

East Drayton Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held
at 7.00pm on Tuesday, 15th April 2003 in the Village Hall

Present:

Cllr M Ogle, Chairman

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

In attendance: Sue Pickard (Clerk). Members of the public: 2

1 Apologies for Absence

Pc Waters.

2 Minutes of meeting held 18th March 2003

The minutes were approved and signed as a true record.

3 Matters Arising

a) Ditch investigations

The Clerk reported she had contacted Mrs Jean Day concerning the newts. These are in her garden pond and as they do not like flowing water Mrs Day does not believe they will be a problem for the proposed drainage works. They have survived two 'diggings out' before. The Conservation people have been to inspect and she has heard nothing further from them. Cllr Allen added that he had heard traps were going to be set to catch the newts.

b) South Beck Lane

The Clerk advised she had received a letter from Nottinghamshire County Council's Mr Birt dated 27th March 2003 advising the pipe under the lane was due to be 'jetted' and cleaned within the next 2/3 weeks. It was confirmed that this had now taken place.

4 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

5 Meeting adjourned for public discussion.

It was pointed out that many of the road signs in and around the village are dirty. Also the 30mph sign and village sign on the Darlton road have been knocked down, most probably due to being badly sited. It was decided to contact traffic management to see if these two signs could be more sensibly located on the straight of the road and the signs in general are cleaned. **ACTION: S PICKARD.**

6 Correspondence

Nottinghamshire County Council:

- a) Letter re South Beck Lane. In circulation folder.
- b) Worksop Travelwise Centre; notice of closure on 28th March 2003. In circulation folder.
- c) Nottinghamshire Local Access Forum; applications being sought (passed to Chairman for circulation prior to this meeting). In circulation folder.

Bassetlaw District Council:

NALC:

- d) Countywise, March 2003. In circulation folder.
- e) Also, New Councillor training, Audit Briefings, Independent Memorial Inspection and National Association of Local Councils Conference (2nd-5th October 2003, Cardiff City Hall) booking forms. In circulation folder.

General:

- f) EMDA – Destination 2010 – The New Regional Economic Strategy, a summary. In circulation folder.
- g) Email, EMDA quarterly newsletter and icof newsletter. In circulation folder.
- h) Hacker Young receipt and VAT invoice (placed in finance folder).
- i) Defra – The ‘Quality’ Town and Parish Council Initiative. In circulation folder.
- j) Society Of Local Council Clerks – Review of Clerk’s Terms and Conditions, membership application form etc, In circulation folder.
- k) SMP Playgrounds flyer for product brochure. In circulation folder.

Correspondence received after agenda prepared:

- l) Bassetlaw District Council, Decision notice re Fernleigh, Church Lane, East Drayton (demolish existing bungalow, erect dwelling and alter existing access); In circulation folder.
- m) The Countryside Agency publication (re application of grants of up to £5,000 available from the Countryside Agency through its Vital Village programme, to support communities through the production of a Parish Plan); In circulation folder.
- n) Planning & Property Briefing, April 2003; In circulation folder.
- o) Travel & Transport Briefing, April 2003; In circulation folder.
- p) Countylink, April 2003; In circulation folder.
- q) Newark & Nottinghamshire Agricultural Society – promotion poster (to be placed on village notice board).
- r) England’s East Midlands, Spring 2003 issue 1; In circulation folder.
- s) Bassetlaw News newspapers (to be circulated around the village by Councillors)
- t) **Pc Waters’ Crime report:** Between 23/30 March an outbuilding at Laurel House Farm, Low Street, East Drayton was broken into and a generator stolen. Pc Waters asked everyone to be vigilant. He added had raised almost £4,400 for the NSPCC on his recent charity expedition and hoped to give a short slide presentation at the next Parish Council meeting.

7 Finance

- a) Accounts for Payment
None.
- b) Income
The Clerk advised Lloyds TSB interest for the month of 10p and 73p bank charge refund, and £44.35 interest on the Nottingham Building Society account for the year ended 31st March 2003.
- c) Transfer
None.
- d) Balance of Accounts
The account balances as at 15th April 2003 were:

	£
Lloyds Bank	101.45
Nottingham Building Society	<u>1,099.50</u>
	1,200.95

8 Planning

- a) Fernleigh, Church Lane, East Drayton. The Council noted that permission had been granted. However, the amended plans had not been resubmitted to the Parish Council for their consideration. It was AGREED Cllr Shreeve contact the Planning Department to inspect these at the Retford Office and report back to the Clerk.

9 Lytchgate

- i) Cllr Jones advised the lytchgate was on schedule for the end of May. Kirk & Bills are currently morticing the joints and will make contact when they start erecting it in

- their yard.
- ii) Cllr Allen advised he had an OS 1:5,000 plan of the village (showing all 95 properties) and had put together a comprehensive village survey for inclusion in the capsule. The Chairman thanked Cllr Allen for his work on the project. Various other suggestions for possible inclusion are: photo/details of an orchard planted up in 1993, Mrs Goddard's corn dolly, still awaiting Dunham school children's input, old photograph of Horbling c1900, Hawksmoor photograph, any photograph depicting past farm life, aerial photographs, coinage, newspapers, minutes of when it was first decided to have a new lytchgate, first day cover stamps and a CD. It was AGREED to have a deadline of Friday, 2nd May for anyone who had anything for the capsule, to meet in the village hall at 2.00 pm. (A list to be made of what has gone in for Parish Council records).
 - iii) Cllr Parker suggested ringing the Retford Times to let them know when the lytchgate would be in situ. The Chairman added that the Countryside Agency had asked for any publicity the project received is sent to them.
 - iv) The sandblasting of the finial has not yet been organised. Cllrs Small and Jones are looking into this.

10 Urgent Business

a) Notice board

Discussion followed concerning replacement of the present notice board. The spare metal-framed notice board was deemed too small and Cllr Jones suggested a lock be placed on one side of the village notice board as several flyers had been placed over Parish Council papers. Mr R Hardy suggested he make a new noticeboard with a lock on one side for Parish Council business and the other side for village use. This was AGREED and the Chairman thanked Mr Hardy for his kind offer.

11 Date and time of next meeting

Tuesday, 20th May 2003 at **7.30 pm** (Annual Meeting).

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending and declared the meeting closed at 7.35 pm.

Signed _____ Date _____ 2003