

# East Drayton Parish Council

Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held  
at 7.30pm on Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> May 2006 in the Village Hall

## Present:

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

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting, in particular newly-elected Cllr Phillip Ogle.

1 **Apologies for Absence.** Were received from DCllrs M Jenkins and K Isard.

## 2 Election of Chairman

It was PROPOSED by Cllr Ogle and SECONDED by Cllr Parker that Cllr Allen be re-elected Chairman. ALL AGREED.

## 3 Election of Vice-Chairman

It was PROPOSED by Cllr Allen and SECONDED by Cllr Shreeve that Cllr Ogle be re-elected Vice-Chairman. ALL AGREED.

## 4 Minutes of meeting held 18th April 2006

The minutes of the above meeting were approved and signed as a true record.

## 5 Matters Arising

### a) Vine Farm

Cllr Ogle reported that she had again contacted Severn Trent Water to request the letter she was promised from them five weeks ago. They say their part is finished now and continue to deny responsibility. All agreed the situation had gone on long enough and the Chairman suggested Cllr Ogle place the matter in the hands of her solicitor. CCllr Hemsall AGREED to contact Patrick Mercer MP re the finance side of legal help. **ACTION: CCllr Hemsall.**

### b) The Blue Bell Inn

The Chairman advised that DCllr Isard had passed to him a copy of the Appeal decision from the Planning Inspectorate. The Chairman commented that this Planning Inspector had taken a totally different view from the previous Inspector and allowed the Appeal. Amended plans were submitted at the Appeal itself and the Chairman read out excerpts from the report: Bassetlaw District Council has not formally adopted the Local Plan and the proposal was not considered to be out of place. Concerning the demolition side, the current flat roofed building was considered bland and would be an improvement to the area if demolished. The planned new car park was not deemed to be much different from the existing one and the visibility access was acceptable, not compromising highway safety. The conditions placed on the development included: lighting, landscaping, access width of 4.8m, architectural work beforehand and a bat survey. Discussion followed and all agreed it was a disappointing result.

### c) Pothole on Bingham's Corner

Nothing to report. It was AGREED to place the matter on next month's Agenda.

### d) Bolham Lane request re 30mph sign and street light defect

The Clerk confirmed a letter had been received from Bolham Lane advising the matters would be attended to in due course.

### e) New Street lights sited on Retford Road

The Chairman advised that he and Cllr Small had a site meeting with Mr Tony Biondi of Nottinghamshire County Council earlier in the month and there had been a satisfactory outcome. A transformer had been put in to enable one light to be sited further up the street and Cllr Small agreed to cut back the tree that was in the way of the far light. It was AGREED a letter of thanks should be sent to Mr Biondi. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

### f) Village sign celebration

It was AGREED to hold an opening celebration ceremony on Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> June at 11.00 am with coffee and biscuits in the village hall afterwards. The framework will be put in place and

the sign will be inserted at the ceremony. Cllr Phillip Ogle AGREED to advertise the event in the forthcoming village newsletter. The Chairman will double check with Mr Jim Simpson that everything can be put in place in time.

g) Parish Council Elections

Election turn-out was excellent – 181 in electorate with a 49.17% poll. It was AGREED a letter be sent to Mr Jeff Jones for his contribution as a Parish Councillor over the years, particularly his work regarding the Lychgate and an invitation extended to him to attend the village sign ceremony. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

6 **Declarations of Interest.** No declarations of Interest.

7 **Correspondence**

Nottinghamshire County Council:

a) Invitation to County Council Civic Service on Sunday, 16<sup>th</sup> July at 11.00 am at Southwell Minster. In circulation folder.

b) Countylink, April 2006; In circulation folder.

NALC:

c) New Councillor Training, Retford Town Hall, Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> June 2006 7.30 pm to 9.30 pm. Cllr Phillip Ogle AGREED to attend.

d) Northern Area Committee request for Information to enable proper representation of Parish Councils; In circulation folder.

e) Northern Area Committee Minutes from last meeting and Agenda for next meeting on 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2006; In circulation folder. No one available to attend. Apologies to be sent. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

General:

f) Emda News Magazine, April 2006; In circulation folder.

g) Clerks & Councils Direct, May 2006; In circulation folder.

h) Shaw's list of publications; In circulation folder.

i) Notts Police and Police Authority – Consultation with Parish Councils on the proposed merger of the East Midlands forces. Discussion followed and it was AGREED the Parish Council should comment on its concern of a proposed larger, more remote Police Force. Mention to be made of the proximity of Rampton Hospital and Ranby Prison and the issues involved. **ACTION: S Pickard** (in consultation with the Chairman).

j) Office of the Deputy Prime Minister – Local Authority Byelaws in England: A Discussion paper; Bassetlaw NHS PCT newsletter, April 2006; In circulation folder.

8 **Planning**

i) Location: Land at Drayton Farm, Long Lane, East Drayton. Street naming and numbering – three bedroom detached house and garage to be known at Drayton Farmhouse, Low Street, East Drayton. The Council noted this had now been confirmed.

ii) Location: Tithe Barn Cottage, North Green, East Drayton. *Proposal:* Erect dwelling with detached garage. The Council had no objections to put another building on the site, but commented that : 1. A set of plans has already been submitted, commented on by the Parish Council and subsequently been approved. Now another proposal is being submitted. 2. The proposed property would obstruct the view of the Church on Stokeham Road and detract from the attractiveness of St Peter's Church. 3. The architectural style of the proposed property is not in keeping with other properties in the village. 4. Why the need for a chimney on the garage. 5. Concern for overall height of the new building. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

iii) DECISION NOTICE: 2 South View, Church Lane, East Drayton. Lower kerb to create access. The Council noted permission had been granted.

9 **General Business**

i) Cllr Goddard reported a further nuisance motorbike in the village. Cllr Parker had included a note in the local press report warning parents of the safety and legality of such bikes. The Chairman reiterated that action could only be taken if the riders could be identified.

**10 Meeting adjourned for public discussion.**

- a) Mr Henderson commented on branches overhanging the footpath on Top Street and other areas where trimming was required. The Chairman and Cllr Goddard AGREED to attend to the Best Kept Village competition trees. Cllr Phillip Ogle AGREED to mention a request for trimming branches in the next village newsletter.

## 11 Finance

- a) Income

- i) The Council noted £974.00 precept/contributions payment into the current account from Bassetlaw District Council.

- b) Accounts for Payment –

- ii) The Council AGREED payment of £167.68 for insurance with the Community Council of Lincolnshire. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

- iii) The Council AGREED payment of £15.00 to NALC for New Councillor Training for Cllr Phillip Ogle. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

- ### c) Balance of Accounts

The account balances as at 16 <sup>th</sup> May 2006 were:	£
Lloyds Bank	1,096.09
Nottingham BS	<u>1,574.66</u>
	2,670.75

- c) Transfer of Funds – It was AGREED to transfer £500.00 (FIVE HUNDRED POUNDS) to the Nottingham Building Society from the current account. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

- #### d) Completion of Statement of Assurance

Section 2 of the Annual Return for the year ending March 31<sup>st</sup> 2006 was completed by the Council members and signed by the chairman in preparation for the internal audit, by Mr Bert Neate. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

## 12 Urgent Business

None.

### 13 Date and time of next meeting

Next month's meeting will take place on Tuesday, 20th June 2006 at 7.30 pm. CCllr Hemsall and Cllr Shreeve sent advance apologies.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending and declared the meeting closed at 9.20 pm.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_