Little Longstone Parish Meeting

Clerk:
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Minutes of the Parish meeting held at 7.30pm on Monday 26th April 2004
At the Monsal Head Café

29.04 Present

P. Wrench (Chairman & Finance Officer), Mrs A. Wrench, Mrs C. M. Burns, Mr A. Nicholas, Mrs I. Sutcliffe, Miss M. Longsdon, Mr N. E. Green, Mrs H. M. Fletcher, Mr P. Davey, Mrs J. Mantel and Mr D. J. Burns (Clerk).

30.04 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Mr & Mrs Isherwood, Mr & Mrs J. Longsdon, Miss J. Longsdon, Jane Ford, Mrs L. Nicholas, Mr W. Adamson and Mr & Mrs Eiser.

31.04 Minutes of the meeting held on 1st December 2003

The minutes were proposed a true record by Mr J. Nicholas and seconded by Mrs I Sutcliffe, all in favour.

32.04 Matters arising from the previous minutes

The Chairman reported that the re-print of the Millennium book was not selling too well but, as there will not be any further re-issue, suggested the price should remain the same for the time being – all in favour. He also reported that, despite our protestations, the DDDC had imposed increased prices for off road parking.

A discussion then took place on the ongoing problem re the trees at Monsal Head. Mrs Mantel said that she had taken photographs that clearly showed the potential hazards caused by people with cameras standing in the road as this was now the only way to obtain a view of the viaduct. Once developed these will be passed to the clerk who is to write a strongly worded letter to English Nature who appear to be the body most responsible for the lack of progress.

33.04 Planning Matters

There were no planning applications.

Planning Decision Notices

NP/DDD/08/03/467 & 468, Conversion of redundant farm buildings to 5 holiday cottages, **The Manor, Little Longstone.**

34.04 Financial matters

Peter Wrench, the Finance Officer reported that the only outstanding payment due for the year ending 31.03.04 was £37.00 to Mr J. Longsdon for the supply of Christmas Tree lights. It was proposed Mrs A. Wrench and seconded by Mrs C. M. Burns that this be approved, all in favour. He also reported on the Annual return for Y/E 31.03.02 which needed approval of the meeting.

He then went on to advise of the following amounts due for payment:-

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1. D. J. Burns	201.23	(Clerk's salary/expenses Dec 1st 2003 - April 30th 2004)
2. A. J. deWynter	100.00	(Internal Audit fee - Y/E 31.03.02)
3. W. J. Sheppard	121.00	(Gardening services)
4. DALC	15.00	(Annual subscription)
5. L.C.R.	12.50	(Annual subscription)

6. Cornhill Ins. 216.77 (Annual premium)
7. Monsal Cafe 25.00 (Fee for use of premises 26th April 2004)
8. Victim Support 8.00 (Annual Grant)

The last item was added to the agenda.

It was proposed by Mrs J. Mantell and seconded by Miss M. Longsdon that the above payments be approved together with approval of the Annual Return for Y/E 31.03.02, all in favour. The reason for the latter was an oversight by the Audit Commission following the introduction of a new auditing system at that time.

35.04 Correspondence

1. CPRE – Well-Dressing Challenge. This was passed to the Well-Dressing Committee.
2. DRCC – Notice of Village of the Year competition. Date now passed for applications.
3. DDCC – Notice of proposed introduction of wheelie bins. This subject is to be included in an Open Community Forum to be held in Bakewell on 17th May which the Chairman is to attend and report back.

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36.04 Circulars and Brochures etc

The following items were available for inspection:-

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- **Peak Park** – Parish Speak magazine – Spring 2004
- **DCC** – Draft Revised Corporate Environment Policy
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- **Peak Park** – The Year in Brief
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37.04 Other matters arising

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The Chairman reported that the brass band concert held on the Sunday evening following last year's well-dressing was not very well attended and asked if the meeting wished it to proceed this year. Mrs A. Wrench said that the band cost £100 and they then also took a collection for themselves. It was agreed that this is not right and, if the event is to go ahead, the band must choose between the fee or a collection. Mr P. Davey suggested that the concert may be better attended if it was held at Monsel Head but the general feeling was that this is not what it is all about. It was proposed Mrs Sutcliffe, seconded Mrs Fletcher, that the Chairman should endeavour to book the band again for this year – all in favour.
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Mr Green then prompted a lengthy discussion on the matter of the Monyash Trust and, after much debate, Peter Wrench, Chairman of the Trust, said he would investigate Mr Green's comments and report back.

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