



GRINDON PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING 4th NOVEMBER 2024 HELD IN GRINDON VILLAGE HALL

The Meeting commenced at 7.30pm

1. Present: Councillors Garratt (NG), Morrell (AM), Firman (AF), Pailthorpe (JP), Nutter (GN), Stanish (SS). Clerk C Stanish (CAS) & Staffordshire Moorlands Councillor J Kempster (JK)

2. Apologies: None

3. Declaration of Interest - None

4. Minutes of the previous meeting held on 7th October 2024 reviewed and signed by chair NG.

5. Planning NP/SM/1024/1135 Wellcroft Farm, Oldfields Farm Lane, Grindon. Proposed Fodder store. General agreement in favour. It was suggested that we ask for the tree cover to be planted in this season, so that they could be established as soon as possible. It was discussed that this could be encroaching onto common land owned by the parish and that this should be mentioned to the Peak Park in the council response.

6. Business outstanding from last meeting

1. Defibrillator - CAS has checked with the supplier of the equipment and they have agreed to honour the quote from April. Grindon Action Group Fund has asked for a copy of the quote and will then be able to give a specific amount they will give towards the cost. Hope to be able to order the equipment very soon.
2. Parish Statement - various ideas had been emailed to councillors and the wording was debated and finalised. CAS to send to PDNPA
3. Fence around the village green. - No quotes in as yet, to keep reminding people. CAS to put a note in the next newsletter. JP to look at possible grants
4. Peak Park Local Plan (Consultation period 7.10.24- 29.11.24) Discussed at length. JK stressed the importance for us to send in our views. NG to read the plan, make notes and email out options to everyone for comments, so that we can send them in before the closing date.

5. Sign for car park re no overnight parking has been purchased, just needs putting up.

7. Correspondence

1. Sakura Cherry Tree Project - there had been mixed reactions to this but all were now in favour of planting only native trees and did not think the cherry trees on offer would survive in Grindon.
2. Change to Council employees pay. CAS had emailed the latest changes to NG & AM for them to look at.

8. Meeting with local police service

There had recently been a meeting with the two local PCSO's Becky and Lauren, JK, NG,AM,SS & CAS.

It was good to meet with them. They gave the Clerk their mobile numbers in order to contact them for non urgent issues. Two of the issues:

1. 20 is plenty
2. Weags Bridge car park activity

They will step up their visits to the area.

There are no speed restriction signs in the village, so it is not clear that it is a 30mph limit. JK and CAS to both write to the Highways and ask if they can install some.

Discussed that flashing speed signs would be good but cost in the region of £5,000 and would not be funded by the highways dept.

9. Changing web address/email to .gov.uk address.

CAS had been on an online course about this, explained that the government were offering £100 towards changing. It was a more secure system. . Everyone was happy to continue to use their personal emails. There was no appetite to change the present system.

10. Next year's meeting dates

CAS read out the proposed dates, all Mondays except in May which will be the first Tuesday. Agreed to not have a meeting in January and October next year. CAS to bring everyone a copy of the dates at the next meeting . Annual meeting to be in May.

11. Finance - AM had no internet, so CAS had printed out the monthly bank statement which AM passed round. Waiting until the defibrillator has been purchased before putting in the vat reimbursement.

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. The next meeting will be Monday 2nd December 2024.