

East Drayton Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held
at 7.30pm on Tuesday, 16th January 2007 in the Village Hall

Present:

Cllr D Allen (Chairman), Cllrs M Ogle, J Parker, J Goddard, H Shreeve, P Ogle and R Small. In attendance: S Pickard (Clerk). Members of the public: 3.

1 Apologies for Absence.

Apologies were received from DCllr K Isard and CCllr J Hemsall.

2 Minutes of meeting held on 19th December 2006

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

3 Matters Arising

a) Environmental health issue at Vine Farm

The Clerk read out a reply from Severn Trent Water stating they were of the opinion they had done more than would be expected to resolve an issue of this nature – they insisted the problems of water ingress into the cellar were from a source that is not from a Severn Trent Water system. They went on to say they were not prepared to carry out any further investigation work or correspondence unless new information came to light. Mrs Ogle had sent a personal letter in reply to Severn Trent. Subsequently the Parish Council had received a letter from the Consumer Council for Water stating they were not satisfied with the way Severn Trent had replied. All AGREED the matter should be pursued. Cllr Ogle should pursue the cellar problem as a personal concern, but it is the Parish Council's belief that the cause is further down the street as investigation has shown blockages to storm drains. The Chairman read out a draft letter to the Consumer Council for Water. This stated salient points including the fact that despite requests of Severn Trent, the results of a drain survey undertaken in Summer 2006, had not been divulged to either Mr and Mrs Ogle, or the Parish Council.

ACTION: S Pickard.

At this point Mr Wilson (members of the public), informed the meeting that the Parish Council could request a video copy of the survey with plan. It was AGREED to do this. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

b) Rampton Hospital Community Forum Meeting (held 7th December 2006)

Cllr Goddard gave a brief report as follows:

- New ladies wing about to open
- Next development phase will be to demolish old brick buildings
- Street lighting on the estate discussed

Cllr Goddard said the meeting was poorly attended once again (five people) and after discussion it was AGREED to write to the Hospital to suggest the meetings take place less frequently unless there is something specific to be discussed. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

4 Declarations of Interest. There were no declarations of Interest.

5 Correspondence

Nottinghamshire County Council:

- a) Travel & Transport Briefing, December 2006; In circulation folder.
- b) Planning & Property Briefing, January 2007; In circulation folder.

Bassetlaw District Council:

- d) Parish Councils Liaison Group meeting to be held 14th February at Retford Town Hall at 7.00 pm. In circulation folder.

NALC:

- e) Countywise, December 2006; In circulation folder.

6 Planning

- i) Location: Millbeck Meadows, South Beck Lane, East Drayton. *Proposal:* Erect two bedroom single storey dwelling. No objections to application, but comment be made to Bassetlaw District Council that this was outside the parish boundary and all previous applications outside

the village envelope have been turned down. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

ii) Decision Notice: Field Farm, Church Lane, East Drayton. Installation of 20m x 40m manage with fencing and sand/rubber surface. The Council noted permission had been granted.

iii) The Limes, East Drayton: Comments had been made to some Parish Councillors concerning the erection of a brick wall very close to the roadside at The Limes. At this point the Chairman opened the meeting as the owners of the property were present, if they would like to comment. They said the concern had taken them by surprise – they were only half replacing what was already there, there were safety issues because of the dyke and they wanted to secure the site. The Chairman advised that it might be beneficial if they contacted the planning department at Bassetlaw District Council for clarification before proceeding any further as technically the wall should be 1m away from the road.

iv) Laurel House Farm, East Drayton: The owners of the property had previously had planning permission refused to extend the house, but recent activity at the site led Parish Councillors to believe the situation may have changed. It was AGREED to contact Bassetlaw to enquire if the status has changed. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

7 General Business

i) The Clerk reported that CCllr Hemsall had suggested there may be funding available for the Cricket Club from the Community Incentive scheme. It was AGREED to write to CCllr Hemsall thanking him for his kind offer and suggesting that when Mr and Mrs Bingham are in a position to proceed, CCllr Hemsall's offer of support could be passed to them. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

8 Meeting adjourned for Public Discussion

Two members of the public requested sight of the plans for Millbeck Meadows, but the Chairman said a full copy of the proposal could be inspected at the Council Offices either in Retford or Worksop.

9 Finance

a) Income - None.

b) Accounts for Payment – The Council had approved payment of £100 to Fledgelings Pre-School at last month's meeting, but insufficient funds had been transferred to enable this to be done. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

c) Balance of Accounts

The account balances as at 19 th December 2006 were:	£
Nottingham BS	2,324.66
Lloyds TSB	73.96
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d) Transfer of Funds – It was AGREED to transfer £150 (ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY POUNDS) from the Nottingham Building Society to Lloyds Bank. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

10 Urgent Business

i) Parish Precept and Contributions from Bassetlaw District Council 2007/08

The Chairman advised that in readiness for this evening's meeting, a pre-budget meeting had been held on 9th January to prepare figures for the financial year 2007-2008. Bassetlaw had stated in their letter they were "unable to confirm the level of concurrent function..... due to severe budget pressures for 2007-08".

The Clerk has spoken to Mr John Brooks, Head of Financial Services at Bassetlaw District Council earlier in the day and he said a finance meeting was due to be held tomorrow. He would be recommending the concurrent grant remain the same as last year and he suggested the Parish Council complete the application accordingly, but to be aware of the uncertainty of the situation. Therefore East Drayton's concurrent grant for the year 2007-2008 should be included on the application as last year's figure, ie £248.

The proposals were discussed and the following figures were RESOLVED for the budget:

Play Facilities	100.00
Churchyard Maintenance	110.00
Bus Shelters	50.00
Public Clocks	100.00
Senior Citizens	80.00
Neighbourhood Watch Scheme	80.00
Hedge Cutting	50.00
NALC Subscription	60.00
Audit fee	50.00
Insurance	170.00
Village Hall – Running costs	265.00
Clerk's Salary	985.00
Clerical Expenses	<u>150.00</u>

£2,250.00

If the concurrent grant was confirmed at £248, this would mean a precept requirement of £2002. Application form to be completed accordingly. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

ii) Cllr Shreeve queried whether or not the Sunday postal collection was still in service and fellow Parish Councillors assured her this was still in operation.

11 Date and time of next meeting

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday, 20th February 2007 at 7.30 pm.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending and declared the meeting closed at 8.35 pm.

Signed _____ Date _____

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