

LITTLE EATON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 22 January 2014 IN THE VILLAGE HALL, VICARAGE LANE, LITTLE EATON.

PRESENT: John Easter (Chairman), Brenda Shore, Fiona Williamson, Tim Phillipson, John Crane, Brian Adams, Alan Machell, John Dallison, Cllr Alan Summerfield (EBC), Cllr Abey Stevenson (EBC), and Cllr Carol Hart (DCC)

Doreen Roach (Retiring Clerk)
Laura Storey (New Clerk)

AGENDA PART I: NON-EXEMPT INFORMATION:

01.14.01: Apologies for Absence: None

01.14.02: Exempt Items: Nothing

01.14.03: Declarations of Members' Interests: Nothing

01.14.04: Public Speaking:- Cllr Williamson sat in the public area to report on a number of incidents which had been noticed by residents which included 1) A lamp near the tennis courts which has been out of order for a number of months, Cllr Easter agreed to chase the contractor up, but stated that conditions were not good for getting heavy equipment on the very wet ground. If the contractor cannot complete this work in the near future then Cllr Machell agreed to contact DCC. 2) Duffield Road access to the Park is overgrown and the tarmac is breaking up, it was agreed that the Park sub-committee investigate the area.

Reports from outside body Representatives:

Cllr. Hart: Reported she had investigated the recent decommissioned lighting columns on the B6179 by Derbyshire County Council. This was part of DCC Transport Plan covering 2011 - 2026 which was made public in 2011. Cllr Hart also had Police Data available stating that the area was not considered an accident hot spot.

DCC were holding discussions relating to the mobile library services being cut in Rural Areas. Cllr Easter agreed to inform the OAP Committee to try and get support to keep the service operating.

Cllr. Summerfield: Nothing to report

Cllr. Stevenson: Nothing to report

01.14.05: Variation of order of Business: None

01.14.06: To Approve Non-exempt Minutes of Meeting of 11 December 2013. It was **resolved** that the Chairman sign off the minutes as a true record.

01.14.06a Matters arising from the minutes: There were no matters arising other than those that are covered in the relevant items on the agenda.

01.14.07: To receive minutes of Village Hall Sub-Committee - The minutes of 20 November 2014 had been previously circulated.

01.14.08:- Chairman's Report: Cllr Easter welcomed Mrs Laura Storey who takes over as Clerk on 1st February, and thanked the current Clerk for her work over the past 6 years.

An e-mail had been received from an agency relating to Affordable Housing within the Village. The Parish Council met just over a year ago making positive proposals with them, however it was agreed that further meetings should be arranged, Clerk to arrange.. The vacancy for a Parish Councillor will be advertised on the notice board.

01.14.09a: Correspondence Check list and Clerk's Report: The Clerk covered details within the distributed check list.

b: Distribution Pack including DALC: The pack was given for distribution

c: Licensing Matters: Nothing to report

01.14.10: DALC Circulars: Circulated with pack

01.14.11a: Accounts for Payment: It was unanimously **resolved** that the accounts be paid.

Accounts for Payment:		Meeting Date:	22.01.14
Chq. No:	Detail:		£
2527	J Easter Park keeper Petty Csh		50.00
2528	D M Roach Clerk salary/exp's - Jan '14 Other Expenses less Tax	514.15 90.25 -	509.40 - -
2529	P Morey - Jan'12 Park Keeper	24 hrs @ 6.50ph	156.00
2530	Derbyshire County Council School Clock M'tence		168.00
2531	B Shore Kiosk Art Prizes		50.00
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2532	T Phillipson Millenium Way Seeds	-	52.24
2533	Post Office (HMRC Tax	-	95.00
2534	Tom Parr 1&1 Internet.Ltd	-	11.99
2535	Peak Professional drystone walling Park Wall Repairs	-	160.00
2536	Greg Long Clear Storm damage C yard/Footpaths	-	840.00
		-	<u>2,092.63</u>

01.14.11b: Credits received – None

01.14.12a: Planning Matters: Cllr Summerfield

ERE/1213/0047 – 95 Eaton Bank, DE56 4BH – First Floor extension and external staircase, and insertion of 2nd roof windows.

No Objections

ERE/1213/0053 - Park Farm, Vicarage Lane, DE21 5EA - Two Storey extension

No objections, comments reported to EBC Planning. The Parish Council and residents object to the current footpath and right of way being changed.

ERE/0114/0023 - Cherry Heights, Morley Lane. DE21 5AH - Two Storey side extension, porch, new building over existing swimming pool and front elevation changes.

No objections, comments to EBC. This plan be issued in a larger layout than that circulated.

01.14.12b: Receive Planning Decisions:- Four previous applications had been approved and one rejected.

01.14.13: Items for information only:- Reports of Sub-Committees:

Allotments: Nothing reported

Better Kept Villages - Cllr Shore reported that Little Eaton in Bloom was arranging a meeting with East Midlands in Bloom.

Cllr Easter reported that he had spoken to the contractor who gave an original quote for repairs at Croft Corner, however it was felt that the quote was still too much, Cllr Easter obtained a quote from another contractor with whom Cllr Williamson agreed to meet, discuss and report back before the next meeting.

Churchyard - Cllr Adams agreed to contact EBC relating to the claim for rebuilding the Churchyard Wall.

Emergency Planning - Cllr Williamson reported that a resident had helped to put the grit bin in place and cut back an overgrown area of vegetation, the clerk was asked to send a letter of thanks.

The level crossing gates have now been removed following removal of the rail tracks, Greenway are still waiting for legalities with Network Rail to be completed before they can make improvements.

Finance - Cllr Adams reported that expenditure over the last nine months was around the same as last year with 54% of the budget being spent to date.

Footpaths / Greenway - The flooding issues on Windy Lane are still awaiting DCC when finances allow. Since the original report the tarmac surface area at the bottom of the footpath has significantly deteriorated, breaking up and leaving an extremely dangerous surface. Cllr Williamson to report to DCC (ESPRO) on HS&E grounds

Highways / Street Lighting - Cllr Machell reported he was still awaiting a reply from DCC with regard to the lamp near the Book Exchange.

The road near Jack'O Darley Bridge / Alfreton road has recently been cleared of leaves and dead grass by DCC.

Park - Cllr Easter reported the Park keeper is continuing to treat the fence surrounding the Village Hall Car Park.

Work has been carried out to repair some of the Park Wall more repairs are needed to keep the wall in good order, It was **resolved** to set aside a further £500 for wall maintenance.

Safer Neighbourhoods - Cllr Williamson reported she had send a message to the Police relating to the small amount of policing within the village, a reply has been received that the message is to be escalated, more information should be available at the next meeting. It was agreed that the regular updates being received from the contractors working on the A38 changes should be put on the notice board and the web site.

Two drivers were issued with speeding notices by the poilice at the last speed watch.

Village Hall Management Committee - Cllr Crane reported there had been a flood in the lower hall due to a tap being left on and no overflow facility in the sink. Bookings are now at full capacity.

Web Site - Cllr Dallison showed a couple of pages of the proposed updates for the Parish Council Website, this is still an ongoing project in conjunction with the web master

Youth Facilities - Cllr Williamson passed the clerk a donation of £100 cash received from the Youth Café towards the proposed Multi Use Gaol Area (MUGA) which is an ongoing project, Clerk to write a letter of thanks.

01.14.14: WW1 Commemorations - Cllr Easter reported that he is getting information together for a display in the Art Box in July / August.

01.14.15: Notice Boards: Cllr Easter reported that a quote of £520 had been received for 3 new notice boards . it was **resolved** to place new notice boards in the School Yard, the Bridge Inn and on the back of Kiosk 2 (Art Box). Cllr Easter to organise

01.14.16: News Letter: Cllrs Shore and Dallison, along with Glenda Harrison, to look into re-vamping the newsletter on how to get the best use of the space.

01.14.17: Precept: Cllr Williamson proposed that the residents should be informed what is happening, it was thought that the newsletter and webi site could be used for this. The Clerk to ask EBC for an extension to delay sending details of the Precept Application until The Finance Meeting has been held and agreed by the Parish Council, it was agreed that this can be done by e-mail.
Cllr Adams proposed the council adopt the same figure as last year with a variation of up to 3%.

01.14.18: Councillor Vacancy: A notice to be put on boards to advertise vacancy by Clerk and Chairman.

01.14.19 HR Committee: Cllr Williamson proposed and it was **resolved** that a HR Sub- Committee be set up to put new policies in place and deal with issues surrounding the retiring and new clerks. Cllr's Williamson, Dallison and Summerfield agreed to serve on this committee.
It was proposed and **resolved** that Little Eaton Parish Council become a member of the Pension Scheme run by Derbyshire County Council for its employees.

01.14.20: Items for next Agenda: Change of banking details and address for new Clerk

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday 26 February 2014 at 7:30pm.

There being no other business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 10.20 pm

Signed

Date