

# East Drayton Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held  
at 7.30pm on Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> February 2004 in the Village Hall

## Present:

Cllr M Ogle, Chairman

Cllrs D Allen, J Jones, J Parker, H Shreeve, J Goddard and R Small

In attendance: S Pickard (Clerk).

Members of the public: 2 (R Hardy, A Butler)

## 1 Apologies for Absence

DCllr R Sutton and CCllr J Hemsall

## 2 Minutes of meeting held 20th January 2004

The minutes of the above meeting were approved and signed as a true record after one correction (Cllr J Jones not present at the meeting).

## 3 Matters Arising

### a) Dog Fouling

The Clerk reported she had contacted the Environment Department (Mrs Pat Wilkinson) to chase the two bins required at each end of the lane. These would be put in place over the next two to three weeks with the appropriate sticker attached. Cllr Shreeve commented that the dog fouling in the lane was particularly bad and so the situation would be monitored, with possibly another request for the Animal Warden to re-visit.

### b) Manor House Farm, East Drayton

The Clerk reported she had contacted Mr Bob Dean at Bassetlaw District Council concerning the felled tree and was advised that the situation was being taken seriously. The enforcement officers were to be notified and Mr Dean agreed to keep the Clerk informed as to progress (and to return photograph sent by Chairman).

## 4 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

## 5 Meeting adjourned for public discussion.

No comments were made.

## 6 Correspondence

Nottinghamshire County Council:

a) Planning & Property Briefing, January & February 2004; In circulation folder.

b) Travel & Transport Briefing, February 2004; In circulation folder.

Bassetlaw District Council:

c) Bassetlaw Spring Clean – 19<sup>th</sup> April to 1<sup>st</sup> May 2004; In circulation folder.

d) Parish Council Code of Conduct and Membership of the Freemasons; In circulation folder.

NALC:

e) Subscription now due (under Finance); Retained by Clerk for payment.

General:

f) Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS staff newspaper, January 2004; In circulation folder.

g) E-mailed posters re May Bank holiday, Retford Charter Day, 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2004; Chairman to place on village noticeboard;

h) Glasdon News sheet and brochure; In circulation folder.

i) The Countryside Agency – Vital Villages Update, Autumn 2003; In circulation folder.

j) Pension Credit take-up; Taken by Chairman.

### Correspondence received after Agenda prepared:

k) Countylink – February 2004; In circulation folder.

l) Nottinghamshire Rural community council; Parish Plan Information Evening, Tuesday, 23 March 2004, 6.30 pm to 9.30 pm at Newstead Miners Welfare community Centre; No-one available to attend, Clerk to ask for information pack.

### **ACTION: S Pickard.**

m) BDC letter re: The Limes, Low Street, East Drayton; Construction of dog kennels; In circulation folder.

## 7 Finance

### a) Accounts for Payment

i) The Council AGREED the payment of £44.43 for NALC subscription. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

### b) Income

None.

### c) Transfer of Funds

The Council AGREED to transfer £300.00 from the Nottinghamshire Building Society account to the Lloyds TSB account to enable the Clerk's salary to be paid (at next month's meeting) before the end of the financial year. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

### d) Balance of Accounts

The account balances as at 16<sup>th</sup> February 2004 were:

	£
Lloyds Bank	73.49
Nottingham Building Society	1,519.50
	1,592.99

## 8 Planning

- i) Kushti-Tan, North Green, East Drayton; *Proposal*: Demolish existing storehouse/workshop AND erect new storehouse/workshop. The Clerk reported she had contacted Mr Palmer in the Planning Department. He advised that they were looking to refuse the application as the proposal is in a Conservation Area, in open land and outside the settlement envelope. He added that the proposal was due for consideration and the next planning policy meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> March, but he expected the applicant might withdraw beforehand. The Clerk had received a telephone call from Mrs Anita Martin, who lives opposite the building and she would be contacting DCllr Sutton to express her concerns and ask for advice.
- ii) DECISION NOTICE: Poplar Farm, North Green, East Drayton. Erect dwelling. The Council noted permission had been granted. To be filed.
- iii) DECISION NOTICE: Manor House Farm, East Drayton. Erect two storey extension and conservatory, demolish a small section of an outbuilding. The Council noted permission had been granted. To be filed.

## 9 Urgent Business

### a) Bassetlaw District Council - Parish Precept and Contributions 2004/05

Parish Councillors discussed the situation at length. Cllr Allen felt that the Parish Council was doing only the bare minimum for the village at present, due to the lack of funds. There had been no increase in the precept for several years and the Parish Council's reserves were not sufficient. Within five years it would not be solvent. He felt the precept needed to be raised to enable funds to be raised to help the community (church clock, churchyard maintenance and senior citizens, amounting to £450.). Cllr Allen PROPOSED a raise in the precept of £5 (Band D) and SECONDED by Cllr Goddard. All AGREED. Councillors read through the proposed application form and the following figures were RESOLVED for the budget:

Neighbourhood Watch	80.00
Senior Citizens	100.00
Church Clock Fund	250.00
Churchyard Maintenance	100.00
Insurance	200.00
NALC subscription	50.00
Room hire	75.00
Clerk's Salary	910.00
Clerk's expenses	140.00
	£ 1,905.00

Application form to be completed and faxed to Mr John Brooks, Head of Finance at Bassetlaw District Council. Prior to this, the Clerk to telephone Mr Brooks and inform him of the increase in the precept and clarification sought as to how the form should be completed to this effect. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

### b) Lytchgate

The Chairman asked for thoughts on how the remaining money could best be used. Cllr Goddard said that the Church clock face had dropped and it would cost around £300 to repair (if done within the day). He felt some of the money could be spent on this, being a parish clock. Cllr Jones queried this as he thought it was just plaster. Cllr Goddard to investigate further. Cllr Jones suggested a flagpole be erected in the churchyard and Cllr Allen suggested a village sign to be placed on the triangle in the centre of the village. The Chairman asked Cllrs Allen and Jones to look into the costings and report back.

### c) Nicholas Hawksmoor plaque

The Chairman to contact Mrs Taylor concerning the above and Nottinghamshire Rural Community Council (Mrs Carola Jones) to enquire as to whether a grant may be available to enable a moveable plaque or something to be framed and hung in the Church to commemorate Nicholas Hawksmoor.

### d) Village Noticeboard

Cllr Goddard reported that the noticeboard was letting in water. Mr Hardy agreed to have a look at it.

## 10 Date and time of next meeting

Tuesday, 16 March 2004 at 7.30 pm.

The Council AGREED to hold the Annual Parish Meeting on Tuesday, 20th April at 8pm (Parish Council meeting to commence at 7pm beforehand) and the Annual Parish Council Meeting on Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending and declared the meeting closed at 9.00 pm.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ 2004