

East Drayton Parish Council

Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held
at 7.30pm on Tuesday, 15th June 2010 in the Village Hall

Present:

Cllr N Stanley (Chairman), Cllrs A Stanley, P Ogle, R Small, H Mackintosh, I Stephens & Pc Bailey. In attendance: Clerk, S Pickard. Members of the public: 1.

- 1 **Apologies for Absence** – received from Cllr M Goddard, DCllrs K & S Isard, and CCllr J Hemsall.
- 2 **Minutes of meeting held on 18th May 2010** - were approved and signed.

3 **Matters Arising**

a) Risk Management Assessment re Insurance

The Chairman confirmed that he would complete the assessment accordingly. The Community Emergency Plan had been circulated in the folder and there were no further comments to add.

b) Footpath intrusion from overgrown hedge, North Green

The matter has not yet been attended to and the Chairman agreed to call round and speak to the owners.

c) State of road surface on Low Street

The Clerk advised an email reply had been received from Mr Johnny Davis saying he had passed the Council's letter to his works co-ordinators for inspection and any remedial works they felt necessary. It was noted this did not sound as though re-surfacing was imminent.

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

5 **Correspondence**

Bassetlaw District Council:

- a) Encouraging Play in Rural Areas 2010/11 Small Grant scheme; The matter has been debated at previous meetings and agreed there is nowhere suitable in the village for the development of such a facility.
- b) Service and Facilities Study questionnaire – completed regarding local amenities within the village. To be returned to Bassetlaw District Council. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- c) Standards for England Publications – Bulletin 45. The Clerk requested all Parish Councillors read the bulletin for up-to-date news on legislation. To be placed in the Circulation Folder.
- d) Severe Winter Weather report – Bassetlaw District Council is keen to learn from the experiences, suggestions and views of the Parish Council as part of their review policy, so lessons can be learnt and changes made where needed. It was AGREED to complete the report stating that the Parish Council appreciated its concern and the hazards it had to deal with over last winter, but more gritting of the roads was necessary, especially through to the A57, going to the Power Station and the road to Stokeham (particularly on the bad bends) to enable emergency vehicles to get in and out of the village. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- e) Parish Councils Liaison Group minutes from last meeting held 17.2.10. Agenda for 14.7.10. To be placed in the Circulation folder.

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- f) Transport Survey – To be placed in the Circulation folder for Councillors to study in detail and add any comments as they felt necessary. Reply required by 18th July - the Chairman to complete the survey on-line. **ACTION: N Stanley.**

6 **Planning**

- i) Tythe Barn Cottage, East Drayton: Levelling of wall. The Clerk advised Mr Ian Boothby at the Planning Department had no knowledge of this and requested further information. The Clerk AGREED to send a copy of the drawing sent to the Council that explained about the dip in the soil. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

7 General Business

- i) Participation in the Community Emergency Plan – Referred to earlier in 3a). The Chairman will complete the Plan for East Drayton giving Parish Councillor names and contact details. **ACTION: N Stanley.**
- ii) Core Strategy 'Preferred Options' meeting, 3rd June 2010 – Cllr Ogle and Cllr I Stephens attended, but said there was little new information. The Council was already aware that the village envelope will disappear and little development would occur due to the lack of services; there could be only be a little infill and the odd barn conversion. The District Council would prefer to see development more in Tuxford and East Markham.
- iii) Sustainability Appraisal and Habitat Regulations Assessment – The Chairman attended the meeting and advised this did not affect East Drayton.
- iv) New Councillor training – 22nd July 2010, 7.30pm – 9.30 pm Ranby VH; Cllrs Ian Stephens, Hugh Mackintosh and Mike Goddard to attend. NALC form to be completed accordingly. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- v) Long Service Awards – The Clerk advised she had contact Lynda Ogilvie at NALC and application forms for awards will be sent out with the AGM information later in the year.
- vi) Local Improvement Scheme – The Chairman attended the meeting. East Drayton is to receive a new notice board shortly under this scheme, which follows on from the Building Better Communities. The Chairman gave a brief report and advised that Colston Bassett (similar in size to East Drayton) now have new signs at the entrances and in the centre, depicting the village history funded wholly by the scheme. Other areas eligible for funding include allotments, play areas, footpaths etc. The Chairman suggested two new entrance signs for the village and asked Councillors to consider this and further discussion could take place at next month's meeting. All the signs on offer have been passed by the Conservation Officer. Other suggestions for the village included another seat for the Church, or bench at the cricket field.
- vii) Grass cutting – the Chairman confirmed he had contacted the Highways Department and the roadside verges to Laneham and Upton should be cut this week.

- 8 **Crime Report** – Pc Bailey reported that there had only been two crimes this year in the village. A new PCSO has been appointed and it is hoped Clare Walker will attend future meetings with Pc Bailey. A new multiple text messaging service is now being used by the Police to alert people of a significant crime that has occurred in the area. Anyone wishing to receive these messages should give Pc Bailey their mobile 'phone details. It is hoped the information will then cascade down and be a quick and cost-effective method of contacting many people to alert them of crime and urge them to 'be aware'. At present it is aimed at distraction burglaries.

9 Meeting adjourned for Public Discussion – no comments.

10 Finance

- a) Income - None.
- b) Accounts for Payment
 - i) The Council APPROVED payment of £313.27 being the Clerk's salary and expenses. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

- c) Balance of Accounts

The account balances as at 15 th June 2010 were:		£
Nottingham BS		1,596.37
Lloyds TSB		<u>1,320.81</u>
		3,917.18

- d) Transfer of Funds – It was AGREED to transfer £700 (SEVEN HUNDRED POUNDS) to the Nottingham Building Society. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- e) Internal audit by Mrs Jose Ellis. It was AGREED to send a small gift to Mrs Ellis as a token of the Parish Council's appreciation for completing the audit. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- f) New signatories for banking details
As AGREED at the last meeting Cllr Philip Ogle and Hugh Mackintosh are to be new signatories at the Nottingham Building Society and at Lloyds Bank. Cllr Ogle and Cllr Mackintosh will complete the forms in due course.

10 **Urgent Business**

a) Cllr Ann Stanley asked Pc Bailey if there was any evidence to show that the speed restriction signs recently placed in the village have had any impact. She had particular concern for the primary and secondary school children waiting for buses and the speeding traffic. Pc Bailey said the signs were meant to be used in conjunction with the Community Speed Watch project and explained that this involved community volunteers monitoring the traffic. Ideally three people are required to operate the gun and take note of vehicle registration numbers (one relaying the information and one to write down). Usually a village has the equipment for a week/10 days and then it is passed on. Discussion followed and it was AGREED to check interest in the next village newsletter and feedback to Pc Bailey if there were any villagers willing to participate in the project.

11 **Date and time of next meeting** – The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Tuesday, 20th July 2010 at 7.30 pm.

Signed _____ Date _____

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