DERWENT AND HOPE WOODLANDS PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 26TH OCTOBER 2022 AT ST HENRY'S HALL DERWENT

Present: R Cottrill (Chair), G Woodhead (Vice Chair), A Robinson (RFO), W Middleton (Website), J Gascoigne (Clerk). One parishioner.

57/22 Apologies: S Helliwell

58/22 Declarations of interest: none

59/22 Minutes of the previous meeting approved and signed

60/22 Matters arising: reply from PC Davies – emails to him reporting incidents do not necessarily translate into statistics. Therefore, report any incidents to 101, Facebook or Twitter.

Clerk to check if PC Davies has made any progress with locking the gates at Fairholmes visitor carpark to help prevent anti-social behaviour.

61/22 Highways and PROWs. The A57 was closed to the general public for one month during October and was only completely blocked for five days. It has now reopened with weight restrictions and with traffic lights remaining for the foreseeable future. Further drilling will take place on another area near Alport Bridge where cracks have appeared but the road will be open.

The 'no parking' signs at the bottom of the lane to the Sawmill have been pulled out and thrown onto the bank following a fell running event on 15th October. STW will reinstate. The same event caused inconvenience to householders by partially blocking their right of way. Future events to be monitored.

62/22 Correspondence. A report on the community broadband project from Peter Robinson is attached.

Regarding the enforcement of the PSPO (banning of open fires & bbqs) – DCC expect the police to enforce this because they have insufficient staff. DCC also expect the general public to report any fires direct to the police.

Highways - email regarding an alteration to a TRO (Traffic Restriction Order) to increase the number of car parking spaces on the A57 next to Ladybower Reservoir by five spaces. This would mean cars parking onto the bend near to the traffic lights Clerk has responded with a strong objection.

63/22 Update from STW emailed to parishioners. There is no progress to report other than environmental assessments are ongoing and drilling will commence once planning permission is granted.

64/22 Planning applications – NP/HPK/0822/1086 and 1087. STW have applied to drill into the dam structures to obtain core samples.

65/22 Cllrs Gascoigne and Robinson attended the Peak Park Parishes Day by zoom. The themes were housing and nature recovery. Details of presentations and discussions available from PDNPA.

66/22 Finance.

Income	VAT return	£446.71	
	Precept	£327.00	
Expenditure	Electricity	£25.50	d/d
		£25.84	d/d
		£25.13	d/d
		£26.05	d/d
	Caretaking	£150.00	chq 606
	Web domain	£168.00	chq 607
	Account audit	£120.00	chq 605
	Caretaking	£150.00	chq 608

Balance at 5th October 2022 £5791.10

Both gas and electricity contracts end in January 2023 after which prices will increase hugely but we do not know by how much at the moment due to volatility in the market. There will be an increase in hall hire rates which will be taken on a case by case basis.

67/22 Items for future meetings: Invite Allan Reef STW to the December meeting; invite Phil Mulligan the new chief exec for PDNPA to the March meeting.

68/22 Date of the next three meetings -14^{th} December; 18^{th} January 2023; 15^{th} March 2023.

Meeting closed at 20.55pm

Cllr Jill Gascoigne Clerk