in St Henry's Hall. Letter to be sent to Mrs Mary Birkenshaw to thank her for helping the Parish Council to procure them.
- b) Planning application NP/HPK/0515/0386 to increase the size of the hydroelectric station by a small margin plus other minor alterations. No adverse comments.
- c) Email response required to DCC Executives Office regarding information requested on broadband provision.
- d) Thank Cllr Helliwell for her offer of funds from the Councillors Initiative Fund. We have no requirement for funding at the present moment because we currently hold sufficient reserves to cover spending plans.
- e) Outdoor Charity Events. Email to be sent to National Trust and PDNPA highlighting our concerns about the ever increasing footfall across the sensitive moorland areas and reminding them of their obligations to prevent any damage under current environmental regulations.

07/17 Beacon to commemorate 100 years since the end of WW1 – check with National Trust for their views.

08/17 Report from Hope Valley Parishes meeting which Cllr Gascoigne chaired. Poorly attended therefore not possible to progress any of the current issues.

09/17 Finance.

- a) Electricity supplier remains British Gas.
- b) Outside lighting at St Henry's. Cllr Robinson to make an appointment with local electrician.
- c) Pews – donation of £100 per pew to be offered to Rev Jude Davis.
- d) Gravel on path and some extra tidying at St Henry's required. A Jolley to be paid for any gardening and any supplies purchased for the hall.
- e) LPG bottles need to be moved by extending the gas pipes and path cleared to make it easier for deliveries of gas bottles.

Payments:

Chq 525 - £87.50 A Jolley  
Chq 526 - £232.62 Aon Insurance  
Chq 527 - £125.00 Website set up

Balance at 05.01.2017 £4955.45

10/17 Items for next agenda.

- a) Working party suggested to clear side of road outside St Henry's Hall and fill with gravel making it easier to park. 10 – 12 am Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> March.
- b) Pre – planning letter received from EE mobile network to erect masts which will provide the emergency communication service in Hope Woodlands and Derwent. Two masts will be required, one at Hagg hostel (where it will be screened to a large extent by existing trees) and one at the side of Ladybower Dam which will be much more visible. The PC would like a site meeting to find out more details - about screening at the Ladybower site and the extent of signal coverage beyond Fairholmes and along the Hope Woodlands valley.

11/17 Date of next meeting Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2017, 8pm Ladybower Inn.

Meeting closed at 9.45pm.