

East Drayton Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held
at 7.30pm on Tuesday, 17th November 2009 in the Village Hall

Present:

Cllr N Stanley (Chairman), Cllrs M Ogle, P Ogle, D Allen, J Parker, R Small and H Shreeve. In attendance: S Pickard (Clerk). Members of the public: 2.

- 1 **Apologies for Absence** – received from DCllrs K and S Isard.
- 2 **Minutes of meeting held on 21st October 2009** - were approved and signed after one amendment to Declaration of Interest made by Cllr M Ogle, not Cllr Small.
- 3 **Matters Arising**
 - a) Drainage issues in the village
The Clerk read out an email received from Mr Ian Davies at Bassetlaw District Council confirming the work carried out at Vine Farm and that CPS will deliver the Flood Resilience Package to the village. Cllr Small said the pack had not yet been delivered. It was AGREED to write to Mr Davies to thank him for all his efforts regarding the problems at Vine Farm and to query the delivery date for the emergency flood equipment. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
 - b) Redefining of village envelope boundaries
To be dealt with in Agenda item 7ii).
 - c) Parish Grant Scheme
It had been previously AGREED to complete the application for £300 to go towards redecoration of the village hall. Forms to be completed and returned to Bassetlaw District Council accordingly. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
 - d) Clearing of weeds in pavement gutters
This has now been attended to.
 - e) Blocked drains on Retford Road
These have been cleared with the exception near Cllr Small's property; where water from the drain flows the full width of the road. This is a road safety issue and it was AGREED the Highways Department should be contacted again to request a revisit. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
 - f) Reinstatement of village signs
The Clerk advised she had contacted the Highways Department to request they liaise with the Chairman, who has not received a call. A further phone call should be made to chase this up. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
 - g) Road signage on A57
CCllr Hemsall had agreed to investigate this matter and he should be contacted to see if there was any news. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
 - h) New bus timetable for bus shelter
Veolia bus company to be contacted to request they supply revised timetable. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- 4 **Declarations of Interest** – There were no declarations.
- 5 **Correspondence**
 - Nottinghamshire County Council:
 - a) Planning & Landscape Briefing, November 2009; In circulation folder.
 - NALC:
 - b) AGM notice; 18th November 2009 at Epperstone Village Hall; Working together with Notts County Council (questionnaire completed regarding lack of communication, damage to marker posts whilst grass mowing and refusal to repair Back Lane) **ACTION: S Pickard**; training seminar: How to understand planning applications and how to challenge them (4th February 2010 at Sutton-cum-Lound Village Hall) – the Chairman to attend. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
 - General:
 - c) Flyer for mobile bar. In circulation folder.

Correspondence received after Agenda sent out:

- d) Planning & Landscape Briefing, November 2009; In circulation folder.
- e) Notts Police Commander's Update; In circulation folder.
- f) Clerk's & Councils Direct; In circulation folder.
- g) Retford Action Centre enquiry: AGREED to invite Laura Goad to next meeting to deliver brochures about the Centre. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- h) Run in England poster; for the notice board.
- i) Notts County Council budget cuts (consultation, comments by January 2010);
- j) Review of Waste Collection Service: Comments to be sent strongly objecting to the withdrawal of the service that is used widely and correctly in the village. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- k) NALC Northern Area Committee meeting agenda for 23rd November 2009 at 7.30 pm in Council Chambers, Retford Town Hall. Chairman and Cllr M Ogle to attend. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- l) Notts County Council and Parish and Town Council Event, 10th December at County Hall. Possibility of Chairman attending.

6 Meeting adjourned for public discussion

- i) Planning proposal: Transit caravan site at Treswell: Mr Graham Loader voiced his concern regarding the environment and increase of CO₂ levels as the field would be laid down to concrete. Also the proposal is within the Greenbelt and to allow this would set a precedent and anybody could buy a block of greenbelt land and build on it.
- ii) Pond in field adjacent to The Riddings: Mr Ian Summers also voiced his concern about the foul smell emanating from the pond and asked if anything could be done about it. Cllr Allen said he owned the field ten years ago; it was a natural field pond for cattle to drink from. The Chairman AGREED to contact Mr Graham Small to ask him to investigate. **ACTION: Chairman.**
- iii) Street signs: Mr Summers also mentioned that the bus that arrives in the village at 4.30 pm keeps backing up and knocking the road sign. It was AGREED to contact Veolia to request a meeting to discuss the dangers of buses turning around in the village. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- iv) Pavement damage at Mr Summers asked if the Highways Department could be contacted regarding the damaged pavement outside his house and asked if a request could be made for resurfacing on the grounds of health and safety. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- v) Speeding traffic through the village: Mr Summers also commented on the high speed some vehicles take through the village and warned of a serious accident before long. It was AGREED to contact Pc Bailey to see what he could do, regarding Police presence in the village and the possibility of a radar trap being organised. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

7 Planning

- i) Location: Land off Cocking Lane, Treswell. *Proposal*: Change of use of agricultural land to transit caravan park, construct new access and retain operational works to level land. The Chairman commented that the site was nearer to Rampton, but it had not been brought to the attention of that Parish Council. East Drayton Parish Council objected to the proposal for the following reasons: The proposed site is well outside any established envelope. It is situated on a green field site and would not be developed for housing. There is a road safety issue as access would be gained via a busy road and although it is understood the entrance has been resited on the plan, it would have to be very wide to accommodate large vehicles. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- ii) Location: Yew Tree Cottage, Top Street, East Drayton; *Proposal*: Two storey rear extension. The Council had no objections. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- iii) DECISION NOTICE: Tithe Barn Cottage, North Green, East Drayton. Retain boundary wall. The Council noted permission had been granted. To be filed. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- iv) DECISION NOTICE: Church Lane Farm, Church Lane, East Drayton. Demolish Garage, outbuildings and dilapidated agricultural buildings. Erect detached residential dwelling with integral double garage incorporating farm business office and farm workers mess room. The Council noted permission had been granted. To be filed. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

8 General Business

- i) **Community Forum Meeting**: Cllr Allen and Cllr M Ogle attended the quarterly meeting. Four Parish Councils were represented and Mr Alex White gave a presentation on the new Learning & Development Conference Centre that will be completed in July 2010. It will

provide training facilities and cost around £3m. There is a new executive director of nursing. A feasibility study is to be undertaken concerning a new sewage system. However, funding has already been agreed.

- ii) **Closer liaison with surrounding Parish Councils:** The Chairman confirmed he had contacted East Markham, Rampton, Normanton-on-Trent and Dunham-on-Trent Parish Councils to investigate the possibility of working together on certain issues. Laneham is already 'in the loop'. All Parish Councils, (except Dunham-on-Trent who wished to remain parochial) were in agreement and the Chairman suggested a meeting in January to explore possibilities. Mr Steve Brown at Bassetlaw District Council had indicated there would be £4,000 available for such a group.
- iii) **Street name provision survey:** The Chairman confirmed a full survey will be conducted next week and he will accompany Mr Alan Platts around the village.
- iv) **Flood Resilience Package:** Mr Ian Davies to be contacted, see Agenda item 3a).
- v) **New hedging/fencing near St Peter's Church:** Funding for this will be allocated from the Lychgate Fund. Cllr Allen AGREED to make enquiries regarding hedging and Mrs Goddard has agreed to donate the wraparounds. In the meantime the hole in the hedge should be blocked up to prevent people taking a short cut into the field. The Chairman, Cllr Small and Cllr Allen all AGREED to meet on site next week.

9 Finance

- a) Income - The Clerk .
- b) Accounts for Payment – The Council approved payment of £20.00 to enable the Chairman to attend a NALC training seminar on 4th February 2010 .
- c) Balance of Accounts
The account balances as at 17th November 2009 were:

	£
Nottingham BS	2,057.91
Lloyds TSB	<u>1,231.26</u>
	3,289.17
- d) Transfer of Funds – It was AGREED to transfer £800 (EIGHT HUNDRED POUNDS) from Lloyds TSB to the Nottingham Building Society. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

10 **Urgent Business** - Cllr M Ogle commented that Help the Aged had made contact as a result of the new village website.

11 **Date and time of next meeting** – The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Tuesday, 15th December 2009 at 7.30 pm.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and declared the meeting closed at 9.10 pm.

Signed _____ Date _____

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