

East Drayton Parish Council

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council held
at 7.30pm on Tuesday, 19th May 2015
in East Drayton Village Hall

Present:

Cllr N Stanley, Chairman

Cllrs A Stanley, M Goddard, H Mackintosh, I Stephens and Cllr R Small.

In attendance: CCllr J Ogle and the Clerk

Members of the public: 1

1. **Apologies for absence** were received from Cllr D Jopling.

The Clerk took the Chair and asked for nominations as follows:

2. **Election of Officers:**

a) **Chairman**

It was PROPOSED by Cllr Stephens and SECONDED by Cllr Goddard that **Cllr Stanley** be re-elected Chairman. ALL AGREED. Cllr Stanley accepted.

b) **Vice-Chairman**

It was PROPOSED by Cllr N Stanley and SECONDED by Cllr R Small that **Cllr Stephens** be re-elected Vice-Chairman. ALL AGREED. Cllr Stephens accepted.

The book of Declaration of Office was duly completed and signed, and Cllr Stanley took the Chair.

The Chairman invited CCllr John Ogle to give a report.

CCllr Ogle said he was here to help and if anyone felt there was a matter not being dealt with satisfactorily, then he would give his support. The most efficient way of doing this was to take a photograph, pinpoint the area using Google maps and email the information to him to help with accuracy in identification.

CCllr Ogle said he and Robert Jenrick MP had a meeting with Police Commissioner Paddy Tipping last March, along with the Police Inspector from Retford. Policing and response times were discussed. It had been agreed to return Pc Bailey to this area, but they have widened his beat now to include another district council ward; North Leverton, Bole and Wheatley. A request was also made to retain the PCSOs. Recent response times have varied from several hours for an incident in Fledborough to a GBH incident in Askham with a response time of just over five minutes.

The Chairman added he had received an email asking for local opinion on the retention of the PCSOs; if the preference was for the Police to retain them, they may re-consider.

CCllr Ogle asked for any incidents and response times to be reported to him, which would enable him to collate information to help the cause.

The Chairman requested support from CCllr Ogle regarding a blocked drain on Long Lane involving a footpath sign and fire hydrant; this had been reported numerous times to Johnny Davis at the Highways department but had still not been attended to. The Chairman AGREED to forward a photograph and map to CCllr Ogle, who will investigate the matter. **ACTION: Chairman.**

At this point CCllr Ogle left the meeting.

3. **Minutes of meeting held on 21st April 2015** – were approved and signed.

4. **Matters Arising**

- i) Footpath to the side of St Peter's Church – The Chairman reported he had contacted Laura Summers, Rights of Way Officer at Notts CC again to regarding this tidying work.
- ii) Blocked village drains – previously discussed above.
- iii) BKVC plaque in the village hall – a sign writer has not yet been found to update the plaque. To be retained on next month's Agenda.

5. **Declarations by Councillors of any disclosable pecuniary interest(s) in any agenda item** – no declarations were made.

6. **Planning**

- i) Location: Land at The Laurels, Low Street, East Drayton. Proposal: Erect single storey detached dwelling. Application No: 15/00447/OUT. The Council had no objections. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

7. **Correspondence**

Nottinghamshire County Council:

- a) RCAN – the Great War Community Commemoration Fund. The fund helps to support local groups bring the history of the 1914-18 War to life and help people understand how it impacted on their community. Application form – www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/trenttotrenches In circulation folder.

Bassetlaw District Council:

- b) Bassetlaw Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) – Distribution of funds to town and parish councils. In circulation folder.
- c) Advice for newly elected Councillors. In circulation folder.

8. **General Business**

- i) Road/footpaths - The Chairman advised that the footpaths on Top Street were being renewed and yet the area at the crossroads in the centre of the village is all cracking up and not included in the repair work. He had remonstrated with the council concerning this and they have now agreed to undertake a major assessment to see if the work can be undertaken using the 2016 budget.
- ii) Planters (purchased from BKVC prize money) – now installed and kindly planted up by Mrs Jean Stone. A few more bedding plants are required to complete the project. Cllr Stephens supplied eight bags of compost.
- iii) Traffic calming – The Chairman advised that money from EDF energy has now been transferred for the purchase of one interactive speed sign. However, four smaller, less intrusive signs, to be sited on all four roads in the village (as installed on Randall Way, Retford) could be purchased for the price of one large one. A further complication is that the petition signed in the village for traffic calming was to support the request for traffic signs as headed up with Mr Ian Parker and this appears not to have linked in with this. CCllr Ogle has agreed to investigate this matter on behalf of the Parish Council.

9. **Meeting adjourned for Public Discussion** – no comments were made.

10. **Finance**

- a) Income – None.
- b) Accounts for Payment
 - i) The Council APPROVED payment of £97.60 to Mrs Jean Stone for plants purchased for the new village planters. **ACTION: S Pickard**
 - ii) The Council APPROVED payment of £13.86 to the Chairman for petrol purchased for the village mower. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- c) Balance of Accounts

The account balances as at 19 th May 2015 were:	£
TSB	2,864.52
Nottingham BS	<u>1,855.99</u>
	4,720.51
- d) Transfer of Funds – not required
- e) Completion and Signature of Annual Governance Statement - Section 2 of the Annual Return for the year ending March 31st 2015 was completed by the Council members and signed by the Chairman in preparation for the internal audit, by Mrs Jose Ellis. **ACTION: S Pickard**

11. **Urgent Business**

- i) Register of members' interests – Parish Councillors are required to complete and sign the declarations. To be forwarded to Ros Theakestone, Proper Officer at Bassetlaw District Council for countersigning and publishing on the website (BDC and East Drayton). **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- ii) **Representative required from Parish Council for Village Hall Committee** – discussion followed. To be agreed at the next meeting.

12. **Date and time of next meeting** – The next meeting of the Parish Council will take on **Tuesday, 21st July 2015 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

Cllr Neil Stanley, Chairman, East Drayton Parish Council

Dated