East Drayton Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at 7.30pm on Monday, 16th March 2004 in the Village Hall

Present:

Cllr M Ogle, Chairman

Clirs 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, F Drake)

1 Apologies for Absence

None.

2 Minutes of meeting held 16th February 2004

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

DCIIr Sutton arrived at 7.35pm.

3 Matters Arising

a) Dog Fouling

The Clerk reported she had contacted the Environment Department (Mrs Pat Wilkinson) again to chase the two bins required at each end of the lane. Mrs Wilkinson said they would now receive priority attention and should be in place over the next week or two.

b) Manor House Farm, East Drayton

The Clerk reported she had received a letter from Mr Bob Dean at Bassetlaw District Council (and the return of the Chairman's photograph) concerning the felled tree and was advised that the situation was now under consideration by the Planning Department. The Parish Council would be kept informed.

c) Costings re suggestions for remaining Lytchgate funds

Cllr Jones advised that a Lytchgate Trail needed to be produced and also further planting around the Lytchgate before the project could be considered completed.

- i) The Church clock would now receive funding from Bassetlaw District Council and it was AGREED to take £100 from the remaining Lytchgate Fund to put towards clock reparations.
- ii) Flagpole. Cllr Jones reported Bassetlaw DC had no objections to a flagpole and he had obtained a quote from Messrs Kirk & Bills for £566 plus VAT to supply and mount a fibreglass 32ft pole. A second quote was being sought. DCllr Sutton commented that the quote sounded very cheap. A flag would then also be required.
- iii) Village sign. Cllr Allen reported that Headon village had a new metal, four panelled, painted sign which cost around £2,000. He therefore did not pursue the matter further. A cheaper alternative may be to ask Messrs Kirk & Bills to produce a simpler oak structure. It was AGREED Cllr Allen proceed to contact them for a quote.

d) Nicholas Hawksmoor

The Chairman advised that Mrs Taylor was happy to get something done to be mounted and then the Parish Council could give consideration to getting it framed.

4 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

5 Meeting adjourned for public discussion.

- i) Mr Drake commented that he thought a sign would be a better option of spending the surplus Lytchgate funds.
- ii) Mr Hardy reported he had checked the noticeboard for water leaks, but could not find a problem. The Chairman is to let Mr Hardy have the key to the Parish Council locked-side of the noticeboard to check also. Cllr Jones commented that still Parish Council business was being obstructed by non-PC notices.
- iii) Mr Hardy enquired as to whether the Parish Council would be informed if GM crops were ever to be grown in this area, as he believed property prices could drop by a third in such cases. It was felt most unlikely anyone would grow maize in this area.
- iv) Mr Hardy suggested a car boot sale be organised to help raise money for the Parish Council. Cllr Shreeve commented that this had been unsuccessful in the past, but the comment was worth noting for the future.

6 Correspondence

Nottinghamshire County Council:

- a) Travel and Transport Briefing, March 2004; In circulation folder.
- b) Planning and Property Briefing, March 2004; In circulation folder.

Bassetlaw District Council:

- c) Letter re tree at gate of Manor House Farm, East Drayton;
- d) Public Path Diversion Order (East Drayton footpath No 8), order confirmed; In circulation folder.
- e) Electoral Register (two removals); In circulation folder.
- f) Code of Conduct; Register of Interests; In circulation folder.

NALC:

General:

- g) Notts Healthcare, Rampton Hospital community Forum meeting on Monday, 22nd March in the Community Centre at Rampton Hospital (agenda enclosed); Chairman noted. In circulation folder.
- h) Society of Local Council Clerks, AGM, Thursday, 18th March 2004, Farnsfield Village Hall at 11.00am; In circulation folder.
- The Standards Board for England; local investigation and determination of misconduct allegations; In circulation folder.
- j) Clerks and Councils Direct, March 2004; In circulation folder.
- k) Mr Stephen Rose, offering contract mowing service; In circulation folder.
- I) RBS Auditing Solutions; In circulation folder.
- m) Newark & Notts Agricultural Society, County Show 8th and 9th May 2004, poster enclosed; Cllr Goddard to deal with poster for noticeboard.

Correspondence received after Agenda prepared:

- n) Bassetlaw District Council: Confirmation of Parish Precept and Contributions 2004/2005 of £1,921 payable 30th April 2004 £960 and 30th September £961. In circulation folder.
- o) NALC news information sheets; In circulation folder.

7 Finance

- a) Accounts for Payment
 - i) The Council AGREED the payment of £261.41for the Clerk's salary and expenses.
- b) Income

None.

c) Transfer of Funds

None.

d) Balance of Accounts

The account balances as at 16th March 2004 were:

	£
Lloyds Bank	329.06
Nottingham Building Society	<u>1,219.50</u>
	1.548.56

8 Planning

- i) Location: The Old Post Office, Top Street, East Drayton. *Proposal:* Demolish existing garage and store. The Parish Council had no objections. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- ii) Location: The Old Post Office, Top Street, East Drayton. *Proposal:* Demolish existing garage and erect single storey annex for residential use. The Parish Council objected to the proposal and comments to be submitted to Bassetlaw District Council to read: The plans show the proposed building stands back further than the to-be demolished garage. The Parish Council is concerned that this would result in secondary development. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- iii) Kushti-Tan, North Green, East Drayton. Cllr Allen advised that he attended the planning meeting re the proposal to demolish the existing storehouse/workshop and erect new storehouse/workshop. Cllr Allen spoke at the meeting and commented that although the Parish Council had no objections to the demolition of the storehouse and its replacement with a similar structure, the need for a chimney was questioned. Cllr Allen also advised that the property had a history of three unsuccessful planning applications for residential use going back to 1973. Two other individuals commented at the meeting, seeing no concern with the proposal. The recommendation made at the meeting was to refuse the proposal.
- iv) Manor Park, Darlton Road, East Drayton: The Chairman commented the plans were passed for change of use from offices, for retail shop and sandwich bar. At present the offices consist of a Fancy Dress Hire, and the shop and sandwich bar have a Financial Advisor and an Upholsterer in situ. It was noted that 250 trees and shrubs were supposed to have been planted as a screen and also the lights and car park were commented upon. The security lights had also posed a problem. It was AGREED to contact the Planning Department to ask if planning permission for change of use should have been sought. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

9 Urgent Business

a) Road repairs required to Laneham Road

Cllr Goddard reported large potholes and part of the road having dropped away at the edge of the village towards Laneham (on the straight before the bridge). Bolham Lane to be contacted.

ACTION: S Pickard.

10	Date	and	time	of	next	meeting
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Tuesday, 20th April 2004 at 7.00 pm. The Annual Parish Meeting to follow at 8pm.

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

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