

# East Drayton Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held  
at 7.00pm on Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> April 2005 in the Village Hall

## Present:

Cllr D Allen (Chairman), Cllrs M Ogle, J Parker, H Shreeve, R Small, J Goddard, J Jones, DCllrs K Isard, M Jenkins and CCllr J Hemsall. In attendance: S Pickard (Clerk). Members of the public: 3

1 **Apologies for Absence.** There were no apologies received.

## 2 Minutes of meeting held 15<sup>th</sup> March 2005

The minutes of the above meeting were approved and signed as a true record. Cllr Goddard had queried the situation concerning the Modification Order to Byway No 22 and the Chairman reconfirmed the position taken by the Parish Council. A letter had been sent to Nottinghamshire County Council (Mr Tim Hart, Senior Definitive Map Officer) stating the reasons for objecting still stood, but not wanting to cause the holding of a public inquiry, had withdrawn the comments. It was AGREED that the Parish Council would have no objections if CCllr Hemsall and Cllr Goddard took on the case at a later date at County level.

## 3 Matters Arising

### a) Village Sign

The Chairman advised that planning permission had been granted. Discussion followed as to what should be depicted on the sign. Ideas included: cross keys for Parish Church, Cricket Club and tractor/plough. It was AGREED the Chairman put together some ideas and circulate these within the village and also to approach Mr Jim Simpson with a view to making a start on the oak. All AGREED the cost of the sign should be taken from the remaining Lytchgate fund.

### c) Building Better Communities – application for grant aid

The Chairman advised that the Parish Council had managed to secure a few extra street lights for the village. Due to the great response for requests for help with up-dating village halls the County Council had felt only able to help with carparking/access issues. The Heritage side of the County Council had expressed an interest in the village sign, but this could not be considered until 2006/07 and there would be no guarantee of a grant. CCllr Hemsall advised that several applications had been put forward for next financial year and said he believed it was a worthwhile project if it continued after the Election. If the Conservatives got in he agreed to pledge £1,000 towards the village hall renovations.

### d) Environmental health issue at Vine Farm

Cllr Ogle reported that she had been advised to call in an assessor for insurance purposes and then Severn Trent Water may pay more attention.

### e) Lychgate

The Chairman advised that in accordance with Mrs Jean Rider from the Countryside Agency a Lychgate Trail booklet had been compiled and was now on sale in the village priced £1. It was felt by the Lychgate Committee that the project was complete, but Mrs Rider believes they still owe the Lychgate fund more money. It was AGREED to contact Mrs Rider to ask for further information. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

### f) Rampton Community Forum Meeting

Cllr Goddard and Cllr Ogle attended the meeting held on Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2005 but advised there was nothing much new to report and it was poorly attended. The new road was now in and gas was going in to the Hospital only.

4 **Declarations of Interest** – The Chairman advised that three Declarations of Interest were to be declared in Agenda item Planning 6j) Location: Vine Farm, Low Street, East Drayton. *Proposal:* Conversion of Farmhouse, redundant agricultural buildings and new build to produce four new dwellings and garages. Cllr Ogle declared an interest being the applicant. The Chairman declared an interest because he is Mrs Ogle's immediate neighbour and Cllr Goddard declared an interest because his son is a tenant in some of the buildings. Therefore all three parish councillors will leave the room when the item is discussed and Cllr Small AGREED to take the Chair.

## 5 Correspondence

### Nottinghamshire County Council:

- a) Mr D Lightfoot re gritting; In circulation folder.
- b) Second round of Local Transport Plans: Consultation April 2005 (comments on questions raised at back of document by 6<sup>th</sup> May 2005); Discussion followed and it was felt as a rural area there was very little in the Transport Plan that would benefit East Drayton community. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- c) Nottinghamshire and Nottingham Joint Structure Plan, proposed modifications, April 2005 (any objections or other representations required by 27<sup>th</sup> May 2005) In circulation folder.
- d) Statement of Community Involvement – Key Issues Consultation (letter of thanks for completing questionnaire); In circulation folder.
- e) East Drayton Byway No 22, Modification Order 2005 – confirmation; In circulation folder.
- f) Travel & Transport Briefing, April 2005: In circulation folder.
- g) **Participate!** Arts projects and events in Nottinghamshire April/June 2005; In circulation folder.
- h) Countylink April 2005; In circulation folder.

### Bassetlaw District Council:

- i) Local Area Structure – Tuxford Area (meeting to discuss establishment of such a grouping Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> April 2005 at 7.00 pm in East Markham Village Hall – sent to Chairman previously and second letter, reminder; Chairman unable to attend, but it was felt that these areas were being covered by the newly reconvened Nottinghamshire Association for Local Councils (which East Drayton Parish Council supports). DCllr Jenkins reported that he and DCllr Isard attended the East Markham meeting. Laneham, Tuxford, Normanton and Dunham Parish Councils were represented and it was agreed the scheme was worth piloting, funded on a year-by-year basis. Its aims were to work together for the common good concerning such issues as the A1, health provision, Police Community Support Officers, speed camera purchase and where to find funds.
- j) Parish precept and contributions 2005/2006 - £1,983 granted. In circulation folder.
- k) Double Taxation (further letter requesting any comments); Letter sent stating no areas identified in East Drayton where this applies. In circulation folder.
- l) Draft Best Value Performance Plan 2004/2005 (any comments by 16<sup>th</sup> May 2005);
- m) E-mail from Steve Brown re point of contact for PC; Retained by Clerk.
- n) County Council Election, 5<sup>th</sup> May 2005; Candidates Summary; For noticeboard.
- o) Bus Service Information; In circulation folder.

### NALC:

- p) Northern Area Committee: Reminder re BDC PC Liaison Group meeting on Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> April 2005 at Retford Town Hall and Minutes from last NALC area committee meeting held 21.2.05 – sent to Chairman previously. Chairman unable to attend.
- q) Update on issues raised at above meeting from Cllr Hugh Burton, NALC; NALC meeting Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2005 at 7.30 pm Council Chambers, Retford Town Hall; Agenda enclosed; In circulation folder.
- r) Training Seminar 'Councillors Behaving Badly'; Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> May 2005 at Everton Village Hall 7.30 pm; In circulation folder.
- s) Trafalgar Week (21<sup>st</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> October, sponsored by NALC); In circulation folder.

### General:

- t) E-mail print out from Notts Police, Rural News; In circulation folder.
- u) NHS Newsletter March 2005; In circulation folder.
- v) Government Office for East Midlands: Publication of the Regional Spatial Strategy for the East Midlands (RSS8); (Response Form at back, comments by Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> July 2005); In circulation folder.
- w) HP Ideas for Local Government (HP computers brochure); In circulation folder.
- x) Notts Fire and Rescue Service Update Spring 2005; In circulation folder.
- y) Notts Police, Chief Superintendent R E Johnson – Police Community Support Officers – parish-funded); Item to be placed on Agenda for May meeting. In circulation folder.
- z) ChildLine (letter asking for support); In circulation folder.

- aa) Defra – Quality Parishes and Parish Planning; In circulation folder.
- bb) Hacker Young Audit papers (Audit Return by 30 June 2005) Retained by Clerk;
- cc) Best Kept Village Competition and Building Community Life Competition entry forms; It was AGREED to place this correspondence on the Annual Parish Meeting Agenda.
- dd) Wicksteed Leisure play areas brochure; In circulation folder.
- ee) Central Networks; Wayleave payment and Wayleave Consent and plan; The Chairman advised that wayleave payments are made concerning the underground cable to supply electricity to the village warning siren. A copy of the agreement and accompanying plan had been forwarded to the Parish Council from Central Networks for identification purposes. (See Agenda item Finance aii) Income).

## 6 Planning

- a) Location: The Old Croft, Top Street, East Drayton; *Proposal*: Erect detached double garage. No objections. **Action: S Pickard.**
- b) DECISION NOTICE: Land at corner of Church Lane and North Green, East Drayton. Erect oak signpost. Permission granted. To be filed.
- c) DECISION NOTICE: Tythe Barn, North Green, East Drayton. Demolish existing cottage and outbuilding. Permission granted. To be filed.
- d) DECISION NOTICE: Tythe Barn, North Green, East Drayton. Erect replacement dwelling and alter existing access. Permission granted. To be filed.
- e) DECISION NOTICE: Walnut Lodge, Church Lane, East Drayton. Erect single storey extension. Permission granted. To be filed.
- f) DECISION NOTICE: Bramble Lodge, Top Street, East Drayton. Erect conservatory. Permission granted. To be filed.
- g) Location: Poplar Farm, North Green, East Drayton. *Proposal*: Vary condition 2 of PA 15/03/9 to construct rooms in roof and gable windows. No objections, but reservations about windows in the roof space. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- h) Location: South View Farm, Low Street, East Drayton. *Proposal*: Demolish part of conservatory and covered walkway to rear of dwelling. No objections. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- i) Location: South View Farm, Low Street, East Drayton. *Proposal*: Erect two storey rear extension to create new sun room and bedroom over. No objections. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

**Parish Councillors M Ogle, D Allen and J Goddard signed the Declaration of Interest book and withdrew from the meeting. DCllr K Isard also left the room.**

- j) Location: Vine Farm, Low Street, East Drayton. *Proposal*: Conversion of Farmhouse, redundant agricultural buildings and new build to produce four new dwellings and garages. Discussion followed and Parish Councillors had no objections to Units 1 and 2, but objected to Units 3 and 4 as they are backfilling, which is contrary to the village planning policy. **Action: S Pickard.**

**DCllr Isard and Parish Councillors M Ogle, D Allen and J Goddard returned to the meeting.**

## 7 General Business No general business.

## 8 Meeting adjourned for public discussion.

Mr Drake commented that he would reinforce the decision taken concerning the Modification Order to Byway 22 on Back Lane and the Chairman thanked him for his contribution.

## Finance

- a) Income
  - i) The Council noted VAT repayment of £24.20 by BACS to the Lloyds TSB.
  - ii) The Council noted wayleave payments of £34.50 made for the year 2000 (not cashed by Clerk at the time) and 2005 (£17.50 each). **ACTION: S PICKARD.**
- b) Accounts for Payment –
  - i) Allianz Cornhill Insurance £262.24. It was AGREED to place the matter on next month's Agenda to enable further discussion. (Renewal due 1<sup>st</sup> June 2005).

c) Balance of Accounts

The account balances as at 26 <sup>th</sup> April 2005 were:	£
Lloyds Bank	122.21
Nottingham BS	<u>1,358.00</u>
	1,480.21

d) Transfer of Funds – None required.

e) Adoption of Accounts for Year Ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2005

The Council inspected the accounts for 2004/2005 and Cllr Small PROPOSED the accounts be adopted and Cllr 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. It was AGREED to ask Mr Bert Neate if he would audit the accounts again, or an approach be made to Mr Malcolm Goodman. **ACTION: H Shreeve.**

## 9 Urgent Business

- i) Cllr Ogle queried whether or not anything further had been heard regarding the replacement tree at the entrance to Manor House Farm. It was AGREED to contact Mr Ian Boothby at Bassetlaw District Council to request a mature tree be planted in place of the one felled over a year ago. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- ii) Cllr Jones reported all three waste bins in the village required emptying. It was AGREED to contact Environmental Health. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- iii) Cllr Jones expressed concern regarding a speeding concrete lorry that frequently came through the village. This could not be pursued until the name of firm had been noted.
- iv) Cllr Shreeve advised that the street light outside No 7 Church Lane was still out. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

## 10 Date and time of next meeting

Next month's meeting, the Annual Parish Council meeting, will take place on Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> May 2005 at 7.30 pm.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending and declared the meeting closed at 8.20 pm.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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