

**MINUTES OF QUARNDON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD ON 27 MARCH 2017 IN THE VILLAGE HALL, QUARNDON**

**PRESENT:** Councillors: Dr M Pitt (Chair), J Cunningham, Dr P Hodson, D Knight, C Rossel, A Small, C Turner, S Walton, Simon Reed (Neighbourhood Planning), Parish Clerk

**17/058 PUBLIC SPEAKING**

None

**17/059 APOLOGIES**

Councillor J Richardson, Councillor Orton (AVBC), Councillor S Bradford (DCC)

**17/060 VARIATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS**

None

**17/061 DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS**

None

**17/062 APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

It was resolved that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 27.3.17 were approved and signed by the Chair with the addition of Keith Thomas who attended as a Neighbourhood Plan representative.

**17/063 TO DETERMINE WHICH ITEMS IF ANY FROM PART 1 OF THE AGENDA SHOULD BE TAKEN WITH THE PUBLIC EXCLUDED**

None

**17/064 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Councillor Pitt thanked everyone for their help with the skip and distribution of the newsletter. The County Council elections are being held on the 4 May. It was confirmed that the Police Commissioner would attend the meeting on the 24 July. It was suggested that he attended the AGM in May instead.

**17/065 PLANNING**

Applications

It was agreed to send objections to the following application. The proposed first floor balcony should not be permitted as it will infringe the privacy and amenities of the neighbour on the West side of the applicant's property, contrary to Policies H12 and SR3 of the Adopted Local Plan.

- AVA/2017/0269 Woodside Cottage 28 Woodlands Lane Two storey extension in place of existing single storey attached garage

There were no objections to the following application:-

- AVA/2017/0319 Quarndon Hall 72 Church Road Demolition of existing conservatory, replacement with new sun room and dining room. Demolition of existing utility room and capped-off chimney above, replacement with new canopy to form new rear entrance porch, insertion of new french doors to out-buildings. demolition of existing outer-building/logstore Re-location of existing entrance gate piers, alterations to existing entrance wall and addition of new iron railings and gates

Approved

- AVA/2017/0035 154 Burley Lane Demolition of Existing Dwelling, Construction of Replacement Dwelling with Attached Ancillary Living Accommodation  
AVA/2017/0015 Albany 1 Burley Drive Alterations and extension to existing dwelling

**17/066 BARN CLOSE UPDATE**

It was agreed to order the Mini Playframe from Playdale and GrassLok safety surfacing and ask M Booth to install. Councillors thanked Councillor Cunningham for his work with the project.

### **17/067 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE**

Simon Reed gave an update on the Neighbourhood Plan.

- March – June 2017: Develop outline NP, Write draft plan (policies, proposals, justification). Assess draft plan against the basic conditions. Agree process for formal pre-submission publicity and consultation - consultation and engagement strategy
- June 2017: Parish Environment Walks. We are looking for Parish residents who can help us identify birds, bats, insects and any other wildlife found in the Parish We are intending to run "Community Walks" to give everyone an opportunity to explore the Parish via our network of footpaths and contribute ideas for our Neighbourhood Plan on important views, wildlife habitats, biodiversity, etc. These Walks will be in the afternoons of the weekend 11/12 June.
- July – September 2017: Pre-submission consultation and publicity. Consult those who live / work / do business in the area. Consult the consultation bodies. Consider and review responses to consultation Amend draft plan in light of responses (where appropriate to do so) . Finalise basic conditions statement & prepare consultation statement. Submit plan to local planning authority for examination by end Sept 2017.
- 2018: Formal approval and implementation of our NP following referendum

### **17/068 TRAFFIC SUB GROUP**

The information gathering for Quarndon's Neighbourhood Plan so far has revealed major concerns about volume and speed of traffic through the village area. Whilst this cannot be directly addressed by the Neighbourhood Plan, it is one of a number of issues that are being worked on by members of the Neighbourhood Plan team in conjunction with Quarndon Parish Council. The Parish Council has already put significant effort into lobbying the authorities to address traffic issues in Quarndon, but this effort has largely been frustrated so far. In short - the authorities require us to have a spate of "injury accidents" on Quarndon's roads before making any improvements to road safety!

Given the strength of community feeling and the obvious risk of serious accidents, particularly to pedestrians, we are keen to make the case to introduce improvements before a serious accident happens. The first step is to gather up to date data about traffic volume and speed on our roads. PCSO Bennett has provided details as to how this might be done using community volunteers. PCSO Bennett is seeking the support of her superiors to get the first stage of the process above done. There is no guarantee of getting approval/police resources for even this first step but, assuming success, we will need a group of volunteers from our community to be "vetted" and trained in the four roles described above, and, once trained, execute some surveys on our roads. If we get this far, the data collected could provide powerful and unarguable evidence for our discussions with DCC about the need to make our roads safer. The sub group will be following up possible options including engaging with the school.

### **17/069 AVBC LOCAL PLAN**

Amber Valley Borough Council is preparing a new Local Plan, which will set out a vision and a framework for the future development of the Borough up to 2028 and will include policies and proposals to address needs and opportunities in relation to housing, the economy, community facilities and infrastructure, as well to safeguard the environment.

The Borough Council has agreed the publication of a Draft Local Plan, for the purposes of public consultation. Public consultation will commence on Friday 17 March 2017, for a period of 6 weeks, up to Friday 28 April 2017.

It was noted that Quarndon is flagged as a key village. It was agreed review the documents and respond to the consultation.

### **17/070 GROUNDS MAINTENANCE**

It was agreed to follow up on the proposed tree work to the Christmas tree. It was reported that badgers had made a mess on the grass at Montpellier. The verge at the corner of Woodlands Lane and Burley Lane has been damaged by heavy vehicles. It was agreed to clear the moss under the swings on the Barn Close play area.

### **17/071 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

It was agreed to include a Neighbourhood Plan update at the AGM and invite the Police Commissioner to this meeting. If we could use the main hall then a further possibility is that Neighbourhood Planning could provide displays and a presentation.

### **17/072 VILLAGE HALL CAR PARK LAYOUT**

Councillor Small offered to produce a drawing of the proposed layout and draft a letter to send to the land owners of the field/drive. The Church have also been approached by the school governors regarding an alternative route from the car park and initial feedback had been positive.

### **17/073 VILLAGE HALL CAR PARK SURFACING**

Repairs using crushed limestone to the carpark had been undertaken.

**17/074 NEW LITTERBIN AT THE JUNCTION OF WOODLANDS LANE WITH BURLEY LANE**

It was agreed to ask AVBC if they would move the waste bin by 97 Burley Lane to the first lamppost on Woodlands Lane. Councillor Rossel had spoken to parishioners who had no objection to this.

**17/075 REMOVAL OF HEDGE ON THE COMMON**

A hedge had been removed in a conservation area and had been reported to AVBC.

**17/076 FOOTPATHS**

Concerns were raised about the condition of the bridleway beyond Vine Cottages.

**27/077 BROADBAND**

Councillor Pitt had met a representative from Digital Derbyshire. They will be trying to encourage BT to provide better Broadband in the village. In addition, Councillor Pitt had made an application to the Community Fibre Partnership for the whole of the Parish including the school.

**17/078 WEBSITE**

Despite ongoing attempts to engage with the Parish Council website provider since last year no communication had been received. Feedback from other Parish Councils had reported the same issues. It was resolved to move to a new website provider 2Commune upon successful confirmation of a DCC grant application.

**17/079 NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH**

The next Police surgery takes place 10 April. There had been no reports of crime in the area.

**17/080 TELEPHONE BOX**

No problems to report.

**17/081 CLERK'S REPORT**

Nothing to report

**17/082 CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION**

The Preschool had made some queries on the licence to occupy. The Parish Council agreed to the changes. A copy of their insurance had been received. They had also asked for a meeting to discuss the outside area. Councillor Pitt agreed to attend.

**17/083 ACCOUNTS**

**RESOLVE:** That the Accounts listed below be accepted for payment.

	<b>Payee</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>£</b>
Bank Payment	Mrs L Storey	Salary/Expenses	369.06
Bank Payment	HMRC	PAYE	46.20
Bank Payment	Quarndon PCC	Donation church clock	181.20
Bank Payment	Mrs L Storey	Newsletter	70.08
Bank Payment	Groundwork UK	Grant underspend	357.02
Bank Payment	Peak Waste	Skip	228.00
Bank Payment	JE Wright	Printing	87.49
Bank Payment	Quarndon PCC	Room Hire	138.00
	<b>Total</b>		<b>1477.05</b>

**17/084 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

- DALC Circular 4/2017
- Pre-Election Period - Publicity Advice - Derbyshire County Council Elections May 2017
- DCC Rd Closure Church Road 8-19 May
- DCC Charges at Recycling Centres

**17/085 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

- 24 April 2017 7.30 pm Quarndon Lower Village Hall

**17/086 POINTS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS**