

MONYASH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 3rd February 2014 in the Village Hall
 Present: Chairman Cllr Mrs Jean Frost; Vice Chairman Cllr Mrs Joanna Scoggins;
 Cllr Mrs Rachel Tarr; Cllr Jeff Bamforth; Cllr Mrs Paula Riley
 Parish Clerk Mrs Alison Wales

92	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: County Cllr Simon Spencer; Dist. Cllr David Frederickson
93	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: Cllr J Scoggins - Finance
94	MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING: The Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 2nd December 2013 were approved as a correct record.
95 95.1 95.2 95.3	<p>PLANNING MATTERS:</p> <p><i>Applications for consideration:</i></p> <p><u>95.1.1 Lower Barn, Rakes Road:</u> Rear extension, for Dr Beryl Gummow Parish Council comments: The Parish Council has no objections.</p> <p><u>95.1.2 Willow Hollows, Off Horse Lane:</u> Conversion of redundant field barn to form a single dwelling unit, for Mr P Cantrell Parish Council comments: The Parish Council has no objections to this application, providing it is to remain within the curtilage of the original building. We feel that a local resident who has been born and raised in the Parish should be given every opportunity to be able to afford housing which enables them to return to live here. We would like to see that the proposed building always remains part of the farm property.</p> <p><i>Planning Authority decisions for notification:</i> None received.</p> <p><i>Other Planning Matters:</i></p> <p><u>95.3.1 Land Off Derby Lane:</u> Erection of Agricultural Building, for Mr M Palfreyman. Members viewed this application during January when there is no Parish Council meeting is held. The following comments were submitted to the PDNPA:</p> <p>The distance of the building from the top field wall and the distance from the trees <u>is</u> kept at a definite 10m. This distance will mean that the building will be beyond the roots of the trees and so problems such as making the trees unstable because of root damage should be avoided. (Siting the building any nearer to the trees we would have objections to). Because the building will be very visible we would urgently propose planting trees into the field so that the entire barn is shielded from view. Milkings Lane is a very well used footpath and part of the Limestone Way which attracts thousands of visitors every year so screening the barn should be a condition. The trees to be planted need only be small trees (such as hawthorn because the field is higher than the height of the lane). We are not proposing that a vast amount of trees need be planted but a 5m deep screen of native small trees all the way along the bottom wall. We believe that the original site was to be farther up Derby Lane and nearer to existing buildings but the mains Severn Trent water supply would have run underneath the proposed building. The plans show the site as suggested by the PDNPA but we think it needs to be stressed that the building needs screening from the bottom of the field.</p>

96	FINANCE:
96.1	<p><i>Payment Approvals:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mrs A Wales - Clerk's remuneration and expenses for December and January - £295.99 - Pugh Lewis Limited – Part payment of renovation work to school field - £1450.06 Central Window Cleaners – Cleaning of bus shelter windows July – December 2013 - £48 - T & J Scoggins – Village Green maintenance - £585 - T & J Scoggins – Fere Mere maintenance - £652
96.2	<p><i>Payments received:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Car Park Honesty Box – £74.25
96.3	<p><i>Statement of Accounts:</i></p> <p>As requested by the Chairman the Clerk presented the current balances of the Parish Council bank accounts. The balance of the Current Account is £4827.73 and the Reserve Account £4895.03. These figures do not include payments approved by the Parish Council during this meeting. The Clerk also provided a copy of last years budget to enable Members to consider further expenditure to be made this financial year.</p>
97	<p>RENOVATION OF SCHOOL PLAYING FIELD:</p> <p>The Clerk will contact Mr Jonty Hutchinson to arrange for date to commence the fencing work.</p>
98	<p>PARKING ON FROST MERE: The recent continuous wet weather has hindered work being implemented. However, Mr Tom Scoggins has the work in hand and hopes to re-commence this week.</p>
99	<p>LAND ADJACENT TO VILLAGE RECYCLING AREA: It has been reported to the Parish Council that waste is constantly being tipped in the small area of land adjacent to the recycling centre and that there is a mass of debris being allowed to scatter. Also the trees there are being vandalised. The Council debated what action could be taken and decided that the Clerk should report the matter of fly-tipping to DDDC and further monitor the situation. The Clerk was also instructed to enquire to DDDC why some of the recycling bins have been removed.</p>
100	<p>REPAIR OF VILLAGE GREEN BENCH: Cllr Mrs Frost reported that there are some monies left over from the Jubilee Grant awarded to the village in 2012. She has been in liaison with Mrs Andrea Palfreyman, the treasurer, with regard to utilising the remaining funds in repairing the benches on the village green. Local joiner Mr Joe Birch is to supply a quote for the work.</p>
101	<p>JACK MERE CAR PARK: Due to recent flooding of the car park the Parish Council sought advice Pugh-Lewis Ltd, drainage contractors for the school field. Pugh-Lewis has supplied a quote based on the work that would be involved to rectify the problem which amounts to several thousand pounds. The Clerk was instructed to look into applying for a grant to fund this work.</p>
102	<p>REPAIR OF WALL SURROUNDING FERRE MERE: A quote has been obtained from Mr Eddie Mellor, the contractor who completed the walling work around the school field. The Parish Council carefully considered the funds available for this work and whether it should be deferred until the new financial year. The Clerk and Cllr Mrs Tarr will pursue two further quotes in the meantime.</p>
103	<p>VILLAGE NOTICE BOARD: Deferred until next month's meeting.</p>

104	DATE OF NEXT MONTH'S MEETING: The next Meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday 3rd March 2014 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.
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The meeting closed at 9.15pm.