

# East Drayton Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held  
at 7.30pm on Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> November 2008 in the Village Hall

## Present:

Cllr D Allen (Chairman), Cllrs M Ogle, J Parker, H Shreeve, P Ogle, N Stanley and R Small. In attendance: DCllr K Isard and S Pickard (Clerk). Members of the public: 0.

1 **Apologies for Absence** – were received from DCllr S Isard and Pc Bailey.

2 **Minutes of meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> October 2008** - were approved and signed.

## 3 **Matters Arising**

### a) Drainage issues in the village

Cllr M Ogle reported that she had recently spoken to Mr Davies who had agreed to visit this Friday morning to look at her cellar. Cllr Small also agreed to be present. The Chairman said that on reflection after Mr Davies' visit to the Parish Council; he wondered if the owners of the properties highlighted with him at last month's meeting should be made aware of what has been done on their behalf. It was AGREED letters should be sent to Mrs Jean Day, Mrs Linda Smith and Mr James Wilson to advise them of Mr Davies' impending visit. **ACTION: S Pickard.** The Clerk also added that she had received an email from Mr John Bowler attaching the survey results and this would be printed out in further detail and presented to next month's meeting. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

### b) Re-surfacing of Low Street

The Clerk advised no further correspondence had been received from Notts County Council (Ollerton) and it was AGREED a second letter should now be sent expressing disappointment at the lack of response. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

### c) Village Hall situation

Cllr Muriel Ogle advised that the PROHELP form had now been completed and checks were being made to ensure that funding is available not just for the initial visit. To be retained on Agenda.

### d) Unnecessary signage on A57 highway

The Clerk reported there had been no reply to the letter sent to Mr Alan Birt to reiterate the position regarding tractors and lorries having to pull right out over the white line for clear visibility and the road safety issues that presented. It was therefore AGREED to send a second letter. DCllr Isard added there was a similar issue at Tuxford. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

### e) Fledgelings Pre-School donation request

After discussion, it was AGREED to advise Fledgelings' request would be considered in the New Year. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

4 **Declarations of Interest** – None.

## 5 **Correspondence**

### a) Bassetlaw District Council:

Proposals to create a local area structure: DCllr Isard explained that the idea was to form a group of Parish Councils to work together for mutual benefit of the general area. The North East Bassetlaw Forum has developed over the last 4 years and it was now felt an appropriate time to consider another approach in the South East of the District. The SEBF (South East Bassetlaw Forum) could include Normanton-on-Trent, Dunham-on-Trent, Laneham, Tuxford and East Drayton. DCllr Isard added that parish representatives from the NEBF had indicated they would attend the first meeting to share their experiences. Discussion followed and it was AGREED to consider sending representatives to such forum meetings (possibly taking place at Tuxford). The Chairman, Cllr Ogle and Cllr Stanley expressed interest in attending. Mr Steve Brown, Support Services at Bassetlaw to be advised. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

b) Draft Open Space Study questionnaire. Discussion followed and it was AGREED to complete the comments sheet advising that the Council was not able to comment on individual use of facilities in the Bassetlaw area other than the sports facilities in the village are supported and parishioners welcome the fact that it exists. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

### General:

c) BCVS Year at a Glance and link card. In circulation folder.

d) Communities in control: Codes of conduct for local authority members and employees – A consultation: All documentation to be placed in the Circulation folder for comment at next meeting.

- e) Crime Report (email print out from Pc Bailey):
  - o Since 1.9.08 one reported crime: 8.9.08 on Low Street - Theft of a works van that was found burned out the following day.
- f) Bulky refuse collection information; to be placed on village notice board.
- g) Northern Area Committee meeting minutes held 18.9.08; The Clerk pointed out that the cessation of the concurrent grant was discussed. DCllr Isard confirmed that this is to be phased out and be replaced with another funding on a per capita basis with additional funding for capital projects. He added that parishes should not be worse off.

## 6 Planning

- i) **DECISION NOTICE:** Tithe Barn Cottage, North Green, East Drayton. Retain boundary wall. The Council noted permission had been refused. DCllr Isard pointed out that if the matter is not dealt with within three months it would be likely an enforcement notice could be served. To be filed. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

## 7 General Business

- a) Adopt a Kiosk scheme. The Chairman commented that at some point insurance should be considered (and at the same time the village sign should be included). Also the statutory services should be advised that the telephone has been removed and a permanent sign be displayed in the kiosk advising it is no longer in use. DCllr Isard suggested a sign could be made from traphelite which is used by the Power Stations for signage. Also the kiosk door would need to be fixed shut. Cllr Stanley AGREED to look into the signage and consider a suitable fastening.

At this point DCllr Isard left the meeting.

- b) Strawson's new building. The two wings were now being built. The original plans were inspected and it was AGREED the new building work was as per plan.
- c) New Councillor Guide. The Chairman referred to the Guide that was circulated recently and said he felt this would be useful for anyone who might be considering standing as a Parish Councillor in future election times. It was AGREED a supply should be requested and these be distributed as and when required. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- d) Freedom of Information Act. Documentation was placed in the circulation folder last month for thorough consideration as the Chairman felt it important everyone had a chance to read it through to enable discussion this evening. It was AGREED that the Parish Council did make information available to the public as part of its normal business activities. Cllr M Ogle proposed that the new publication scheme be formally adopted and Cllr Stanley seconded the proposal. ALL AGREED. NALC to be advised accordingly. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

## 8 Meeting adjourned for Public Discussion. No members of the public present.

## 9 Finance

- a) Income - None.
- b) Accounts for Payment – None.
- c) Balance of Accounts

The account balances as at 18<sup>th</sup> November 2008 were:

	£
Nottingham BS	2,802.62
Lloyds TSB	<u>268.91</u>
	3,071.53

- d) Transfer of Funds – Not required.

## 10 Urgent Business – None.

## 11 Date and time of next meeting - Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> December 2008 at 7.30 pm.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending and declared the meeting closed at 8.45 pm.

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