East Drayton Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at 7.30pm on Tuesday, 21st April 2009 in the Village Hall

Present:

Cllr D Allen (Chairman), Cllrs M Ogle, H Shreeve, P Ogle, N Stanley, R Small, CCllr J Hempsall and Pc Bailey. In attendance: S Pickard (Clerk). Members of the public: 1.

- 1 Apologies for Absence received from Cllr J Parker and DCllrs K and S Isard.
- 2 Minutes of meeting held on 17th March 2009 were approved and signed.

3 Matters Arising

a) Drainage issues in the village

No further progress. No reply received from Mr Ian Davies re the emergency flood pack offered by Bassetlaw District Council and it was agreed to contact him again. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

b) Village Hall situation

To be discussed fully at a separate meeting following this meeting (minutes attached).

- c) <u>Storehouse/Workshop at Kushti-Tan, North Green, East Drayton</u>
 The Clerk reported a reply had been received advising the matter had been passed to Mr T Wells in the planning department. To be retained on next agenda.
- d) <u>Tithe Barn Cottage planning refusal to retain boundary wall</u>

 The Clerk reported a letter and email response had been received from Mr Ian Boothby advising the matter was ongoing between the developer, himself and the District Council's conservation officers to find an acceptable way forward. To be retained on next agenda.
- e) Back Lane update

The Clerk advised a letter had been received from Laura Summers at the County Council and she has agreed to respond on her return from annual leave on 28th April. CCllr Hempsall asked to be informed if this did not happen. **ACTION: S Pickard.** Pc Bailey was asked for his comments and he said that the situation was very difficult to enforce. However, he added that the new off-road Police team is having some success.

4 **Declarations of Interest** – None.

5 Correspondence

Nottinghamshire County Council:

a) Planning & Landscape Briefing April 2009. In circulation folder.

Bassetlaw District Council:

- b) Crash Course in Planning Training Event; 13th May 2009 (see Minutes 7). NALC:
- c) Promotion info on: The Power of Well Being. In circulation folder. General:
- d) Mobile Rural contact Point poster; To be placed on village notice board.
- e) Best Kept village competition; In circulation folder.

Correspondence received after Agenda sent out:

- f) Open space, sport and recreation study (to be held over until next month);
- g) Rampton Hospital invitation to visit new learning disability until on 16th July. Cllrs M Ogle and N Stanley to attend. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

6 Planning

- i) DECISION NOTICE: Location: North Beck, Low Street, East Drayton. Erect garage/workshop and greenhouse. The Council noted permission had been granted. To be filed. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- ii) DECISION NOTICE: Location: Ashlea Farm, Low Street, East Drayton. Demolish existing dwelling, farm buildings and structures. The Council noted listed building consent had been granted. To be filed. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- iii) DECISION NOTICE: Location: Ashlea Farm, Low Street, East Drayton. Erect three 4-bed houses, one 3-bed house, one 5-bed house and alter existing access. The Council noted permission had been granted. To be filed. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- iv) DECISION NOTICE: Location: Manor Farm Business Park, Darlton Road, East Drayton. Change of use of part of building from B1 to D2. The Council noted permission had been granted. To be filed. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

7 General Business

- a) <u>UMSO Central Networks</u> The Chairman advised he had received the first bill for electricity at the phone box amounting to £20.48. Confirmation required from E.ON this is an annual charge. **ACTION: S Pickard.** The Clerk advised she had received a K6 Phone Box information pack giving details for future maintenance and a poster to be displayed in the phone box announcing that BT no longer has ownership.
- b) South East Bassetlaw Forum meeting The Chairman and Cllr Stanley attended on Monday, 23rd March. Cllr Stanley gave a brief report: Five Parish Councils had been invited to attend to form a nucleus (East Drayton, Laneham, Normanton-on-Trent, Marnham and Tuxford, ie from the Trent Ward, and then neighbouring PCs to be invited to join once set up. It was surprising East Markham was not invited. Could be financial benefits from Bassetlaw, but for specific projects only and joint buying services (eg grass cutting). Tuxford are very keen. It was proposed Mr Steve Brown would act as Clerk and two representatives from each PC could be nominated to attend an open meeting with members of the public invited. The idea is to enable Parish Councils to carry "more weight" by working together. The Chairman asked for views. Discussion followed and ALL AGREED it doubtful that East Drayton would benefit. Mr Steven Brown to be advised accordingly. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- c) Community Forum meeting at Rampton Hospital Cllrs M Ogle and N Stanley attended this meeting on 16th April. The main points discussed were how much money had been spent and the plan to become a foundation hospital. Due to the nature of Rampton it can only become foundation-similar, but 11,000 members are required to be on the Trust. There are 5,000 staff (although some have declined the offer) and 4,500 members of the public have already been recruited. Cllr Stanley requested an information pack on the proposal, but this has not been forthcoming. The proposal, still in early stages would seem to involve a voting system, with an admin committee representing members of the public. The Chairman added that he had received a letter inviting him to join the Trust, although the information contained was not clear. Also a new training centre is to be built and two members of staff have won Oscars for their quality of mental health care.
- d) <u>Crash Course in Planning: 13th May 2009 at Workshop Town Hall</u>
 The Chairman referred to a similar course he had attended and commented on its usefulness when considering planning applications and in the light of recent decisions made by the planning department at Bassetlaw. Cllrs M Ogle, R Small and N Stanley AGREED to attend. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

e) Crime Report

Pc Bailey advised the last crime in the village occurred on 17th February and over the last 12 months there had been 10 offences. These consisted of 6 burglaries of which 3 were from houses and 3 from farm buildings/sheds, and 4 thefts. Pc Bailey observed that the village seems to be targeted several times in a month and then goes quiet. House burglaries are always treated as a Police priority and Pc Bailey reminded people to be beware of bogus officials. The Chairman asked if there had been any progress made in connection with the theft of the lead from the village Church. There had been an arrest made in Stoke-on-Trent but there could be no confirmation of a link to East Drayton. Pc Bailey added that the drop in price of scrap metal had now made this crime less attractive. The Chairman thanked Pc Bailey and for his making time to attend the meeting.

- 8 Meeting adjourned for public discussion No comments were made.
- 9 Finance
 - a) Income None.
 - b) Accounts for Payment
 - i) The Council APPROVED payment of £151.52 to Community Consultation Ltd for the annual insurance premium. **ACTION: S Pickard**
 - The Council APPROVED payment of £20.48 to EON for phone box electricity.
 ACTION: S Pickard.
 - c) Balance of Accounts

The account balances as at 21st April 2009 were: £

Nottingham BS 1,807.91

Lloyds TSB 111.04

1,918.95

- d) <u>Transfer of Funds</u> It was AGREED to transfer £150 (ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY POUNDS) from the Building Society to Lloyds TSB. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- e) Adoption of Accounts for the year ending 31st March 2008

 The Council inspected the accounts for 2008/2009 and Cllr Stanley PROPOSED the accounts be adopted and Cllr P Ogle SECONDED the proposal. All AGREED. These were then signed by the Chairman and the Responsible Financial Officer. The approved accounts are attached to these minutes and form an integral part of them.

10 Urgent Business

- i) Loud music: Cllr Stanley said a number of parishioners had complained about the high noise level from a particular house in the village on Sunday, 5th April. After discussion it was agreed to note the incident and pursue the matter should it occur again.
- ii) Cllr Small reported a further street light out on the Green. Bolham Lane to be contacted. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- 11 **Date and time of next meeting -** Tuesday, 19th May 2009 at 7.30 pm (Annual Parish Council meeting).

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and declared the meeting closed at 8.00 pm. Village Hall meeting and Annual Parish Council meeting to follow immediately afterwards.

Signed		Date	