

# CARSINGTON AND HOPTON PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the meeting of Carsington and Hopton Parish Council** held on 3rd November 2015 at Carsington and Hopton School.

**Present: Cllrs Craig Southway, Sarah Barratt (Peel), Lou Corbett, Cathy Oldfield and Ruth Miles.**

**Clerk:** Kate Murray

52/15. Apologies were accepted from Cllrs Rose and Ratcliffe.

53/15. There were no declarations of interest. It was noted that a number of the Parish Councillors have partners or relations who are members of organisations that may also be applicants for wind farm grant funding now and in the future. It was agreed that as a general rule there would only be a conflict of interest if the Councillor was a part of the applicant organisation. That said, Councillors will still consider whether they have an interest on a case by case basis.

54/14. There was no need to vary the order of business.

55/15. Public Speaking. There were no members of the public present.

56/15. No County or Borough Councillors were present.

57/15. There was no need to close any part of the meeting on the grounds of confidentiality.

58/15. The minutes of the meeting 16<sup>th</sup> September 2015 were APPROVED and SIGNED.

59/15. The final documents for managing the windfarm grant applications that had been AGREED by email, were formally AGREED in the meeting. It was NOTED that the final documentation had been sent around the village by email and applications have subsequently been received.

60/15. Applications for wind farm grants.

- (A) CARE application for a new toilet on the community field was refused. Should there be a re-application, the applicants were encouraged to provide a further level of detail in the business case and also to attend the meeting so as to be able to answer any questions that may arise during consideration.
- (B) PCC application for support for new seating in the church was agreed at £2,000 towards the £15,000 project. Grant not to exceed 15% of the total project.
- (C) CARE application for a new marquee and Christmas lights for the tree on the green was agreed at 50% of the total cost of £669.90. There is a proven track record of the usefulness of these items to the whole village.
- (D) A late application from the school will be considered at the next meeting.

61/15. The new web site had been handed over to the Clerk and was awaiting some copy and photographs from members. The new Parish Council laptop has been received and set up. It was AGREED by e-mail that Outlook should be purchased as this was not part of the Office 2016 package that was purchased at the time.

62/15. The Village Snow Warden scheme was AGREED with Derbyshire Dales District Council. Sandy Millward had kindly agreed to receive and distribute grit and Craig Southway volunteered to lead any operations that might be needed, including reporting to the District Council.

63/15. This item was DEFERRED to the next meeting.

64/15. (A) Below is the summary of the planning applications dealt with since the last meeting.

Name and number	Proposal	Outcome
15/00009/VCOND	Appeal to secretary of state re refusal to remove holiday cottage restriction on 3 log cabins at Home Farm	Appeal supported
15/00399/VCON	Changes at Substation at Manystones Lane	PC did not object, decision awaited
15/0037/FUL	Wind turbine – 77m to blade tip. Hoben Int, Brassington Works, Manystones Lane	PC objected on grounds of cumulative visual and noise impact. Decision awaited
CW3/0915/82	Ryder Point	DCC did not object
14/00224/FUL	5 wind turbines	Notice of appeal
15/00467/FUL	28 UV panels at Kennel Meadows	DDDC approved

(B) Correspondence was NOTED.

(C) Payments outlined in 64/15 C were AGREED. The financial statement and reconciliation with the bank account was AGREED and signed by the Chairman. It was AGREED that £5000 should be transferred to the savings account.

65/15. The first draft of next year's budget was DISCUSSED. It was AGREED that the precept should remain the same as in the previous 3 years. Expenditure on verges was increased. A revised budget will be presented at the next meeting.

66/15. Village Matters

(A) The dog mess problem had improved. It was AGREED to continue the current policy of overtly highlighting any mess found and also to put up the signs.

(B) Inspection of Village Green. SC Bunting had quoted £40 to maintain a bench and it was AGREED that he should go ahead.

It was AGREED to pursue the work needed on the badgers.

(C) Verges were again DISCUSSED, as the Council remains unable to obtain quotes due to lack of interest by contractors. Investment in equipment is now being considered in parallel.

67/15. Future agenda items:

(A) the finalised budget for 2016/17;

(B) the application from the School for a grant from the windfarm funding;

(C) improvements works to the Hopton triangle.

Date of next meeting Tuesday 12th January 2016 at 7 pm in the School.

Kate Murray

Clerk

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