

**MINUTES OF LITTLE EATON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**HELD ON WEDNESDAY 22.11.17 THE VILLAGE HALL, VICARGE LANE, LITTLE EATON**

**PRESENT:** Councillors A Summerfield (Chairman), B Adams, J Easter, A Machell, P Mulvey, J Nicholson, F Williamson, Parish Clerk, 2 members of the public, Councillor C Hart (DCC)

**17/270 APOLOGIES**

Councillor S Tranter, Councillor A Stevenson (EBC)

**17/271 TO DETERMINE WHICH ITEMS, IF ANY, FROM PART 1 OF THE AGENDA SHOULD BE TAKEN WITH THE PUBLIC EXCLUDED**

None

**17/272 DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

None

**17/273 PUBLIC SPEAKING**

A parishioner asked for an update on the Barley Close footpath.

Councillor Hart reported that there has been a spate of burglaries in West Hallam and Mapperley. There has also been one in Little Eaton. DCC have invested a lot of money on the roads. Following the DCC public consultation on spending priorities these came out as roads and care.

Report received from PC Gregory.

The street meet went very well and we were also joined by the PCC. Due to it being a nice afternoon weather wise we had numerous residents come and speak to us mostly just to say hello. We did have a complaint about children gathering in the derelict houses which sits back off Alfreton Road opposite the chip shop/School.( I had not heard anything about this before then ). Over the past week I conducted some evening patrols and didn't come across any groups. I have also spoken to the property joined to the derelict houses which is occupied and they stated that they have not had any children in the houses as they are boarded up.

Other matters in the village over the past month have been

- Burglary Croft lane 23/10/17
- Theft of push bike 26/10/17
- Burglary Alfreton Road 09/11/17

**17/274 VARIATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS**

None

**17/275 FOOTPATH ADJ TO 37 BARLEY CLOSE...RESIDENTS FEEDBACK FOLLOWING LEAFLET DROP**

DCC had confirmed that they would be unable to adopt the footpath for a number of reasons. It is in private ownership of which some is unknown. It was therefore resolved that the Parish Council are not able to do anything in an official capacity and suggested residents come up with a solution between themselves.

**17/276 MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 18.10.17**

**RESOLVE** That the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 18.10.17 were approved and signed by the Chairman. All Councillors voted in favour except Councillor Williamson.

**17/277 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Councillor Summerfield invited everyone to refreshments after the meeting and gave an update on the Police street meet. It was agreed that the Morley Lane ivy issue go on the January agenda.

**17/278 CROFT CORNER LIGHTING**

Councillor Machell and Easter offered to investigate.

**17/279 NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION**

D Mulvey had offered to take over from J Dallison with the distribution. It was agreed to send a letter of thanks.

**17/280 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN: UPDATE**

Councillor Summerfield had met with C Pegg and gave a summary of events to date. The main reason for the delay was that the interim SG were struggling with commitment from all demographics of the residents. An article had gone in the winter newsletter asking for volunteers. C Pegg was confident that a full list of steering group members would be available by 11 December. Councillors agreed to review and approve the steering group by email within 2 weeks of receiving the details. It was confirmed that minutes of SG meetings would be sent to the PC.

**17/281 NOTICEBOARD CROFT CORNER**

The noticeboard was able to be repaired. Tree sap had been dripping onto it.

**17/282 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS CROFT CORNER**

The Christmas lights will be checked before the switch on by Councillor Machell.

### 17/283 REVIEW OF POLICIES & PROCEDURES

The following policies and procedures were approved following review:-

Staff appraisal  
Code of Conduct  
Vexatious policy  
Complaints procedure  
Declaration of acceptance of office  
Financial internal controls  
Press and media policy

### 17/284 CLERKS REPORT

- Resignation of John Dallison. Notice of vacancy displayed 21.11.17.
- The vicar, Revd. David Barnsley confirmed that he was happy for the Trust to be closed; that makes sense, given the value of the Trust. The OAP Hall is an obvious candidate to receive the money (as the Senior Citizens Welfare). It was resolved to close the John Tempest and Richard Parker/Ann Parry Charities with immediate effect with full agreement of the Trustees. The CCLA forms were completed and signed by L Storey and J Easter.

### 17/285 CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION

Concerns from residents regarding the state of the cycle path from the Toll bar, Duffield Road Little Eaton to Haslams Lane junction had been raised. It was agreed to mention these on the Derbyshire cycling plan consultation.

It was agreed to send a letter to Trent Barton with concerns about the bus stops at Barley Close and Church Lane. It was agreed to send a thank you letter to the WI for the knitted poppies display.

### 17/286 PLANNING

#### Applications

There were no objections to the following application:-

- ERE/1017/0033 20 Eaton Bank Extension of Existing raised path to create a new front terrace, new patio doors to front elevation

#### Approved

- ERE/0917/0033 97 Eaton Bank Replacing an existing side conservatory with a double storey, side extension (resubmission in amended form of application ERE/0217/0016)
- ERE/0917/0025 7 Camp Wood Close Proposed front, side and rear extensions to dwelling
- ERE/0917/0014 16 Station Road Two storey side extension
- ERE/0917/0017 6 Buxton Drive Garage conversion to side elevation incorporating new flat roof
- ERE/0817/0071 Unit 3a, Old Hall Mill Business Park, Unit 3a, Old Hall Mill Business Park
- ERE/0817/0078 61 Barley Close Two storey extension to side and rear. Single storey extension to front.
- ERE/0817/0083 75 Barley Close Erection of a single storey rear extension to form a family/dining space.
- ERE/0817/0072 The Hub, Duffield Road Extension to front and side, addition of pitched roof, addition of cladding to existing building

### 17/287 FINANCE

#### Payments

**RESOLVE:** That the Accounts listed below be accepted for payment.

	<b>Payee</b>	<b>Expenditure</b>	<b>£</b>
Bank payment	L Storey	Salary/Expenses	556.22
Bank payment	HMRC	PAYE	38.00
Bank payment	P Morey	Park keeper	192.00
Bank payment	B Toon	Toilet door closers	252.00
Bank payment	M Toms	Grounds maintenance	518.74
Bank payment	S Brown	Grounds maintenance	720.00
Bank payment	Waterplus	Water bill	842.03
Bank payment	P Mulvey	Petty cash	50.00
Bank payment	Woodgrow Horticulture	Weed spraying	258.00
Bank payment	P Fox landscaping	Churchyard	2052.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>5478.99</b>

Monthly accounts circulated

#### Receipts

LE Bowls Club Rent £335

LE Tennis Club Rent £360

## **17/288 WORKING GROUP REPORTS**

(Due Nov/Feb/May/Aug)

### **LEPC Footpaths Report**

- **Footpath adjacent to 37 Crabtree Hill – Barley Close**

This footpath has been the subject of discussion and action. At the time of writing DCC have indicated that they will not be adopting the footpath due to third party consents/the need for extensive works to upgrade to standard/and the lack of budget for such works. This path remains the subject of PCC discussion.

- **Footpath 17 [Outrams Wharf to Ford Lane section].**

Messrs Freeberne, landowners to the southern margin of the path, recently applied to reroute this path to the edge of their landholding. In view of the path often being blocked by recycling spoil, and the inconsistency of the land use with general public access, we the PC had no objections to this proposal. It is noted that the works have already been done and there is now a new wire fence to the western margin of Freebernes reclamation site, and a clear gravelled path.

- **Footpath 14 [Park Farm to Alfreton Rd]**

The lower stile at the junction of the tarmac drive to Alfreton road was reported to be in a dangerous condition. In fact the upper section was dilapidated. On inspection the upper section had completely fallen apart, and public access was therefore satisfactory [except for 2x hinges sticking out]. It was not however stock proof. This has been reported to the landowner Mr Camp.

### **Youth Cafe**

I am pleased to report the Youth Cafe` is still thriving with between 20 to 30 students attending each session. There is approximately 15/20 meals being served every week at the Youth Cafe` which is a great bonus in helping to fund it.

Emma Smith and her team of 11 new volunteers are really enjoying the interface with the youngsters and the enjoyment the youngsters have makes it all seem worthwhile.

Looking to the future all the helpers hope to get DBS checked which will enable them to organise outside trips which I am sure will be a big hit with the youngsters.

On the agenda is the purchase of new board games, new x-box games and also replenishment of all the craft items which is a big hit with the girls.

At Christmas they are organising a disco which should be a big hit with all concerned.

The future of the Youth Cafe` still looks very healthy and long may it continue.

### **Parks Working Group Report**

#### **Park Steps**

An order has been placed to refurbish the steps, currently pursuing A B Camp Ltd for commencement date

#### **Pavilion Repairs**

##### Corridor and Dressing Room Floor

- 3 quotations for new floor & dressing room refurbishment have now been received
- The quotes are being evaluated for presentation to the PC

#### **Norman Grundy Bench on St Peters Park**

The bench has now been installed

#### **Diesel Metal Storage Cabinet**

H&S report highlighted the need for a cabinet, Simon Downing has located a suitable cabinet which will be installed in the Park Keeper's store room.

#### **Big On Bikes Hire Agreement**

The Hire Agreement has been signed and issued

#### **Wild Life Meadow**

The grass has been cut and removed, as well as lowering the tree canopy and overhang.

#### **Park Spraying Maintenance**

- The park perimeter has been sprayed to reduce grass and weed growth
- The ivy on Duffield Rd wall has been cut back as it was causing obstruction on pavement

#### **Children's Play Area**

The roundabout has been removed for repair

## Hire Agreements

Organisation	Start date	Expiry Date	Review Date	Signed	Comments
Carnival Committee	Apr-15	Mar-18	Jan-18	Y	
LE Diamonds FC	Sep-15	Aug-18	Jun-18	Y	
Senior Football Club	Sep-15	Aug-18	Jun-18	Y	
Stainsby Hall CC	Oct-15	Sep-18	Jun-18	Y	Annual Review to establish number of games
Bowls Club	Apr-15	Mar-25	Jan-25	Y	
Tennis Club	Aug-15	Jul-25	Mar-25	Y	

## CONTRACTS

Contract	Start date	Expiry Date	Review Date	
Park Keeper	Aug-17	Jul-19	Pay Review Jul-18	
Church Yard Maintenance	Apr-17	Apr-19	Jan-19	
Park Bank	Apr-17	Apr - 19	Jan - 19	

This is the first Parish Council Liaison report and aims to inform and identify pertinent issues involving both the Parish Council (PC) and the Carnival Committee (CC). It is hoped that by formalising these arrangements, issues and concerns will be captured and addressed so ensuring Carnival continues to be a flagship for the village as well as an annual event hugely enjoyed by residents.

The Carnival Committee met on 3.10.17 to arrange the forthcoming AGM on 30.1.18 and set in motion preparations for the forthcoming Carnival in 2018. As part of this preparation the debrief feedback from this years events were considered and if relevant to the Parish Council are included in this report. Issues for PC consideration and / or action are marked \*

**Police** The letter from Chief Inspector Clark clarifying the role of the Police at community events has been considered and necessary actions will be taken by the Chief Steward. PC Gregory advised  
- stalls should be informed that items like silly string and snap jacks are not encouraged and stalls selling them will be asked to stop  
- a proposal to have a Police stall, supported by Cadets and Police Support Volunteers, was welcomed and will be progressed for 2018

A new problem was encountered for the first time with gangs crashing events like carnival. Over 60 teenagers, thought to be from Allestree and Chaddesden, attended Carnival on the Park. Fortunately only minor incidents were reported and ably handled by Stewards and the Police. Close liaison with the Police will continue to ensure the event is made as safe as is reasonably possible

**Community Funds\*** It was requested that the PC promote all the community funds available to local community groups, what the funds support and how to apply. It was suggested perhaps the PC web page could be used and, not exclusively, include LECA, PC, Carnival and Co-Op

### **Carnival Liaison Update**

**Crowning the Queen\*** If possible a flatter site for the Tug of War would be appreciated to provide a level playing field in all respects

**Dog Show** Changing the location to the Park was a great success. The Dog Show will be held on the park in future years unless the Park is unfit

**Park Access\*** from Church Lane is a major problem on Carnival Day. Access from Duffield Road and Church Lane was raised as a concern not limited to Carnival Day. The PC is requested to review park access for pedestrians, those with prams, using mobility aids and the disabled.

**Parking** Inconsiderate parking around the Park on Church Lane and Duffield Road remains a concern and will be reviewed to identify if further action can be taken.

**Litter\*** The relocation of a bin may have contributed to the overflowing litter at Croft Corner. It is proposed that the PC liaise with Erewash Borough Council to explore what can be done, with a view to perhaps an additional mid-week collection.

**Lost Property\*** Can the PC share it's Lost Property Procedure with Carnival for future years

**Bunting** The Parish Council requested Carnival consider the timely removal of bunting after Carnival week, suggesting within 2 weeks. Carnival were sympathetic to the problem, however, unfortunately this may not be possible as it relies on volunteers, with the necessary equipment, who have other priorities at this time of year. Further consideration by both parties is recommended to address this issue

## **Highways**

Brackley Gate - ongoing ASB with motorbikes and continuing 4x4s which have damaged the metal gate at the boundary of Breadsall Priory land. Despite repeated requests the DCC Officers report has still not been received. DCC Officers indicated at the site visit on 19th December 2016 that they would inform Sat Nav agencies about the unsuitability of the road, contact the landowners at either end of the wood with a view to possible drainage onto their land and arrange for the route to be drained. The landowners have not been contacted and the route has still not been drained. DCC indicated that they would not take further action as residents did not want the road 'improved' No residents of Little Eaton have been contacted about this and even so the road is an unclassified highway and so residents are not in a position to stop required maintenance. The progression of a Public Spaces Protection Order via EBC is still being considered

Bus Stop markings on Church Lane & Barley Close. Feedback from DCC indicated that the carrier was not experiencing problems, however it is residents who are being left at the bus stop and other motorists stuck behind the bus blocking the entire road that have raised the issue with the PC. It was agreed to contact the carrier highlighting the problems raised by residents

Community Speedwatch continues weather permitting. The next CSW is arranged for 5th Dec and volunteers require access to the Umpires room - the Park Group was asked to make contact regarding who will be available. Members of the CSW Group had a very useful meeting with Matt Pickard at DCC and were informed that CREST is going to be taking over CSW coordination.

Residents meeting with Richard Hanbury In addition to the other issues raised at the meeting in July, the progression of VAS location and installation, pedestrian priority painting on Jack O'Darley Bridge and installation of a pedestrian Island on Morley Lane are being followed up

## **Better Kept Village**

Meeting with Garden Centre manager and representative of LEIB regarding the site entrance between the Garden Centre and Severn Trent. The drain on the road was attended to by DCC, however large vehicles parking over the entrance on the grassed areas make it a muddy mess. The area is also a problem for pedestrians crossing over the B6179 to and from Millennium Way. DCC will be contacted for advice on what action can be taken.

Poppies. The WI poppy display was appreciated by many residents and going forward the BKV Group will be investigating Poppies for attachment to street columns.

## **17/289 CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION**

- DALC circular 12-13/2017
- Derbyshire Cycling Plan
- EBC update Footpath adjacent to Barley Close. Our records currently show that it is unregistered. This does not mean that nobody owns it, it just means that the land hasn't been registered. I have asked DCC if they have any more land owner details. If they say that they have no details then its down to the land owner to come forward.
- Derbyshire Police and Crime Panel
- EBC update. ENF/094292 - Starbucks/Subway, Ford Lane, Breadsall. Further to my email of 29 March 2017 notifying you of the appeal by the owners of the above premises against the Borough Council's enforcement notice dated 15 November 2016, I am pleased to report that the Inspector appointed by the Secretary of State has now dismissed the appeal and upheld the enforcement notice with some corrections and variations. I enclose a copy of the appeal decision herewith for your information. In view of this decision the enforcement notice, as corrected and varied, took effect on 7 November 2017 and therefore must be complied with in full by 7 May 2018 (that being the date six months after the notice took effect).
- Footpath Adjacent to 38 Crab Tree Hill. I refer to your Councils request for the possible adoption of the above. Whilst it is clear that this path is being used it is not an existing public right of way and can therefore be closed at any time by the landowner. The potential adoption of the path would therefore require third party consent and is therefore outside the control of this Authority. Having inspected the path it is also noted that the width is restrictive. Any efforts to seek it's adoption would therefore require the addition of adjacent land in order to construct it to a satisfactory standard. Finally, and perhaps most importantly, the cost of adopting the path is prohibitive. The path would need to be excavated a reconstructed to an adoptable standard. It will need to be lit. It will need to be widened and any accommodation works to the adjacent property boundaries will need to be addressed.
- Information from the Parish and Town Council Liaison Forum
- Next Borough and Parish Councils' Forum meeting – 30.11.17/Minutes of meeting Jan 2017
- Agenda/Minutes for Planning Committee, Wednesday, 25th October, 2017, 5.30 pm
- Minutes for Council, Thursday, 12th October, 2017, 7.00 pm
- VHC minutes 20.9.17 and H&S actions updated
- The next community litter pick has been arranged with Pride in Erewash on 11.11.17 9.30am Croft Corner.
- A38 Essential Maintenance work: from Little Eaton roundabout to Kedleston Road
- Agenda for Planning Committee, Wednesday, 22nd November, 2017, 5.30 pm

## **17/290 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Date of next meeting 24.1.18 Little Eaton Village Hall, Vicarage Lane, 7.30 pm

## **17/291 PART II – CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION**