

That electors' rights were provided.

That assessment of risks facing the council had been maintained.

That appropriate action on matters arising from the internal and external audit processes had been responded to.

The Council had identified commitments occurring during and after the year end.

The I.A.'s written report was carefully considered and would be attended to promptly.

1. Points made regarding the lengthman.  
(The clerk had informed the I.A. that she had made the lengthman aware of the amount of money available 2019-20 and the invoicing requirements).

2. As a result of a contested election in May 2019 the clerk was instructed to find out from SMDC ASAP just how much this would be.

3. As the management of the defibrillator was only now becoming a significant issue the I.A. had instructed the clerk to visit the legal dept at SMDC regarding its acceptance of money from sources outside the precept for this purpose. eg.

- It had received £60 from District/County Council's Health Community Fund and

- The clerk and a local lady had raised £67 by holding a stall at a local event.

- The clerk had informed the I.A. during the auditing process that a Mrs. Karen Kidd (wife of Councillor Kidd) had raised and given to the Council £235 as a result of a tractor run specifically to support the P.C. in its role of maintaining the defibrillator. (Apparently, Mrs. Kidd takes part in this event each year and identifies a cause that she personally wishes to support. Mrs Kidd along with Paramedic, Marie Modsham are responsible for defib. training in the area and therefore has a committed interest in the subject.

The clerk was instructed to clarify fundraising matters as outlined by the I.A.

The invoice for the I.A. was received and the clerk was instructed to pay the amount of £25 and to thank Mr. Felix Bellaby ACA for his guidance, instructions and painstaking monitoring of the Council's activities.

*Paul D. 21/8/2019.*

Meeting of Hollinsclough Parish Council on Wednesday 21st August, 2019 at 8pm at Hollinsclough Academy.

Apologies

These were received from Councillors Stead and Mellor - annual holidays.

Minutes of meeting 28th June 2019.

These were read, approved and signed by the Vice Chair Councillor Slack.

Present  
 • Councillor Slack  
 • Councillor Bell  
 • Councillor Hails

Councillor  
Belfield  
Councillor  
Held

### Matters Arising - Defibrillator Training Day 2017

The Clerk thanked Councillor Belfield and Family, C. Slack and C. Stead for their attendance and C. Stead for his availability afterwards to listen to concerns of local people re. parish matters. There were 16 people in attendance and donations (including one of £20 from Mr. Eric Williams who was not able to attend in person) and £50 from those that were able. £701 was banked specifically for the defib. (£67 had been raised at a stall in Dec 2018 that had raised £67).

The Clerk reported that she and Senny Wheeldon had run a tombola stall at the Working Man in August, 19 and had raised £81. This included a donation of £5 from Mr. J. Talton who was unable to attend the event.

The Clerk also reported that a personal friend had sent a donation of £50 directly to the Parish Council. (Ms. Sean Wright-Buxton) Councillor Ball said that she must be thanked. Everyone was very appreciative and the Clerk said she would write a letter to her accordingly.

Returning to the Defibrillator Training Day. The Parish Council had provided an opportunity for parishioners to raise any matters of concern to them which would then be taken back to the P.C. for discussion. Councillors Stead and Hails discussed the matter of Hollins Church Bunk-house / Michael Hutchinson Residential Centre and subsequently the Clerk was authorised

- to inform Redhill Academy Trust of local concerns.
- That the building appeared to be in a state of dilapidation.
- The grounds had been neglected.
- Fenestration could possibly be in a dangerous condition.
- The community recognised that the building had huge potential and wondered if there were plans for its use again.
- The Parish offered any help it could to return the building to its visually pleasing state.
- Redhill Academy Trust in a letter dated 31.7.19 informed the PC that:
  - It recognised the building's state of deterioration and shared the PC's anxieties.
  - A decision had been taken to sell the property and the process was underway.
  - It had been an intention of M. Hutchinson to retain the building for educational purposes and this legacy was to be respected.
  - Selling the property had to comply with the protocols of the Charities Commission and these were causing some delay.
  - They had a prospective buyer who wished to repair, develop and retain the building for the community.
  - It was felt that once the C. Commission approved the sale the process could be completed.
  - R. Academy Trust was pleased to receive any information re. local businesses to assist with improving the external appearance of the building.
- The Clerk informed the meeting that further points were raised by the community and that she had received the chairmans

approval to bring them to the attention of Red Hill Academy Trust. Key among these were the feelings

- That as a grade II\* listed building it should be conserved for its architectural interest and social history and that as a building <sup>that</sup> featured in a number of local history books (Active History line group) there was a sense of living history.
- The Community was pleased that a prospective buyer had been identified.

The Community wondered whether ~~the~~ its views would be welcomed by the P.B. to help lead to an enhanced, imaginative, harmonious, creative cohesive vision to the benefit of the local school and to the community.

S.M.D.C. Legal and Election Depts.

The Clerk informed the meeting that it was still waiting to hear from the legal dept. as to whether fundraising for the maintenance of the defibrillator was legal and appropriate and similarly that the matter of election costs was still waiting to be clarified.

P.D.N.P. Planning Applications each of them retrospective.

- NP/SM/0719/0736 application by Mr. D. Wood for a small agricultural barn at Lower Summerhill.
- Mr. R. Wood, NP/SM/0719/0763 - for a concrete slab to be constructed to the rear of a barn used for animal muck (and manure pit?) at Lower Summerhill.
- NP/SM/0719/0828 change of use -

conversion and extension of an outbuilding for residential use ancillary to the Glen. Mr. M. Stead.

The letters attached contain the considered opinions of the Council and were checked by the Vice Chair (in the absence of the chair). *Richard Stead* 13/9/2019.

The Parish Council

Present. Meeting of Hollinsclough Parish Council, Monday 23rd. Sept. 2014 at Hollinsclough Academy at 8pm.

VC - C. Slack

C. Belfield There were no apologies. A full body of councillors in attendance. The minutes of the previous meeting of 21.8.14 were read and approved and signed by the V.C. who chaired the meeting on that date.

C. Kidd. Matters Arising.

C. Hails. Parish Council Funding for Defibrillator.

The clerk reported the key points made in a letter from the Head of the Legal Dept. SMDC/HPBC. Mr. P.

① That he felt that the I.A.'s concerns were to ensure that transparent accounting procedures were in place to ensure that anyone scrutinising the use of public funds understood how they were raised. (The clerk had subsequently telephoned Mr. Rushworth to assure him that all incoming and outgoing monies were properly recorded and transparent and that the I.A.'s concern had been to quote, "I would expect the cost of maintaining the defibrillator to fall on the electorate and either come from grants from other tiers of government".

② There are powers available for the Council to pursue community spirited initiatives such as defibrillators.

Red Hill Academy - an update.

The clerk reported that a letter of 9th Sept. 14 reported stated that Daniel Moss at Mossy Trees was <sup>now</sup> contracted to carry out the necessary work to clear, prune and tidy the Bunkhouse / Michael Hutchinson Residential Centre.

It was also written that the Academy was not at liberty to disclose the identity of the

prospective buyer or to discuss his intentions. Mr Marcus Robinson was however <sup>keen to</sup> stress that at no point had conversion to a residential <sup>care</sup> centre or pupil referral unit been talked about.

Planning Application Updates

• NP/SM/0719/0763 - proposal for a concrete slab to be constructed to the rear of a barn used for animal muck. Lower Summerhill. 12.9.14 approved with conditions.

• NP/SM/0719/0736 retro. app. for a small agr. barn. 4.9.14. Granted with conditions. Lower Summerhill.

Other Business

P.D.N.P. App. NP/SM/0919/0952. Proposed New Farm Building in place of a fire damaged barn at Lower Summerhill.

• The council began by referring back to previous developments at Lower Summerhill to gain a full understanding (Robert)

• The council raised a number of key points to be forwarded to the PDNP.

1. That there was an important need for a weather proof substantial building to store agricultural machinery and implements.

2. Recent weather events emphasised the need for a strong protective storage building.

3. High altitude 1350 - 1400' - just below highest point shown as 1518 above Flash Bar Shore. Location of weather camera to monitor conditions. Flash often referred to on National Weather news in winter.

4. The building would be in keeping with the rest of the site; on the same footprint as the original building; same height but 1 1/2 x the internal area.

5. Site plan showed that the size would be comparable in size to the bungalow with its extensions and that the 3 buildings together would give a sense of coherence and plan to Robert's part of the farm.

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6. Observed that from Colshaw Lane towards junction with Summerhill Lane, the new buildings would hardly be visible if at all. The drystone walling with high bankings above concealed views of buildings from the South.
  7. Observed that from the Flash - Longnor road, the N.W. side of farm showed a line of mature conifers which partially screened Roberts part of the farm and behind the conifers a long embankment running NW-SE had the effect of screening the burgalow extension and the proposed new buildings. The new buildings would appear to be wedged between the embankment and Barn B shown on the map.
  8. The proposed blue metal cladding for roof/walls would be in harmony with materials used in neighbouring farms.
  9. The Council was heartened to read that the applicant was working with the P.D.N.P. to clean up the site and felt that a new barn would add to the apothecic appearance of the farm and add to the cleaning up process.
  10. A lot of pride appeared to be shown by other members of the Wood family on the opposite side of Summerhill Lane with trees and shrubs so that overall the site at Summerhill was improving and that P.P. for a new farm buildings would add to this.

H.P.C. gave the app. its unanimous support!

### The Annual Parishes Day 12th October:

Councillors Stead and Bellfield elected to attend and the Clerk said that she would too should a 3rd place be allocated.

### Broadband and Mobile Phone Connectivity

The clerk read a letter from Karen Bradley M.P. re. the Gov's proposal to support the deployment of 5G and to extend mobile coverage.

Dear Sir

The Bank,  
Hollinsclough,  
Longnor,  
Buxton,  
Derbyshire.  
SK17 0RH.  
25th September 2019

### Air Space - Manchester:

Consultation doc. received re. future of air space.

### Douglas Macmillan Hospice:

Finances did not allow PC. to make a contribution to its funds at the present time.

Trees and Council Insurance - The clerk reported on the Council's responsibilities.

Armistice Wreath - British Legion - The Council again wished to purchase same and to take part in the Armistice Service in November.

The Parish Statement

The clerk read what was on record at the PDNPA.

A full discussion would be held at the next meeting of the P.C.

A.O.B.

Letter received from D. Greatbatch - Strategic Community Infrastructure Manager informing the Council that the Swan and Limmers Rakes would remain closed until the end of Feb. 2020 with a further 18 months closure to be requested. Highway policies were being reviewed.

Meeting of Hollinsclough Parish Council on Monday 11th November, 2019 at 8pm at Hollinsclough Primary Academy.

Present.

Ch. N. Mellor

C. J. Hails

C. Les Ball

C. Jan. Stead

C. John Belfield

C. Eddie Kidd

Apologies C. Richard Slack.

Minutes of the meeting 23rd September, 2019

Matters arising.

Planning Decision Notices

① NP/Sm/0719/0828 - The Glen, Hollinsclough - granted subject to ~~the~~ conditions. (1.10.19)

② NP/Sm/0919/0952 - Lower Summerhill - granted subject to conditions. (28.10.19)

The Annual Parishes Day - feedback.

Councillors Belfield and Stead and the clerk reported that the day had been interesting and that the uniqueness of each and every community and of each locality was much in evidence. The Peak Park highlighted the importance of parish statements.

Armistice arrangements.

The chair would again lay the wreath on

behalf of the P.C. The wreath this year would cost £20. This expenditure was approved.

Other Business

Planning application at Lower Gamballs Hollinsclough NP/Sm/0719/0703 - Conversion of former redundant workshop and detached implement store to form two holiday cottages.

The Council supported this application but wished the P.D.N.P.A. Auth. to take a number of points into account.

In its favour: The buildings were in the North of the Parish adjacent to open countryside - mainly rough wet grazing and at a high altitude which would be attractive to a certain kind of visitor.

The buildings themselves could barely be seen from Gamballs Lane and were in a very private pocket of Dark Peak landscape.

Existing building materials would continue to be used and hardwood frames, sensibly proposed, would provide a durable protective structure.

No new access points to the site would be required.

The buildings/site were ecologically interesting and the Bats and Bird Activity Survey of October 19 was helpful in making a planning decision in respect of its recommendations.

The Council wished to point out however that other <sup>holiday cottages</sup> planning applications in the Parish had not reached their letting potential and articles about Hollinsclough School in the local press had raised unfortunate perceptions of the village e.g. "Hollinsclough is a small hamlet made up of either second homes or holiday lets".

A further key point made by the P.C. was that it would like to see more flexible, dual purpose planning decisions whereby properties could be used for holiday

purposes and/or residential units for local people who may be in need at a particular point in time, perhaps as a starter home. Such decisions would allow property owners to be better poised to respond to the moment as local needs change over time.

Parish Statement as a step towards creating a neighbourhood plan.

This was in response to a letter from the P.D.N.P. about a consultation it was doing with all parish councils. The purpose of the statements was to:

- understand parish dynamics
- to inform the PDNP Local Plan review and planning matters in general.
- for parishes to use as a platform for their vision/aspirations
- for parishes to use as a planning tool for the future.
- to help access funding for community projects
- to use as a starting point to prepare a Neighbourhood Plan

The P.C. considered

1. The social and economic well-being of the Parish.
2. The promotion of opportunities for the enjoyment of the N.P.
3. The built environment
4. The purposes of the P.D.N.P. and the Authority's own vision

The P. Council began its 'Statement' with a geographical description of the Parish and its infrastructure.

1a. Its aspiration was to bring the scattering of small communities together to achieve a cohesive whole to generate a sense of care, protection and pride.

1b. It reported that a training workshop in relation to the defibrillator had been held in 2019 and that

a rural crime workshop was hoped to be organised in 2020.  
1c. The P.C. outlined its 'Village' area with its buildings and Conservation status, its services, and activities accommodated in the Methodist Chapel Hall, e.g. History Museum, Moorlands Branch Bunch; its special services, <sup>Christmas</sup> Hollinsclough Silver Band concerts Summer refreshments.

1d. The Academy Primary School recognised as the 'home of flexi schooling' was described including references to the annual fête and fell race. The school's plans to develop some educational signage in the area of geographical, historical, scientific and geological interest were also reported. Mention was made of the M.V.A.S. <sup>annual</sup> competition for Primary Schools which was seen as a vehicle for possible funding.

2. The nature of the local landscape was outlined - its use by local people and its stunning character for visitors. <sup>limestone and sandstone</sup> with its <sup>the</sup> geology: the range of holiday accommodation, the potential for a range of visitor activities, guide books available for walkers, the Methodist Chapel's outreach hospitality and toilet facility for visitors; the grass gridling for parking.

The P.C. hopes to add a little more. The situation regarding Swan and Limer Rates was outlined and the damage resulting from HxH and motorcycles. (Closure order extended to Feb. 2020.)

1. The P.C. concluded that it felt a very strong responsibility for the social and economic well-being of the Parish and wanted to encourage through the planning process, more people to stay in the Parish especially its young. It expressed its concern that the local ancillary fire service at Longnor had fewer officers <sup>being</sup> and that more were needed (its sustainability, of great importance).

The PC also felt that the number of first responders was dwindling and that the service they provided could be threatened. Both services relied on a strong local community. It was reiterated that the PC would like to see more dual planning applications where holiday lets could be combined with longer term residential starter homes opportunities as the need arose.

The PC included an advert from the Parish mag. Oct. 18 asking for <sup>volunteers</sup> people with tractors and 4 wheel drive vehicles to support the first responders.

The PC had obtained a copy of the PDNP Management Plan 2018-23 and the final report of the Landscapes Review to inform its thinking.

Miscellaneous Matters

Tree Inspections PC Duties

cost  
£399.75  
£96 for install  
work  
£495  
maintenance  
payments to date  
£216 cheques 271 + 270  
32.47  
248.47  
495 +  
£743.47

The clerk showed the Council an advert from BH18 Council Insurance outlining the PC's responsibilities in relation to trees and local roads. A fuller discussion was deferred to the next meeting.

The Parish's Defibrillator (Purchased Feb. 2015)

The clerk reported that the Christmas stall at The Winking Man she had organised with Jenny Wheelton - had made £120. (This had included a donation of £20 from Mrs. Wendy Stead. This meant that the PC now had

20.7.19 £67. - Stall at Winking Man  
2018. £60. - from DC. G. Heath  
Community Fund  
£235. - Karen King Charity  
Tractor Race  
£70. - Defibrillator training  
day (included £20  
donation from Mr.  
Knc Williams  
12.8.19. £81. - stall at W Man

29.08.19.

£50 donation from Mrs J. Wright

3.12.19

£110 ✓

Total of £673 ring fenced for expenditure on defts.  
248.47 spent 2019.  
£425.47 remaining