

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF HOLLIGTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 10TH April 2017 AT 7.30PM IN THE RED LION, HOLLINGTON

PRESENT Cllr J Sowerby, Cllr C Roome, Cllr J Polglass and Cllr C Ward, S Holbrook, A Butler

Mr George Upson (Clerk)

17/01 APOLOGIES

Cllr J Simpson

17/02 DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS INTERESTS

None

17/03 APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 6TH February 2017

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 6th February 2017 were unanimously approved and signed by the Chair.

17/04 Broadband Update

See attached notes from Cllr Ward

17/05 Notice Boards councillors were informed that the notice board at the Bottom end of the Village had been removed.

Councillors discussed whether a second notice Board was needed

The Chair said he would approach Cllr Bull the County Councillor to see if funds were available for the replacement

The decision was agreed to be put on hold until this information was available.

17/06 Village Bench Councillors reported that a grant of £300 had been received through Ros Hession of the District Council

Councillors agreed that the village would be consulted on the replacement bench before a decision was made.

17/07 Village Green

Councillors discussed whether to replace the posts

- a) with no direct replacements (The existing chains to be retained for future potential use)
- b) with wood either of similar or smaller dimensions
- c) with another material

A decision would be made after cost estimates had been received and Villagers had been consulted.

17/08 Almshouses

Cllr Ward reported that the Almshouse Accounts were fully up to date with the Charities Commissioners

17/09 Financial Matters

1 Councillors approved the final submittance of the precept at £1785

2 The Following invoices were approved for payment

Longford PC	£15.00
Libra Business Essentials	£66.00
Janice Jackson Temporary Clerk	£123.00

The Clerk agreed to approach DALC re the current membership status

Ongoing Issues

17/10 Neighbourhood Watch

Nothing to report

17/11 Village Project

Councillors noted that

- 1) the Litter Pick had been a success
- 2 £200 had been received from Derbyshire Dales for Bulb planting

Cllr ward agreed to potential suppliers and costs and Councillors agreed to seek community involvement in both the location for the bulbs and the actual planting

Footpaths

The Chair agreed to look at downloading footpath Maps of the Village for a possible Footpath Walk. This would be for discussion at the next meeting

Village Map

Cllr Simpson reported that this was still an ongoing project. Cllr Simpson was asked to investigate the Longford Map for a possible layout

The Chair also asked that the Minutes reflect that Villagers be asked for their permissions before final publication.

17/12 Planning

The Clerk reported that it was possible to set up alerts when planning issues had been presented to the District Council. Instructions on how to do this would be presented to the next meeting

17/13 Website Training

Councillors agreed that the Clerk should receive training in the Management of the website. He would also investigate the possibility of access for other Councillors

17/14 Village Defibrillator

Cllr Holbrooke said that grants were again available for Village Defibrillators

She agreed to forward details

Date of Next meeting

Subject to progress on the Annual Accounts this would be Monday 12th June at 7:30 at the Red Lion

The AGM would be at 7:00 On the same day and venue

Notes from meeting between Kerry Bailey, Derbyshire County Council, and Chris Ward, Hollington Parish Council, relating to the roll out of fibre broadband in Hollington. Meeting held at 6:30 PM on Friday 10th February.

BROADBAND IN HOLLINGTON

The purpose of this document is to share the information on Fibre broadband with our neighbours. Key points noted by myself during the meeting were as follows:

- BT OpenReach are laying FTTP (Fibre To The Premises) at the north end of the village and FTTC (Fibre to the Cabinet, i.e. the last part of the connection is via copper wire) at the southern end due to the differing layouts and locations of phone cabinets in place.
- Scheme run as "Digital Derbyshire"; see details on last two pages, and <http://www.digitalderbyshire.org.uk/> Jointly funded venture costing around £7M across 196 homes and businesses.
- Service providers for FTTP are currently limited to three (BT Retail, Andrews & Arnold and Zen were the cited during the meeting), though this may expand if enough people sign up. For FTTC the choice is much broader though no list was provided.
- DCC get quarterly updates on when an exchange or home will get the service but only in arrears, meaning *they cannot tell us when the remaining parts of the village will be connected.*
- NOT EVERY HOME WILL GET A FIBRE CONNECTION. For those that do not there are alternative means of support in the form of Wireless or satellite based services via the Better Broadband Subsidy Scheme (see below).
- Small businesses can get support from two schemes, which can be used in combination to get training and help with hardware to obtain faster broadband.

Notes from Kerry Bailey: Derbyshire County Council

The Digital Derbyshire programme is providing fibre-optic broadband to communities by primarily upgrading existing BT cabinets in areas that currently cannot receive fibre services via a commercial supplier. The Digital Derbyshire targets (as part of a national framework set by central government) are for every Derbyshire premise to be able to receive a download speed of 2Mbps and for ninety-five percent of premises to receive download speeds of 24Mbps by the end of 2018.

In certain areas of Derbyshire a fibre to the premise (FTTP) solution is being utilised, which is where the fibre optic cable runs all the way to the premise. We are pleased to advise that the Digital Derbyshire programme has upgraded the infrastructure in the majority of Hollington (particularly via Brailsford cabinet 1, which is FTTP). This means that many residents can now order fibre broadband up to 330Mbps from an internet service provider (ISP) of their choice. Please be aware that not all ISPs offer FTTP services, this is the choice of the service provider (see the first attachment).

A small proportion of Hollington falls within the second phase of our programme, as they are fed from either Great Cubley cabinets 1 and 3. Due to the complex nature of the work involved with the cabinets, we are unable to advise on expected uplift in speed for individual homes, or give a more specific timeframe of completion in advance. We receive confirmation from Openreach once the cabinets have gone live and been through BT's internal checks, tests and assurances. At this point we will be able to communicate out to residents that the work has been completed via the parish council.

Postcodes

Please find an update in regards to the postcodes in your area:

DE6 3AF/3GB/3GD – mainly Brailsford 1

DE6 3AG/HA – Mainly Brailsford 1, but may not be about to upgrade (see The Better Broadband Subsidy Scheme)

Better Broadband Subsidy Scheme

Central government has committed to giving access to a broadband service with at least a 2Mbps download speed to every premises in the UK. As part of this commitment, BDUK has initiated a voucher scheme (Better Broadband Subsidy Scheme), which can be redeemed (up to £350) with independent suppliers of wireless, satellite or 3/4G for eligible premises. More information is available via the following link -

http://www.digitalderbyshire.org.uk/better_broadband_subsidy_scheme/default.asp

Under the Better Broadband Subsidy Scheme, Derbyshire businesses and residents can claim up to £300 (wireless) and £350 (satellite) towards hardware, installation, commissioning and activation. The on-going monthly costs are excluded from the scheme, but residents should be able to find a package that suits their requirements.

The link takes you to the application form which residents need to complete in order to apply for the voucher -

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd34e9keDCJwGcdVbOdayI_BoVvFksaU8qeLbGCIWbHC79fg/viewform

It is a relatively quick process, residents need to answer no to the question about BT providing less than 2Mbps (if this is the case), and confirm that they have not received more than €200,000 in EU funding (if applying as a business) in the last 3 years.

Once they have received a code, they will then be able to obtain quotes from approved suppliers (*the Derbyshire ones include W3Z, Big Blue Rocket, Derbyshire Broadband, NotSpot and Pine Media*). The full list of approved suppliers can be reviewed via the following link –

http://www.digitalderbyshire.org.uk/news/news-items/new_better_broadband_scheme.asp

BT's Community Fibre partnership scheme

BT does have a community fibre partnership scheme, whereby communities and/or businesses can contribute towards a fibre structure bringing fibre services to the areas. This is covered as part of the aforementioned Better Broadband Subsidy Scheme. More information is available via - <http://www.communityfibre.bt.com/>

SME funding for digital

Businesses might like to review the following schemes which have just been switched on via the D2N2 and SCR Local Enterprise Partnerships:

<http://www.d2n2lep.org/News/events-to-showcase-business-benefits-of-72million-digital-investment>

<http://www.superfastsouthyorkshire.co.uk/vouchers>

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