East Drayton Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at 7.30pm on Tuesday, 19th July 2005 in the Village Hall

Present:

Cllr D Allen (Chairman), Cllrs M Ogle, J Parker, J Goddard, J Jones and CCllr J Hempsall. In attendance: S Pickard (Clerk). Members of the public: 1

1 Apologies for Absence. Were received from Cllrs H Shreeve (holiday), R Small (work) and DCllr M Jenkins (holiday).

2 Minutes of meeting held 21st June 2005

The minutes of the above meeting were approved and signed as a true record after one amendment (1 Apologies for Absence, Cllr J Parker).

3 Matters Arising

a) Village Sign

The Chairman advised no further progress made, but he would liaise with Mr Jim Simpson and circulate a questionnaire within the village re suggestions for ideas to include on the sign.

b) Lychgate Fund

The Clerk had received an email from Mrs Jean Rider requesting a correction to the Lychgate booklet and the addition of the LHI (Local Heritage Initiative) logo before the project could be closed. The Clerk AGREED to undertake this and send two amended copies to Mrs Rider. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

c) Building Better Communities – street lighting

Nothing further to report.

d) Environmental health issue at Vine Farm

Cllr Ogle reported that although some of the tree roots had been pulled out, they had not all been cleared. The Chairman commented that he thought the culvert had collapsed under the road, but no one would come and dig it out Cllr Goddard that the road was continuing to sink in that area. CCllr Hempsall AGREED to contact Bolham Lane to see what he could do. **ACTION: CCIIr Hempsall.**

e) Replacement tree at entrance to Manor House Farm

Nothing further had been heard from Bassetlaw District Council since May and it was AGREED to write to Mr Ian Boothby to request he pursue the matter. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

f) Gritting

Nothing further to report. It was AGREED to retain the item for the September Agenda.

g) Waste bins

The Clerk had contacted Mrs Pat Wilkinson in the Environmental Health Department and she had advised that they had had to re-order more bins. Once they were in stock, replacement bins would be installed (one near the village seat and the other near the telephone box).

h) Lorries taking unnecessary route through village

Cllr Jones had not seen the lorry recently and it was AGREED to remove the item from any future Agendas.

i) South East Bassetlaw Forum

The Chairman reiterated his comments made at last month's meeting re the Forum (discussion should have been on general items, but it became focussed on individual issues which was not the idea) and is awaiting hearing from DCIIr Jenkins re a meeting to discuss the way forward.

4 Declarations of Interest. No declarations of Interest.

5 Correspondence

Nottinghamshire County Council:

a) Equality and Diversity Survey 2005; Discussion followed, but it was not felt appropriate for the Parish Council to complete such a survey. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

- b) P**art**icipate! Arts projects and events in Notts July/September 2005; In circulation folder. Bassetlaw District Council:
- c) Best Value Performance Plan 2005-2006; In circulation folder.
- d) Fact Book 2005-2006: In circulation folder.
- e) Bassetlaw Self Help Link literature; In circulation folder.

NALC:

- f) Northern Area Committee meeting minutes held 23rd May 2005; In circulation folder. General:
- g) Mobile Rural Contact Point poster (visiting on 12th August and 9th September)(for notice board);
- h) Staying in Touch, North Notts Health & Social Care News, Summer 2005; In circulation folder.
- i) Clerks and Councils Direct; In circulation folder.
- j) Coalfield Communities Campaign Invitation to National Conference, 20-22 September in Fife. In circulation folder.

Correspondence received after Agenda prepared:

- k) The Community Council of Lincolnshire scheme for village halls; Passed to Cllr Ogle.
- I) Bassetlaw Hospice posters advertising forthcoming fundraising events; In circulation folder.
- m) Ready Steady Go! Bassetlaw Sports Forum, issue 6 June 2005; In circulation folder.
- n) Planning & Property Briefing, July 2005; In circulation folder.
- o) Travel & Transport Briefing, July 2005; In circulation folder.
- p) The Tree Guardian, Summer 2005; In circulation folder.
- q) Notts Police Press Releases:
- 1. Potential prize draw scam; In circulation folder.
- 2. ICE for your mobile phone (Retained by Clerk to be placed in next circulation folder).

6 Planning

- a) DECISION NOTICE: Location: The Old Croft, Top Street, East Drayton. Erect detached double garage. The Parish Council noted permission had been granted.
- b) Location: Walnut Lodge, Church Lane, East Drayton: *Proposal:* Erect two storey extension. No objections. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- c) DECISION NOTICE: Location: South View Farm, Low Street, East Drayton. Demolish part of conservatory and covered walkway to rear of dwelling. The Parish Council noted permission had been granted.
- d) DECISION NOTICE: Location: South View Farm, Low Street, East Drayton. Erect two storey rear extension to create sun room and bedroom over. The Parish Council permission had been granted.

7 General Business

a) Sweeping of village roads

Cllr Ogle commented that part of the village had been swept, but not Church Lane and Low Street. It would appear the road sweeper had been preparing for resurfacing.

b) Overgrown trees in Churchyard

Cllr Goddard reported several trees in the Churchyard were now becoming very overgrown and he was unable to get under them with the mower. It was AGREED this should be rectified and Cllr Goddard offered to trim the trees. **ACTION: Cllr Goddard.**

c) Obstruction to visibility on Darlton Road

It was pointed out that at the entrance to the A57 there was an electricity pole that had a tree growing around it, causing visibility problems. Cllr Goddard AGREED to approach Mr Colin Garfoot at Strawson's to see if it could be trimmed.

d) State of Telephone Box

Cllr Jones reported that the telephone box was not being cleaned and it was AGREED to contact BT to request it be cleaned. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

8 Meeting adjourned for public discussion.

a) Mr Drake asked for clarification on the position of a caravan at Mr Gris Stevens' property on Top Street. The Chairman advised that it was there in preparation for the property being renovated.

9 Finance

a) Income

None.

- b) Accounts for Payment
 - i) The Council AGREED the payment of £80.00 for subscription to the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- c) Balance of Accounts

The account balances as at 19th July 2005 were:

Lloyds Bank 1,908.00 Nottingham BS 154.93 2,062.93

c) Transfer of Funds - Not required.

The Chairman confirmed Mr Bert Neate had received a bottle of wine as thanks for auditing the books and he agreed to attend to the accounts next year also.

Concerning funds, the Chairman asked fellow Councillors for thoughts on any community projects that would benefit from financial help. He felt it would be appropriate to put back something into the community and suggested thought be given to this over the next few weeks.

Discussion followed and Cllr Jones suggested starting up a club, but someone to lead the group may be a problem. Mr Philip Ogle had suggested the possibility of a new village hall. Further discussion followed and it was felt this would be a major task and input from the younger generation within the village would be required. This would be a village hall committee project with Parish Council support. It was AGREED Cllr Ogle would talk to Mr Philip Ogle, with a view to the Chairman contacting him to see if an open village meeting could be arranged in October to 'test the water'. A note to be inserted in the September issue of the village newsletter to this effect.

10 Urgent Business

None.

11 Date and time of next meeting

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday, 20th September 2005 at 7.30 pm.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending and declared the meeting closed at 8.45 pm.

