



DILHORNE PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 19th OCTOBER 2021 at 7.00pm

Present: Cllrs. D Bateman (Chair), D Horvath, S Challinor, E Whitehall, R Howell, J Carnall
D. Cllr Roberts C. Cllr Ward

Members of the Public: 27 members of public

Apologies: Cllr Wildman

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APOLOGIES	Cllr Wildman	
PUBLIQUESTIONS	<p>Members of the public were in attendance for traffic issues, Walchesters waste site and Charlie Bassetts Pub.</p> <p><u>Traffic issues</u></p> <p>Increase in number of large vehicles going through village – this starts 6.30-6.45am when HGVs leave the site and returning around 4pm regularly more that a dozen go through the village. Increase in the safety aspect around school. Query speed they travel at and the properties along the roadside shake whenever they go past. Also problems with other types of vehicles using village as a cut through – again size of some vehicles, speed and numbers. Concerns re size of vehicles using the road, certain sections of the village i.e. Royal Oak bend, by the church are very tight for large vehicles who take up the whole of the road. Concerns that there will be a tragic accident in the village with the volume and size of vehicles using the village.</p> <p>C Cllr Ward - 20 months ago commissioned a full traffic survey in Dilhorne and Forsbrook which he has paid for out of his DHP fund allocate for highways issues, last full survey was done about 20 years ago. He paused this because of Covid as no point in doing this when vehicle movements were reduced. On 3rd Sept he recommissioned a full in-depth survey going through the village, location of the “strips” will not be in areas when traffic is impeded regularly by parked vehicles i.e. High Street. This will happen over next 3-6 months and be a “blind” survey so no one can influence the results. He has requested that this is be done during school term/hours and working hours otherwise will not reflect an accurate picture and should be there for 2/3 weeks and be operating 24hrs a day. Will show number, speed and weight of all vehicles going through the village. Tied in with this he has commissioned full structural surveys of three bridges, two in Dilhorne one in Trimpos, there are definite signs of deterioration with the structures of the 3 bridges.</p> <p>Steve Walchester stated that there were no restrictions on their working times and they could operate 24hrs a day if they choose to do so.</p> <p>Cllr Bateman stated for more than 20 years there has been a</p>	

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	<p>“gentleman’s agreement” with all the other Companies that have operated on that site where they would only use with Richmore Hill entrance asked which rarely was breached so asked if Walchesters could just use Richmore Hill to access the site and was told they do use this but if wagons coming from Uttoxeter areas then not financially feasible for them to go via Richmore Hill so come through Forsbrook and Dilhorne.</p> <p>Speed calming talked about it but difficult to get and very costly. C Cllr Ward – looked into VAS (speed activated signs) about 2 years ago and suggested buying between his division (4 parishes). Clerk advised Forsbrook PC are currently find out costing of these signs. Cllr Carnall advised that the Speed Camera van has been outside the school this month. Steve Walchester stated he would be prepared to contribute to this.</p> <p>Community Speed Watch – volunteers required to restart the scheme. The Parish Council owns a Dopler speed device, signs, hi vis jackets etc. Training would need to be undertaken. Only 3 locations in the village specified. Clerk to put post on Facebook/website asking for volunteers.</p> <p><u>Waste/crushing activities at Walchesters</u></p> <p>Query as to whether a waste licence is held. Walchesters stated that they have a licence as historically the site was a mine and the previous companies did waste recycling, PC are unsure of this as the materials that were on site when Minelco owned the site were Bentonite and Mica which are both used in the production of ?????? therefore not waste.</p> <p>Concerns of noise, dust etc from any waste recycling/transfer site and additional vehicles going to the site from other companies. Some vehicles are from Walchesters and applying for waste licence Public comments - Potential noise are there going to be more vehicles coming into village to take waste there. Level of operation too much for the area. Walchesters stated that they were under what is permitted on the site, they could have more wagons there. Walchesters invited Council to visit the site to see whats going on there.</p> <p>D Cllr Roberts suggested a regular meeting between representatives of the village the Parish Council himself and C Cllr Ward to help alleviate any issues and work together. A similar “group” was set up for Captains Barn in Caverswall and has been extremely effective in preventing and issues from escalating out of hand. It was thought to be a good idea. He also suggested that there should be a quarterly agenda item “Walchesters” so that all concerned parties could come to meeting and raise issues, again thought to be a good idea.</p> <p><u>Charlie Bassetts</u> – following receipt of a letter from PC to Manager/Licensee regarding camping site, bikers nights, marquee they came to the meeting to address the issues raised. Too many caravans etc on site – CBs stated they are allowed 5 units on the field and 30 on the rally field area under Freedom Camping licence and that Pitchup handle the bookings and they just keep</p>	

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	<p>sending campers.</p> <p>Complaints with late night noise CBs stated that he escorted people off the site on more than 3-4 occasions when too noisy. He stated that after “lockdown” people seem to go wild and that was the issue. Marquee has permission to be up all time.</p> <p>D Cllr Roberts asked how many rallies per year, if they keep a record for both camping and marquee use/bookings CBs think 12 rallies per year. Yes they keep a record for both.</p> <p>Letter from CBs in response to PC letter given to all Cllrs.</p> <p>Cllr Bateman – thanked him for coming and that we could hopefully move on from here.</p>	
MINUTES	It was resolved that the minutes of the last meeting were a true and correct record and was duly signed by the Chair.	
DECLARATION OF INTEREST	D Cllr Roberts on matters regarding planning	
REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS ETC	<p>County Councillor – see Public Questions</p> <p>District Councillor – nothing to report</p> <p>Rec Centre – no report</p> <p>Clerks Report – given to all Councillors prior to meeting.</p>	
LENGTHSMAN	No report	
PLANNING MATTERS	<p>Applications:</p> <p>SMD/2021/0621 - Smithy Farm Cottage, Blakeley Lane, Dilhorne Retrospective application for retention of hardstanding – Object, inappropriate encroachment into green belt</p> <p>Decisions:</p> <p>SMD/2021/0500 – Moor View, Kingsley Road - Erection of Implement Store - REFUSED</p> <p>Enforcement: none</p> <p>Appeals: none</p>	Clerk
MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS	<p>HIGHWAYS ISSUES:</p> <p>General Highways Update –</p> <p>Trimpos – Recent accident damaged hedge. Cllr Horvath reported that cracks have been appearing around his property that he expects is caused by the constant vehicles/HGVs going passed, he has records of registration numbers of Walchester wagons that have gone through Trimpos.</p> <p>Grids/drains/potholes – no new reports</p> <p>Tickhill – no new reports</p> <p>Increase in Heavy Vehicles through Dilhorne – see Public Questions</p> <p>Speeding vehicles - see Public Questions</p> <p>Footpaths - Footpath/pavement on Godley Lane by Mill Rise – on going.</p> <p>Issues raised at the last meeting:-</p> <p>Charlie Bassetts – Camping/Marquee/Bikers Night – see Public Questions</p> <p>UNRESOLVED ITEMS: none</p>	Clerk

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NEW BUSINESS	None	
FINANCE	<p>Payments: The following payments were approved for payment:- Clerks Salary & Expenses – October £212.30*</p> <p>Receipts: Interest on Deposit Account –August/Sept - £0.09p SMDC – 2nd Precept payment - £2.210.00 Total Income - £2210.09</p> <p>Transfer to be made this month - £500.00</p> <p>BANK ACCOUNTS: Current Account – £160.10 after payments made Deposit Savings Account - £12,526.53 Screenshot of the bank account after October payments have been made to be provided by Clerk to all Councillors.</p>	Clerk
CORRESPONDENCE	Santander Bank Statement	
DATE OF NEXT MEETING	Tuesday 16 th November 2021 at 7.30pm	
MEETING CLOSED	21.15 pm	

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