



**MINUTES OF THE GREASLEY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON  
12th NOVEMBER 2018 AT 7.30PM**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Cllrs Mrs J Layton (Chairman), Mrs M Handley, A Limb, R Jones, Mrs M Barry, J Handley, E Cubley, M Brown, R Willimott, Mrs B Willimott, A Harper, Mrs D Harper

**ALSO PRESENT:** Mrs L Murphy (Clerk & RFO), 1 member of the public

**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** Cllrs P Pickering, Mrs J Owen (Borough Councillor), P Owen (Borough & County Councillor)

<b><u>ITEM</u></b>	<b><u>DETAILS</u></b>	<b><u>ACTION</u></b>
18/100	<b><u>Declarations of interest</u></b> None	
18/101	<b><u>Suspension of Standing Orders, public question time, reinstatement of Standing Orders</u></b> Standing Orders were suspended to allow the member of public present to speak. She advised that she was the grandparent of a child who was attending the newly formed Greasley Playgroup at the Sports & Community Centre on Thursday mornings. She gave details of how the group was now being run by a group of parents and asked if any financial support was available for running costs including insurance and room hire. Cllr J Handley (County Councillor) advised that he still had some funds in his divisional fund and suggested that the group should write to him with a request for financial support for a specific purpose. Cllr Handley also suggested that the group may wish to consider adding Beauvale into their title as there was currently some confusion with the playgroup at Greasley Church with the same title. The Clerk also advised that a grant application could be made to the Parish Council and provided details on how to make an application. Standing orders were reinstated and the member of public left the meeting.	
18/102	<b><u>To approve the minutes of the previous meeting 8th October 2018 including confidential minutes</u></b> Both sets of minutes had been previously circulated and were approved and signed by the Chairman. Cllr Jones asked why the Police had again not been able to attend the meeting. The Clerk confirmed that copies of the agenda are always emailed to PCSO Peter Keeley but Monday always seemed to be one of his rest days. Cllr J Handley advised that the new inspector for the area and the Police and Crime Commissioner had recently attended a Brinsley Parish Council meeting and the Clerk was asked to invite them along to a meeting in the New Year. Cllr Brown advised that it had recently been confirmed that Broxtowe Borough Council has been selected as one of the 11 authorities who will be taking part in the voter ID pilots in England for the 2019 elections.	Clerk
18/103	<b><u>Chairman's announcements</u></b> The Chairman advised that she had represented the Parish Council at a number of events over the previous few weeks including those which had taken place in the Parish to commemorate the end of WW1. She went on to thank those members who had been involved in the planning/organisation of the Parish events. Cllr Limb joined the meeting at 7.45pm	
18/104	<b><u>Correspondence</u></b> The following items were tabled: 1. Email from HS2 re the launch of two consultations for the section of the route from Crewe to Manchester and West Midlands to Leeds, which is known as Phase 2b. <b>Noted</b> Cllr R Willimott advised that he had recently attended a public meeting in Trowell and had been surprised to learn that the current plans mean that the rails will be around 12 feet higher than the current level of the M1. Cllr R Willimott was thanked for his update.	

	<p>2. Email from Little Eaton Neighbourhood Plan Group advising of their consultation on the pre-submission draft version of their Neighbourhood Plan. <b>Noted</b></p> <p>3. Nottinghamshire Voice – magazine of Campaign to Protect Rural England. <b>Noted</b></p> <p>4. Email from Via East Midlands advising of Nottinghamshire County Council’s intention to purchase Cornwall Council’s 51% majority shareholding in Via East Midlands Ltd to become the sole owner of the company. <b>Noted</b></p>	
18/105	<p><b><u>Report of the Clerk &amp; RFO including accounts for payment</u></b></p> <p>A written report had been previously circulated. The Clerk advised that she had received an email from There But Not There asking if the Parish Council still wanted delivery of the silhouette soldier or a refund, as the company had failed to deliver in time for Remembrance Sunday. <b>It was agreed that delivery was still required and the accounts for payment were approved.</b></p>	Clerk
18/106	<p><b><u>Report of the Chairman of Environment &amp; presentation of minutes</u></b></p> <p>Minutes of the meeting 22nd October 2018 had been previously circulated and were noted.</p>	
18/107	<p><b><u>Report of the Chairman of F&amp;GP &amp; presentation of minutes</u></b></p> <p>Minutes of the meeting 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2018 had been previously circulated and were noted. Cllr Jones stated that he was disappointed with the low levels of attendance at the two exhibitions of art work from local school children, but that the community concert had been much better attended. He thanked all those who had been involved in organising these events.</p>	
18/108	<p><b><u>Report of the Centre Manager</u></b></p> <p>A written report had been previously circulated. The Chairman advised that an Extraordinary Full Council meeting would take place on 26<sup>th</sup> November 2018 at the conclusion of the Committee meetings to discuss the tenders received for the Sports &amp; Community Centre redevelopment. Cllr J Handley asked why the time frame for the return of tender documentation had been extended, how many companies were involved and did we select them. Cllr R Willimott confirmed that there were 6 companies invited to tender following a pre tender process and that the time frame had been extended by one week as one of the contractors invited to tender could not meet the deadline date. Cllr Willimott then confirmed that this process and the request for additional time to submit the tender documentation is common practice. He also confirmed that he and the Centre Manager had worked quite closely with David Wadsley from Broxtowe Borough Council who was experienced in this process.</p>	All
18/109	<p><b><u>Reports of representatives on outside bodies</u></b></p> <p>Nothing reported.</p>	
18/110	<p><b><u>Report of County Councillors</u></b></p> <p>Cllr J Handley advised that he currently had no further updates on the footpath at Main Street Newthorpe. Cllr Harper confirmed that he had attended the Remembrance Sunday Service in Eastwood, and that he had been working with County Council Officers re HGV enforcement on Lynncroft. He also provided an update on how he had been using his Councillors divisional fund within the community.</p>	
18/111	<p><b><u>Report of Borough Councillors</u></b></p> <p>Cllr Cubley advised that the monitoring of bore holes on the Matkin’s tip site had been inconclusive and would continue for a further 2 to 3 months.</p>	

18/112	<p><b><u>To discuss Parish Council events</u></b></p> <p><b>WW1</b> – Cllr Barry stated that the lamp post poppies would need to be removed and stored for use again next year. Cllr Cubley agreed to arrange for their removal and Cllr M Handley suggested that they could stay up until the end of November. Cllr R Willimott asked where in the Parish it was planned to site the silhouette soldier. Cllr M Handley advised that it had been agreed that it would be sited on the grassed area outside the front of the church hall at St Mary’s Greasley, where the Scouts had already laid poppies. It was also hoped that a short dedication ceremony could be arranged in conjunction with the church and involving the Guides, Scouts, Cubs and Beavers.</p> <p><b>Christmas event</b> – Councillor Barry advised that she had confirmed earlier in the year with Greasley Beauvale Primary School their involvement in this year’s Christmas event. Unfortunately however the Head Teacher had now decided that due to the school’s Christmas fair being on the same night the school will not be able to be involved this year unless the date of the Parish Council event could be changed. The possibility of a change of date, alternative entertainment and volunteers to help with putting the event on were discussed. Cllr M Handley stated that she was disappointed to hear that the school would not be involved this year and also with the lack of volunteers willing to help. Cllr J Handley proposed the cancellation of this year’s event to highlight the need for more support from the Council to produce events like this in the future. Cllr R Willimott seconded the proposal and stated that this was not something he was generally in favour of but felt that he could not offer to help this year due to his upcoming surgery and given the circumstances cancellation was probably the best option. Cllr Barry asked for a recorded vote. The Chairman put the matter to the vote and those in favour of cancellation were: Cllrs Brown, J Handley, R Willimott, Mrs B Willimott, A Harper and Mrs D Harper. The Clerk then stated can we assume that those present who have not raised their hands in favour of cancelling the Christmas event (Cllrs Jones, Mrs M Barry, Mrs M Handley, A Limb, E Cubley and Mrs J Layton) would vote to keep the event this year. If that is the case the vote is 6 members in favour of keeping the event and 6 members in favour of its cancellation which means that the Chairman has the casting vote. Cllr R Jones stated that he wanted to abstain from voting. The Clerk stated this means the Christmas event is cancelled this year on the basis of 6 in favour of cancellation, 5 against cancellation and 1 abstention. Cllr Barry stated that she could not stay any longer and left the meeting at 8.29pm. Cllr M Handley stated that she found it hard to accept that 2 Councillors that had not attended a meeting for 6 months had just voted to cancel the Christmas event and left the room at 8.30pm.</p>	EC  MH
18/113	<p><b><u>Neighbourhood Plan update</u></b></p> <p>No update available. The Clerk advised that she would be attending a training event on 27<sup>th</sup> November 2018 organised by Broxtowe Borough Council along with the Chairman and Cllr R Willimott. Cllr R Willimott stated that he felt Neil Hutchinson (Chairman Greasley Neighbourhood Plan Group) should also be invited. <b>The Chairman agreed to contact Neil Hutchinson.</b></p> <p>Cllr J Handley left the room at 8.34pm.</p>	JL
18/114	<p><b><u>To declare casual vacancy</u></b></p> <p>The Clerk advised that it was necessary to declare a casual vacancy as Jamie O’Grady had failed to attend a meeting of the Council for six consecutive</p>	



	months. She had been advised by Broxtowe Borough Council that it would be necessary therefore to advertise the vacancy in the usual way and wait to see if an election is called. <b>Noted</b>	Clerk
18/115	<b><u>To discuss/approve revised budget 2018/19</u></b> A report had been previously circulated and discussed at the F&GP Committee meeting in October 2018. <b>The revised budget was agreed.</b>	Clerk
18/116	<b><u>To discuss further funding for Sports &amp; Community Centre improvements</u></b> Cllr Limb stated that he had requested this agenda item to discuss further funding for the Sports & Community Centre Improvements and suggested that the Parish Council should approach the larger businesses in the local area as they usually have funds available for community use. Cllr Brown stated that this was a good idea but urged caution as it might be seen that the Parish Council had accepted a bribe and used the example of planning permission being granted to such a business in the future on a controversial planning application. Cllr Limb stated that he did not see how this was relevant as the Parish Council are not the planning authority. <b>Following a discussion it was agreed that this would not be pursued any further.</b>	
18/117	<b><u>Items for future agenda</u></b> None	

The meeting closed at 8.49pm

Chairman