

# East Drayton Parish Council

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council held  
at 7.30pm on Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> May 2003 in the Village Hall

## **Present:**

Cllr M Ogle, Chairman

Cllrs D Allen, J Jones, J Parker, H Shreeve and J Goddard.

In attendance: DCllr K Izard, Pc G Waters and S Pickard (Clerk).

Members of the public: 1

## **1 Apologies for Absence**

Cllr R Small (work) and CCllr J Hemsall.

The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming DCllr Izard and Pc Graeme Waters.

## **2 Election of Chairman**

It was PROPOSED by Cllr Allen and SECONDED by Cllr Shreeve that Cllr Ogle be elected Chairman. ALL AGREED.

## **3 Election of Vice Chairman**

It was PROPOSED by Cllr Goddard and SECONDED by Cllr Ogle that Cllr Small be elected Vice Chairman. ALL AGREED.

## **4 Minutes of meeting held 15<sup>th</sup> April 2003**

The minutes were approved and signed as a true record.

## **5 Matters Arising**

### **a) Fernleigh, Church Street, East Drayton**

The amended plans were compared with the original ones sent to the Council and discussion followed.

Cllr Goddard asked DCllr Izard, as chairman of the planning committee, if there was any control over applicants making amendments to their plans once the Parish Council had inspected and commented on them. DCllr Izard informed the Council he was not allowed to comment on individual proposals. He could say in general terms, that consent could be granted on one set of plans, (to establish a principal, say for a single garage, and then put in for a double garage) and these could subsequently be amended and this often occurred. The official view was that the Council was not bound to send out amendments.

## **6 Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

## **7 Meeting adjourned for public discussion.**

Mr Hardy reported that the new, larger village noticeboard was nearly complete and Cllr Ogle thanked him.

## **8 Pc Waters' Crime Report**

Pc Waters reported that during the period 17<sup>th</sup> March/17<sup>th</sup> April a shed at Low Farm, Low Street had been broken into and a chainsaw stolen. Also a generator had been stolen at Laurel House Farm. Fingerprints and car registration details had been noted and the Police were working on the information. Pc Waters advised that there were currently two teams operating in the area; one from Retford and one from Worksop. Pc Waters stressed how important it was to try to get the registration numbers of suspect vehicles if possible. Cllr Goddard added that there had been a break-in this morning at Mill Farm buildings, but they were unsure what had been taken. Pc Waters added that the Nottingham Police Traffic

Support team would be starting on a survey in the area shortly. Also, the Mobile Police Unit would be visiting the village this Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> May from 2.00pm – 3.00pm. A poster had been placed on the noticeboard to this effect.

Pc Waters offered to give a short slide presentation of his recent charity expedition and it was AGREED to organise this after next month's Parish Council meeting at 8.00 pm on Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> June 2003 and have a social evening and invite members of the public.

**ACTION: S Pickard** (poster for noticeboard to advertise the evening).

Cllr Ogle thanked Pc Waters for attending and he left the meeting at 8.05 pm.

## 9 Finance

### a) Accounts for Payment

i) After discussion, the Council AGREED payment of £196.17 to Allianz Cornhill for the annual insurance premium. **ACTION: S Pickard.** Cllr Allen suggested NALC be contacted to see what the Council's responsibilities were in this matter and then it could be discussed as to whether all the items mentioned on the insurance were necessary and negotiate a refund if appropriate. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

### b) Income

i) The Council noted the receipt of £0.22 interest and £752.00 precept/contributions payment into the current account from Bassetlaw District Council.  
ii) The Council also noted interest of £135.11 for the year ending 31 March 2003 on the Lytchgate Committee Fund. Account balance as at 27<sup>th</sup> March 2003 is £8,868.03.

### c) Transfer of Funds

The Council AGREED to transfer from the current account to the Building Society account £350.00. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

### d) Balance of Accounts

The account balances as at 20<sup>th</sup> May 2003 were:

	£
Lloyds Bank	853.67
Nottingham Building Society	<u>1,099.50</u>
	1,953.17

### e) Adoption of Accounts for year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2003

The Council approved the accounts for 2002/2003 which were then signed by the Chairman and the Responsible Financial Officer. The approved accounts are attached to these minutes and form an integral part of them.

### f) Completion of Statement of Assurance

Section 2 of Annual return for year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2003 was completed by the Council members and signed by the Chairman in preparation for the internal audit.

DCllr Izard left the room.

## 10 Planning

a) Manor House Farm, East Drayton. Proposal: erect two storey extension. No objections. **ACTION: S Pickard.** Discussion followed concerning nearby buildings that had been passed for office buildings/storage, but looked rather elaborate for that purpose.

DCllr Izard rejoined the meeting.

## 11 Lytchgate

Cllr Jones reported that the finial had been taken to Kirk & Bills for sandblasting. Both ends of the lytchgate were almost complete and Cllr Allen commented that it looked a very

professional job. A photograph had been taken as it was in situ at Farndon. Cllr Jones to enquire as to when to apply for the other half of the grant.

## 12 Correspondence

### Nottinghamshire County Council:

#### Bassetlaw District Council:

- a) Letter advising grants and precepts for 2003/04 (first instalment £752 now in bank a/c; second instalment to arrive by 30 September 2004 £751, totalling £1,503); In circulation folder.

### NALC:

#### General:

- b) Hacker Young correspondence re Annual Audit for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2003; (being retained by Clerk for completion);
- c) Nottinghamshire Healthcare newsletter, Brain Waves, March 2003; In circulation folder.
- d) Rampton Hospital, Community Forum Meeting notes of meeting held 10<sup>th</sup> March 2003; In circulation folder.
- e) Society of Local Council Clerks, meeting at the office of Southwell Town Council, Old Court House, The Burgage, Southwell on Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> June 2003 at 7.30pm; In circulation folder.
- f) Clerks & Councils Direct, May 2003; In circulation folder.
- g) Glasdon, Local Councils news sheet, Spring/Summer 2003; In circulation folder.
- h) CPRE, entry form for Best Kept Village Competition 2003; In circulation folder.

#### Correspondence received after agenda prepared:

- i) Rampton Hospital, Community Forum meeting; Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> June 2003 in the Board Room, William Tuke House at 2.30 pm; In circulation folder.
- j) NALC: Quality Parish Councils seminar on Saturday, 28<sup>th</sup> June 2003 10.00 am to 1.00 pm at the Minster School, Main Hall, Nottingham Road Site, Southwell (£15.00 per participant); Long Service Certificate nomination form; and 'Our Common Land' publication order form;
- k) Bassetlaw District Council – Licensing Act – organisation of presentation evening to explain the workings of the new legislation; It was AGREED that this matter should be supported and a letter sent to Bassetlaw offering to host an evening (or joint evening with other parishes in the ward). Suggested dates of Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> September (first choice) and Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> September (second choice) to be put forward. (Correspondence retained for Clerk to act upon)

#### **ACTION: S Pickard.**

- l) Defra – Good Councillors Guide; In circulation folder.
- m) Travel and Transport Briefing – May 2003; In circulation folder.
- n) Planning and Property Briefing – May 2003; In circulation folder.
- o) Your Environment – Spring 2003; In circulation folder.
- p) Rural Voice – Spring 2003; In circulation folder.
- q) East Midlands Ambulance Service – Estates Strategic Review Project Board; In circulation folder.
- r) Rural Mobile Contact Point Police Unit in East Drayton Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2003 2.00 pm – 3.00 pm (Chairman informed and poster sent to Cllr Jones for noticeboard).

Cllr Shreeve left the meeting at 9.00 pm.

### 13 Urgent Business

a) Cherry tree

It had been brought to Cllr Jones' attention the dangers of the overhanging cherry tree branches on Stokeham corner. Cllr Jones AGREED to cut the branches and Cllr Allen AGREED to collect and dispose of them.

b) Carl Bro – proposed drainage works

Cllr Jones reported that no newts were caught in the traps set for them in Mrs Jean Day's garden. The Council stressed how important it was that there would be no delay in the commencement of the work because of harvest and enquiries are to be made of Carl Bro. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

c) Health scare caused by telephone masts

The Council members were shown a newspaper cutting concerning a connection with breast cancer due to the proximity of telephone masts. Discussion followed and DCllr Izard commented on how many there were in this vicinity. He advised that the network provider needed the landowner's consent to erect a 15m high mast (sometimes making payments to the landowner of up to £4,000) and they must give 56 days' notification to the local planning authority of their intent. DCllr Izard added that the planning authority could call in the consent, but not on health grounds. He added that despite what appears in the media there was no scientific evidence relating the masts to health matters.

d) Council Meetings

The Chairman confirmed that the Council meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month.

e) 30 mph sign

Cllr Goddard advised the sign had still not been replaced and Cllr Shreeve added that the recent road traffic accident in the village may have been due to speed. Bolham Lane to be contacted – **ACTION: S Pickard.**

### 14 Date and time of next meeting

Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> June 2003 at **7.00 pm**. Pc Graeme Waters' slide show and presentation evening to commence afterwards at 8.00 pm.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending and declared the meeting closed at 9.25 pm.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ 2003