

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 13th January 2016 at 7.45pm

Apologies

Mrs Godfrey

Present

Chairman Mr Bust, Mr Paris, Mrs Herbert, Mrs Simmonds, Mr Bevans, Mrs Todd, clerk Mr Rickett
Cllrs Rainbow and Jackson and 2 parishioners

Devolution – Mr Tony Roberts

The Chairman welcomed Mr Roberts a Cllr from Mattersey PC

Mr Roberts explained that he was representing a group that was looking into an alternative devolution – ARENA – Association of Rural East Notts Authority

They would be looking at an area from the A614 to the Lincolnshire border, covering villages and small market towns

Devolution as it stands at the moment would combine Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire and become North Midlands Unitary, they would have a budget of 30 million and an elected mayor. It would have a strong urban agenda, the rural vote is less than 15%

Under ARENA the PCs would have more responsibility - grass cutting, street cleaning, the PC were unsure about this, where would the money come from, would we have to find people ourselves or would there be a recognised group to use

The Boundary Commission will have to sort out the final set up

The PC agreed in principle to support the more rural approach and will monitor things as they happen

The Chairman thanked Mr Roberts for attending

Cllrs Jackson and Rainbow informed the PC that other parts of the country were moving towards this as well

Minutes of the previous meeting were signed as a true record

Matters arising from previous meetings

None

Village hall

Meeting dates – after much discussion it was agreed to revert back to the 2nd Thursday in the month – 3 for 1 against 1 abstention

Car parking – still having the occasional problem – no further action but will monitor the situation

Race night – Friday 12th February at 7pm tickets £5, with a pie and pea supper

Clerk to arrange for the damp patches to be sorted, agreed that it would be helpful to have volunteers to help with things like painting. A regular check needs to be made to stop things going to far

The Jubilee Tapestry is to be remounted away from the wall to allow the air to circulate and prevent damp

Roads and hedges

There have been complaints about parking opposite and next to St Michaels Close making it difficult to pull out – to be put in the Village News

The hedge at Walnut Tree cottage over hangs on the corner of the bend, making it difficult to use the pavement and see oncoming traffic. Also the moss is making it very slippery, one person has fallen over there, also the hedge at Yew Tree Cottage makes using the path difficult, the clerk to see the owners and contact Mr Duckworth

Cllrs Jackson reported that the gulley sucking should recommence on a more regular basis when the new firm takes over

Clerk to ask Mr Duckworth for the emergency number for gritting

There have been complaints about the footpath at the top of Machins Farm, it is very muddy on the bend and there is evidence of motor bikes and 4 x 4 using the field, the Chairman to speak to Mr Allen the owner and Mr Paris to speak to the beat officer

Rubbish has been dumped on Grey Lane NCC to be contacted

Several large potholes are appearing again – Mr Duckworth to be contacted

A tree on Halam Hill was felled with out notice to landowner or PC, cllr Jackson said this could be done if the Council felt it was dangerous

20 MPH signs- these are being put up outside all schools in Nottinghamshire

Open Meeting

The Queen's 90th Birthday – ideas of a village party or beacon - put on next agenda

Correspondence

Police Stakeholder Event – Mrs Todd gave a report - possibility of trying Neighbourhood Watch again as it seems to be working well in other areas

Planning

None

Planning decisions

Appledale Radley Road – approved by NSDC

Finance

Agreed to Precept for £7500 (seven Thousand five hundred pounds)

Agreed to pay fire check £72.00

Items for the next agenda

Queen's 90th Birthday

Date of next meeting

Thursday 11th February 2016 at 7.30pm

As there was no further business the meeting closed at 8.50pm