East Drayton Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at 7.30pm on Tuesday, 18th April 2006 in the Village Hall

Present:

Cllrs D Allen (Chairman), M Ogle, J Parker, J Goddard, J Jones, DCllr M Jenkins, CCllr J Hempsall and PC Bailey. In attendance: S Pickard (Clerk). Members of the public 1.

1 Apologies for Absence. Cllrs H Shreeve and R Small, and DCllr K Isard.

2 Minutes of meeting held 21st March 2006

The minutes of the above meeting were approved and signed as a true record after adding CCIIr Hempsall's name to the list of those present.

3 Matters Arising

a) Environmental health issue at Vine Farm

Cllr Ogle reported that after the last inspection Severn Trent Water had made a mess and a neighbour had complained about the grass. As a result Severn Trent have agreed to retarmac the area. Cllr Allen noted someone else had also made an inspection of the drains earlier in the week, but Cllr Ogle was unaware of this. Severn Trent insist it is a private drain – if this is so, it is their waste entering it. DCllr Jenkins and CCllr Hempsall expressed concern at how the situation had been allowed to run and run.

b) The Blue Bell Inn

The Clerk read out an email reply from DCllr Isard in which he reported that the appeals were allowed conditionally on 16th January 2006. No further applications have been received since that time. DCllr Jenkins AGREED to contact DCllr Isard to request he update the Parish Council. Cllr Goddard suggested that if no further news is forthcoming after ten days, further enquiries be made.

c) Tithe Barn Cottage

The Clerk read out an email reply from DCllr Isard in which he reported that the application had been withdrawn. A later letter from Mr Rowen at the Planning Department confirmed this.

d) Request for Chevrons on Stokeham Road

Mr R C Statham, Principal Customer Services Officer at Bolham Lane advised this request had been passed to the Traffic Management Team, but he doubted funds would be available.

e) Pothole on Bingham's Corner

No remedial work has yet taken place.

f) New Street Lights on Retford Road

Mr Tony Biondi had contacted the Clerk to explain that there had been difficulties in siting and connecting the new street lights which would be obstructed when the trees came into leaf. It was AGREED to contact Mr Biondi again to request a site meeting before any further money is spent and the lights are connected up. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

g) Community Speed Watch

The Chairman reported that as it had been decided to place the scheme 'on hold' at the last meeting the two volunteers had been sent a letter of thanks, advising them of the decision. CCIIr Hempsall agreed there are problems with the scheme, even after two neighbouring villages had agreed to work together and conduct the speed watch on each other's village.

h) Local Elections – 4th May 2006

The Chairman confirmed that for the first time in eight years there would be an election as there are eight people standing for seven seats on the Parish Council

4 Declarations of Interest.

There were no Declarations of Interest.

5 Correspondence

Nottinghamshire County Council:

a) Building Better Communities celebration invitation, Tuesday, 4th July 2006; Cllr Ogle to consider attending.

- b) Planning & Property Briefing, April 2006; In circulation folder.
- c) Travel & Transport Briefing, April 2006; In circulation folder.

Bassetlaw District Council:

- d) Parish Council Election information; In circulation folder.
- e) Electoral Register monthly amendment notice. In circulation folder.

NALC:

- f) Report of the Chief Executive. In circulation folder.
- g) Best Kept Village Competition for 2006 application forms. To be placed on Annual Parish Meeting Agenda later in the evening.

General:

- h) Hacker Young, audit forms. Retained by Clerk.
- i) Mobile Rural Contact Point poster for village noticeboard.
- j) Land Registry; Voluntary registration. In circulation folder.
- k) Trax FM offer to advertise village events; In circulation folder.
- I) Highways Agency, M1 Widening junctions 21-30 public exhibitions and consultations; In circulation folder.

6 Planning/Naming & Numbering

- Location: Land at Drayton Farm, East Drayton: The Council noted the intention of street naming and numbering – three bedroom detached house and garage to be known as Drayton Farmhouse, Low Street, East Drayton. No objections.
- ii) Location: 2 South View, Church Lane, East Drayton. *Proposal:* Lower kerb to create access. The Parish Council had no objections. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- iii) DECISION NOTICE: Apple Cross, Church Lane, East Drayton. Erect conservatory. The Parish Council noted permission had been granted.
- iv) DECSION NOTICE: 3 South View, Church Lane, East Drayton. Erect entrance porch, single storey rear kitchen extension and two storey side extension to create garage, utility with master bedroom and ensuite over and construct new vehicular access. The Parish Council noted permission had been granted.
- v) DECISION NOTICE: The Hollies, Low Street, East Drayton. Convert existing outbuildings to habitable use with single storey link extension. The Parish Council noted permission had been granted.

7 General Business

i) Village sign update

The Chairman reported that he had completed the metalwork and Mr Jim Simpson had finished carving the post. Cllr Parker suggested a ceremony and it was AGREED a celebration event should be held. This could be achieved if the framework was erected with the sign itself ready to screw in at the ceremony. The Chairman suggested this item be placed on next month's Agenda for more detailed discussion.

8 Meeting adjourned for public discussion

There were no comments made from the public.

9 Finance

- a) Income None.
- b) <u>Accounts for Payment</u> None. The Chairman confirmed there would be no cost involved concerning the forthcoming Parish Council election.
- c) Balance of Accounts

The account balances as at 18th April 2006 were: £

Nottingham BS 1,57.66 Lloyds TSB 122.09 1,696.75

- d) Transfer of Funds Not required.
- e) Adoption of Accounts for Year Ending 31st March 2006

The Council inspected the accounts for 2005/2006 and Cllr Goddard requested the reference to 'grass cutting' should read 'hedge' cutting. This was amended and initialled by the Chairman. Cllr Goddard PROPOSED the accounts be adopted and Cllr Ogle

SECONDED the proposal. All AGREED. These 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. It was AGREED to ask Mr Bert Neate if he would audit the accounts again. **ACTION: The Chairman.**

10 Urgent Business

- i) Cllr Goddard expressed concern at the number of motorbikes on the byway, from Back Lane to Retford Road. He had also seen a quad bike in a field of barley, making ruts and flattening the crop. The Chairman added that he had also recently seen a quad bike in the village. PC Bailey was asked about the legal side and he said 95% of them are on the road illegally. The biggest hurdle was catching them as they are not allowed to pursue them. They have to rely on either the child stopping when requested to do so, or someone recognising them and the Police making an approach to their home. PC Bailey added this was a situation being raised regularly at other Parish Council meetings. If names and addresses are to hand PC Bailey could take up the matter.
- ii) Cllr Parker reported that the 30mph speed limit sign at the bottom of Low Street had been removed and the fittings had disappeared. **ACTION:** S Pickard.
- iii) The street light outside No 7 Church Lane has gone out and needs replacing. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

11 Date and time of next meeting

Next month's meeting, the Annual Parish Council meeting, will take place on Tuesday, 16th May 2006 at 7.30 pm.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending and declared the meeting closed at 8.00 pm.

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