East Drayton Parish Council

Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held at 7.30pm on Tuesday, 19th October 2010 in the Village Hall

Present:

Cllr N Stanley (Chairman), Cllrs A Stanley, R Small, H Mackintosh, I Stephens & M Goddard. In attendance: Clerk, S Pickard. Members of the public: 0.

- 1 Apologies for Absence received from Cllr P Ogle.
- 2 Minutes of meeting held on 21st September 2010 were approved and signed.

3 Matters Arising

a) Delivery of local services by Parish Council

The Chairman confirmed he had met with Mr Gordon Albery, District Highways Manager for Bassetlaw and they had walked around the village. The Chairman pointed out footpaths that were breaking up, but Mr Albery felt these were not unsafe. Some potholes had been repaired recently, but the tarmac had just been laid on the surface. Mr Albery took photographs of these and agreed to send in his team to repair them properly. The letter concerning delivery of local services had been aimed at persuading Parish Councils to take over some of the work that the County Council has done previously and pay them to do so. Mr Albery agreed with the Chairman that the visit was more of a "PR exercise". Grass cutting would be the main aspect in the village, but the County Council does not do this in East Drayton. If this was pursued by the Parish Council, three people would be required to attend an intensive Health & Safety training course before undertaking such work. The Chairman said as a result of the visit, an inspector would be sent to the village to look at footpaths and roads (grass verges would be cleared where they overlap footpaths and they would clear the moss and sweep). The Chairman pointed out that a team had been to the drain near Cllr Small's property four times without first contacting anyone to announce their impending arrival. A final decision on agreement of work would depend on the outcome of a strategic spending meeting scheduled for tomorrow evening. Cllr Stephens agreed to trim an overgrown bush at his property.

b) Gully emptying/cleansing policy

Dealt with in 3a).

c) Overhanging branches

Mr Kelsey agreed to attend to the overhanging branches at his property and Cllr Small agreed to attend to the others in due course.

d) Village newsletter

Cllr Mackintosh confirmed a newsletter will be circulated shortly by Mrs Sue Ogle and this will make mention of the Community Speed Watch and control of dogs. Unsure as to whether the Constable Charity will be included.

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

5 Correspondence

Bassetlaw District Council:

- a) Parish Councils Liaison Group Agenda (meeting held 13th October 2010); In circulation folder.
- b) Diversity in Bassetlaw, Single Equality Scheme (questionnaire included to be completed at next month's meeting). In circulation folder.

 General:
- c) NHS Bassetlaw Annual Report & Accounts 2009/10: In circulation folder.
- d) Mobile Rural Contact Point poster for village notice board; (Service withdrawn due to budget pressures):
- e) SLCC (Society of Local Council Clerks) Clerk membership. After discussion it was felt not necessary for the Clerk to join. NALC provided the Council with an excellent service and the Clerk had already joined the Clerk's network run by Bassetlaw District Council.

6 Planning

 DECISION NOTICE; Location: Whimpton Moor Ground, Southbeck Lane, East Drayton. New sports pavilion. The Council noted permission had been granted. To be filed.
 ACTION: S Pickard.

7 General Business

- i) Constable Charity The Charity owns 9 acres of land and receipts from the rent go towards the education of anyone in need of help in the village. No awards were made last year. This charity is supported by the Parish Council and in this respect Mr David Allen and Mr John Bingham were nominated by the Parish Council to serve on the Constable Charity board of trustees. All AGREED.
- 8 **Meeting adjourned for Public Discussion** No members of the public were present.
- 9 Finance
 - a) <u>Income</u> None.
 - b) Accounts for Payment None.
 - c) Balance of Accounts

The account balances as at 19th October 2010 were: £

Nottingham BS 1896.37

Lloyds TSB 167.47

2,063.84

d) Transfer of Funds – Not required.

10 **Urgent Business**

- i) NALC AGM, 17th November 2010 at 7.30 pm at Epperstone Village Hall. Mrs Muriel Ogle is now unable to attend and the Chairman agreed to attend in her place, along with Cllr Small and anyone else interested in joining them.
- ii) Planning Aid meeting scheduled for 21st October 2010; discussed, but it was felt not necessary to send a representative as the Chairman had attended a similar meeting previously.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.10 pm.

11 **Date and time of next meeting –** The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Tuesday, 16th November 2010 at 7.30 pm.

Signed	Date	

