

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF MAPPERLEY
PARISH COUNCIL
held in the Church on Monday, 8 May 2017**

Present: Councillors Janet Mallett, David Morgan, Alison Quinn, Andy Quinn and Mathew Slack

In attendance: 10 members of the public and S Dunkley (Clerk)

48-17 Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence.

49-17 Election of Chairman for 2017-18

It was proposed, seconded and agreed that Councillor Alison Quinn be elected as Chairman of the Parish Council for the ensuing year. Councillor Quinn signed the Declaration of Office.

50-17 Election of Vice-Chairman for 2017-18

It was proposed, seconded and agreed that Councillor Mathew Slack be elected as Vice-Chairman of the Parish Council for the ensuing year. Councillor Slack signed the Declaration of Office.

51-17 Declaration of Members' Interests

None to be made.

52-17 Variation of order of business

None required

53-17 Dispensations

None

54-17 Public Session

- a) Elaine Sarson gave a report on the Park Farm planning application which had been withdrawn.
- b) A report was received from the Footpaths Officer which would be forwarded to the County Council.
- c) The Clerk reported that she had spoken to a member of the Derbyshire Constabulary Rural Beat Team regarding attendance at parish council meetings. Unfortunately, due to operational requirements, it will no longer be common practice for PCSOs to routinely attend parish council meetings. However, should the Police need to inform residents of incidents etc, a representative would either attend the next meeting or contact the Clerk who would report to the next meeting.
- d) There were no reports from Borough or County Councillors.

55-17 Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 10 April 2017 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

56-17 Exempt Items

There were no exempt items.

57-17 Chair's announcements and report

Nothing to report on this occasion

58-17 Clerk's report

a) The Clerk reported that she had been in contact with the Clerk to West Hallam Parish

Council regarding concerns expressed with traffic at the Mapperley Crossroads. West Hallam Parish Council was also meeting on 8 May and a report would be brought to a future meeting of the parish council. It was however stressed that it was essential that all incidents be reported to the Police.

b) The Clerk also reported that she had written to the County Council requesting that they continue with the grounds maintenance work for the ensuing year. It was RESOLVED that she should ask for the churchyard to be attended to as a matter of urgency.

59-17 Derbyshire Association of Local Councils

Circular No. 06/2017 had been circulated to all councillors. There were no matters requiring attention.

60-17 Matters for determination

a) The parish council's insurance renewal has yet to be received and therefore this will be deferred to a future meeting

b) It was RESOLVED to defer the matter relating to the road sign at Coronation Road to a future meeting

c) It was agreed by all councillors that the new website designed by Park Hall Designs was excellent and it was hoped that it will be well received by residents.

d) The Chairman reported on the casual vacancy for a parish councillor and urged those in attendance to consider becoming more active within the community. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk contact the Borough Council to ask for the vacancy to be formally advertised, although it was agreed that this may not be possible until after the general election.

e) The parish council was saddened to hear of the fatality over the weekend and it was RESOLVED that the Clerk should write to the East Midlands Ambulance Service to ask why the diffibrillator was not identified as being nearby. It was also agreed that more publicity should be given to residents regarding the benefits of having such a life saving piece of equipment and asking for more people to be trained in its use.

f) The Clerk confirmed that she had completed and returned the transfer request form for the former telephone box. Residents were asked to give ideas on what the box could be used for, some possible uses being a library, a home for the diffibrillator or information point.

g) There had been a suggestion that Japanese knotweed was evident in the car park at the public house and it was RESOLVED that the Clerk contact the local authority to seek advice, although it is on private land and it was suggested that the brewery was aware of the problem.

61-17 Financial matters

The following payments were authorised:

<u>Cheque No.</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>
In relation to the 750 th Anniversary celebration:		
100704	Andrew Attenborough (Entertainment by Pigeon Pie)	£100.00
100705	Amy Parkes (Sparks performers)	£ 80.00
100706	Elaine Sarson (Donation towards printing of programmes)	£ 12.50
100707	Moorleys Print and Publishing (Printing of leaflets and posters VAT £3.00)	£ 57.00
100708	Aurora's Carnival (Medieval Jester)	£100.00
100709	Mrs S J Dunkley (Salary and expenses – April)	£137.32
100710	HMRC (PAYE)	£ 25.78

62-17 Planning

The following planning applications were noted:

AVA/2017/0289 – Park Farm, Park Hall Lane, Mapperley – application withdrawn

AVA/2017/0264 – Damson Cottage, The Out Track Mapperley – permission granted for the retention of a garden shed

63-17 Matters for Information

There were no items for information

64-17 Date of next meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council is to be held on Monday, 5 June 2017 commencing at 7.15pm in the Church.