

East Drayton Parish Council

Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held
at 7.30pm on Monday, 17th January 2012 in the Village Hall

Present:

Cllrs N Stanley, A Stanley, I Stephens, H Mackintosh, M Goddard, P Ogle and R Small. In attendance: Clerk, S Pickard. Members of the public: 0.

1 **Apologies for Absence** – were received from Pc Bailey .

2 **Minutes of meeting held on 19th December 2011** - were approved and signed.

3 **Matters Arising**

a) BDC Neighbourhood Plans – The Chairman read out an email from Mr Luke Brown from the Planning Department at Bassetlaw DC in which he clarified that The Blue Bell did have planning permission for residential development, but this has now lapsed. Considering the new development plan for the district, a new planning permission would be difficult to obtain unless there is village support through the development of a Neighbourhood Plan. Regarding the other farm sites, for permissions that have not been implemented within the agreed three years, they will have lapsed and similarly would struggle to gain new permission. East Drayton's village envelope is being removed and this will restrict any future development (unless there is village support through a Neighbourhood Plan). Mr Brown added that a member of the planning team would be available to attend a Parish Council meeting to explain. This was not felt necessary as there were very few potential sites in the village.

b) Felling of Ash tree at Ktima - The Chairman advised that permission had been granted after the deadline date given to the Parish Council for comments and the confusion may have arisen due to earlier minutes and agenda still being posted on the village notice board. The query is resolved.

c) Repainting of phone box – Cllr Mackintosh has a contact who may be willing to undertake the repainting of the phone box and the Clerk produced the paint specification received from BT to enable a good match.

4 **Declarations of Interest** – There were no declarations.

5 **Correspondence**

Nottinghamshire County Council

a) Local Improvement Scheme Event – Tuesday, 15th May 2012 at New Showground; Information to be placed in Circulation folder for consideration at next month's meeting.

NALC

b) Double Taxation – A message from Gordon Brown. To be placed in Circulation Folder.

Police

c) Priority Setting Meeting – at Retford Town Hall, tomorrow, Wednesday, 18th January 2012. The Chairman agreed to contact Pc Crofts for further details concerning his possible attendance at the meeting.

d) Pc Bailey was unable to attend tonight, but emailed a Crime Report to the Clerk:

'.....after a long period being crime free, the village was hit overnight 12/13th January and four burglaries occurred in one night. Clearly the work of one team, who seem to have spent several hours around the village, this is being investigated by the CID at Retford. With the end of the year, I have been able to review how many crimes in total occurred in East Drayton during 2011. The figures total three, with one in April and two in June. Sadly, 2012 has not got off to a good start with that total being beaten in one night.'

General

e) Rampton Hospital Community Forum meeting to be held on Thursday, 19th January 2012. No one available to attend; apologies to be sent. **ACTION: S Pickard**

f) Feedback invited on Bassetlaw Commissioning Organisation (BCO) Commissioning Intentions 2012/13. Email printout placed in Circulation folder.

- g) Leiston-cum-Sizewell Town Council - regarding their proposal submitted under the Sustainable Communities Act and the Suffolk Association of Local Councils. The proposal will give Town and Parish Councils new tools to better assess major planning applications that will affect their area. (East Drayton Parish Council gave its support last year). Email print out in Circulation folder.
- h) Thank you letter received from Mrs Jean Bingham concerning the Parish Council's donation to the Sports Club.
- i) Acknowledgement also received from Mrs Ogle for donations made to the Senior Citizens' Club and the Village Hall committee.

6 **Planning** – there were no planning matters.

7 **General Business**

i) Village Newsletter update – Cllr Mackintosh confirmed he had spoken to Mr Steve Ellis who is happy to include details on the website. He has asked for a QR (quick response) code to be printed on the village newsletter to enable those with smart phones to scan the barcode which will then goes direct to the village website. It was confirmed that the village newsletter 'is not an organ of the Parish Council'. Cllr Mackintosh said he was still hoping for publication at the beginning of February and topics that could be covered included the recent crime issues and the Chairman added he would like mention made of the Best Kept Village competition in due course. Thanks to Mr John Strawson, who has kindly agreed to undertake the newsletter print run.

8 **Meeting adjourned for Public Discussion** – no members of the public were present.

9 **Finance**

- a) Income - None.
- b) Accounts for Payment – None.
- c) Balance of Accounts

The account balances as at 17 th January 2012 were:	£
Nottingham BS	1,907.93
Lloyds TSB	<u>730.34</u>
	2,638.27

- d) Transfer of Funds – Not required.
- e) Parish Precept & Contribution application to Bassetlaw District Council 2012/13
 After discussion the following figures were RESOLVED for the budget:
 The concurrent grant is confirmed at £267, this involves a precept requirement of £2,421.
 Application form to be completed accordingly. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

10 **Urgent Business**

- i) Overhanging hedge at The Bungalow on Top Street – dog walkers have commented they have to leave the pavement to avoid the hedge. It was AGREED to contact Bassetlaw District Council to request the owner trim the hedge. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- ii) Cllr Mrs Stanley asked when there would be a further meeting to discuss the Queen's Diamond Jubilee celebrations. Chairman of the committee, Cllr Ogle said he would be in contact to organise this shortly.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed.

11 **Date and time of next meeting** – The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on **Tuesday, 21st February 2012 at 7.30 pm.**

Signed _____ Date _____