

**MINUTES OF LITTLE EATON ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 28.5.14 IN THE THOMAS BATES ROOM,
THE VILLAGE HALL, VICARAGE LANE, LITTLE EATON**

PRESENT: Councillors J Crane (Chair), B Adams, J Easter, B Shore, F Williamson, T Phillipson, J Crane, A Machell, A Summerfield, P Mulvey, Councillor C Hart (DCC), Mrs L Storey (Clerk)

5.14.1 ELECTION OF CHAIR

Nominations for the office of Chair were invited. Councillor J Easter was nominated. There were no other nominations. **RESOLVE:** Councillor J Easter elected as Chair.

5.14.2 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR

Nominations for the office of Vice Chair were invited. Councillor J Crane was nominated. **RESOLVE:** There were no other nominations. **RESOLVE:** Councillor J Crane elected as Vice Chair.

5.14.3 APOLOGIES

Councillor J Dallison, Councillor A Stevenson (EBC)

5.14.4 TO DETERMINE WHICH ITEMS, IF ANY, FROM PART 1 OF THE AGENDA SHOULD BE TAKEN WITH THE PUBLIC EXCLUDED

None

5.14.5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillor Mulvey declared a personal interest Agenda item 14 Park Bank bench. Councillor Shore declared a personal interest in Agenda item 24 Little Eaton in Bloom donation request.

5.14.6 PUBLIC SPEAKING

A parishioner raised concerns regarding the organisation of the newsletter. It was agreed to arrange a meeting to resolve the issue.

Two parishioners raised concerns about the proposals to remove the park gate. It was confirmed that the Parish Council were not planning to dispose of the gate. Suggestions were made that it could be used as a feature in the graveyard.

A parishioner offered to restore the gate and they were asked to send in a quotation.

Councillor Hart reported that there is a proposal going to the next Cabinet Meeting that street light bulbs would not be replaced automatically.

It was reported that a burglary had taken place on Moor Lane last week.

5.14.7 VARIATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS

None

5.14.8 MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 23.4.14

RESOLVE That the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 23.4.14 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

5.14.9 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

5.14.10 APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES

The appointment of Committee representatives was reviewed and updated.

5.14.11 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES ON EXTERNAL BODIES

The appointment of representatives was reviewed and updated.

5.14.12 REVIEW OF POLICIES & PROCEDURES/ADOPTION OF PRESS & MEDIA POLICY/FOI & DATA PROTECTION POLICY /CASUAL VACANCY FLOW CHART/COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE

It was resolved to accept the new policies that had been circulated.

5.14.13 DAMAGED FENCING IN CAR PARK – QUOTE TO SUPPLY 2 NEW GRAVEL BOARDS/REPAIR £60 SUMMERTIME FENCING

It was resolved to accept the quote for £60.

5.14.14 PARK BANK BENCH RE-VARNISH/REPLACEMENT BENCH IN FRONT OF PARK BANK NEAREST TO THE VILLAGE HALL

It was resolved to accept the quotation from S Downing for approximately £70 to sandblast the teach bench. It was agreed that the Parks committee review all benches in the park. It was also suggested that an article be placed in the newsletter if anyone was interested in donating a bench for the park.

5.14.15 BOLLARDS AT CAR PARK ENTRANCE – SUGGESTION TO RAISE EACH EVENING DUE TO ASB

It was agreed to look at the bollards as they were very difficult to use and investigate if they could be serviced or look at other alternatives.

5.14.16 RE-SURFACING OF PARK PATH – 3 QUOTES REQUESTED

Three quotes had been received and a report circulated by Councillor Mulvey with comparisons of price/specification. It was resolved to accept the quote for the re-surfacing of the park path from AB Camp at a cost of £3000 + VAT for a 30 mm layer including the removal of the park gate which will be stored pending quotes to restore.

5.14.17 STOPPING UP ORDER 2014 - PART OF PUBLIC PATH NO 14 (LITTLE EATON)

Councillor Phillipson had met with the owner of Park Farm to discuss the stopping up order to footpath 14, where it crosses through the farmyard. The proposed order will have no impact whatsoever on the right of way through the farmyard. Currently there is no clearly defined route through the farmyard, footpath users can effectively wander through the yard across its' whole width. The order will clearly define where footpath users can and can't walk, thus protecting the landowner's property from walkers who might want to wander off the (non) beaten track. The stopping up order still protects the right of way through the farmyard by defining the route more explicitly, that is, to one side of the farmyard. There were no objections

5.14.18 PROPOSAL TO RE-PLANT PART OF PARK BANK

It was resolved to accept the quote from Collyers Nurseries for 20 x ground cover roses at 141.66 + VAT. M Toms will re-arrange the existing good plants; remove the poor and failed plants; and collect from the nursery and plant for £125.00

5.14.19 PARISHIONER CONCERN SEAT AT THE TOP END OF THE CEMETERY

No further action proposed. The benefactor of the bench is aware.

5.14.20 TREE WORK – CROFT CORNER/MILLENIUM WAY

It was resolved to obtain quotations for both sites.

5.14.21 DUE TO VANDALISM OF THE BOOK EXCHANGE PHONE BOX A REPLACEMENT TOUGHENED PANE OF GLASS IS REQUIRED. PROPOSAL TO PURCHASE FROM UNICORN KIOSK RESTORATIONS £3.90 PLUS VAT PLUS DELIVERY CHARGE. TOTAL COST £22.68

It was resolved to spend up to £50 to repair the broken pane.

5.14.22 NOTICEBOARD CONTACT INFORMATION

It was resolved to update the noticeboard information.

5.14.23 CLERKS REPORT

- Old Mower SORN declaration made and letter sent to DVLA informing of sale
- Application for road tax for new mower made. S Downing has trailed mower to Millenium Way for S Brown to cut
- Parish Council December meeting cancelled/January meeting rescheduled to 14 January 2015 OAP Hall, Barley Close. Updated list circulated
- Email sent to Andy Hardwick (Church Warden) Confirming the Parish Council are investigating the footpath matter and if the Church have any insurance cover in relation to the Churchyard.
- EBC Concurrent Functions Outturn completed 2013/2014
- Carnival Committee letter sent to newsletter delivers for support with distributing carnival information
- Order for new litter bin on Moor Lane sent to EBC
- Manor Pharmacy/Co-Op confirmed hanging basket sponsorship for 2014 2 x baskets each at £35 per basket

5.14.24 CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION

- Little Eaton in Bloom Donation request £300. It was resolved to make a donation of £300. It was agreed that LEIB could mount bird boxes on some of the trees but this would be completely at their own risk.
- Parishioner complaint ref ASB in the car park. It was resolved to write to the parishioner to confirm the actions proposed.
- Peak Quote for gate work Vicarge Lane/Duffield Road entrance £265. Not approved.
- Request from parishioner to refurbish Vicarage Lane park gate rather than remove. It was agreed to respond confirming there were no plans to dispose of the gate and quotations for refurbishment would be obtained.
- Minor Maintenance Scheme £315 available. Footpaths committee to investigate options.
- Request from parishioner to purchase a plant possibly a rose or fuchsia to be placed on the park bank/small plaque donation of £20/£30. It was agreed to approve the request for a rose but not the plaque.

5.14.25 PLANNING

Applications

There were no objections to the following planning applications:-

- ERE/0514/0013 16 Westley Crescent Single storey side and rear extensions forming enlarged kitchen/dining room with new utility & w.c
- ERE/0414/0029 4 The Mews, Rigga Lane Erection of single storey extension

Refused

- ERE/0314/003029 Whittaker Lane Car port and storage area with balcony over

5.14.26 FINANCE

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

| Cheque no | Payee | Expenditure | £ |
|--------------|--------------------|---|----------------|
| Bank payment | Mrs L Storey | Salary/Expenses | 521.53 |
| Bank payment | PO Ltd | PAYE | 89.20 |
| Bank payment | Severn Trent Water | Water charges | 260.85 |
| Bank payment | Peak | Repairs to pavilion/retaining wall/repair fence | 965.00 |
| Bank payment | EBC | Hanging baskets x 5 | 330.00 |
| Bank payment | Mark Toms Ltd | Grounds maintenance | 391.87 |
| Bank payment | P Mulvey | Padlock | 19.99 |
| Bank payment | AON | Mower Insurance | 263.94 |
| Bank payment | P Morey | Park Keeper | 312.00 |
| Bank payment | Meynell Langley | 4 x hanging baskets | 134.00 |
| Bank payment | Came & Company | Annual Insurance | 2533.74 |
| | TOTAL | | 5822.12 |

Receipts

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| Erewash Borough Council | Precept/Concurrent | £33368.00 |
| Western Power | Wayleave | £ 3.45 |
| 20ten Garage | Sponsorship | £ 240.00 |

5.14.27 SUB COMMITTEE REPORTS

Best Kept Village

Councillor Shore met with Jenny Southwell from DCC Greenway. She agreed to get rubble removed from rail line at The Town in time For East Midlands in Bloom judging and re fit the chain link fence across the entrance May She may have some wild flower seeds scattered at entrance after rubble removed. Exit at Duffield Road to be tidied up and she will endeavour to liaise with Environmental Agency to get metal debris removed from Brook. New street signs ordered by EBC for Church Lane, Campwood Close, The Town and New Inn Lane and Station Road

No satisfactory outcome from land search by EBC for the fenced area by the book exchange on Alfreton Road as no owner recorded on land registry. View required on how we can move this forward in terms of finding owner to approach to repair fence which is currently an eyesore.

Little Eaton in Bloom

1. All planters and planted areas will be cleared of old spring planting on 31.5.14 to get ready for planting early in June.
2. No response for sponsorship from LEGC
3. Ongoing work to middle area of Park Bank. Degraded ground sheet removed and unused and degraded water hose. Area free of weeds and plants moved and some new sedum plants which were donated have been planted. Some work still to do.
4. The Canal Eye – LEIB working party tidying this area gradually and a small alpine area is being created in the existing shingle area. Temporary flower display is being considered to be placed by the seat for the judging period.
5. Area in park by tennis courts left as a wild flower trial area. A small temporary sign has been erected to let people know why this is being left.
6. Bug Hotel has been made by a member of LEIB and is to be filled with material suitable for bugs by the local Beaver group. As mentioned in our talk to Pc we would like to site this in the wildflower area in park. This will be pinned into ground and fits in with wildlife area.
7. We have also had some bird boxes made and donated by Scout group and have permission from Vicar to site some in church grounds and seek support from PC to site some in trees in the Park.
8. We hope to have a banner put up temporarily in centre of village and a small sign to attach to the phone box planter advertising LEIB

5.14.28 CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION

- DALC Circulars 9/2014
- TM bulletin 15-19
- Question to DCC ref Byway Open to All Traffic (BOAT) from Moor Lane to Brackley Gate - Surface and flooding. The route is currently an un-surfaced, un-classified adopted highway and is dealt with by our Highways Team. Being un-surfaced I understand that it attracts 4x4 vehicles for a bit of "off-roading". In an attempt to prove there is a legal right to use motor vehicles along this un-classified, un-surfaced highway, someone has submitted a claim to DCC's Legal Services team that evidence exists that it should be recorded on the Definitive Map as a Byway Open to All Traffic (a BOAT) – and it is this "claimed status" that is awaiting determination. It is not currently a public right of way (PRoW) recorded on the Definitive Map and therefore does not come within the remit of the PRoW Team.
- Erewash strategic housing land availability assessment (shlaa) 2014 – call for sites extension
- DCC NOTICE RD Station Road, Little Eaton
- Erewash Borough Council's Festival of Funding 2014
- 2014 Village Hall Annual General Meeting. Members nominations
- EBC Agenda for Planning Committee 7.5.14
- DALC Constitution consultation
- EBC Minutes for Council 6.3.14
- Meeting cancelled - Planning Committee - Wednesday 4 June 2014, 5.30 pm
- Village Hall Annual General Meeting 18.6.14
- PC Crooks will be monitoring the white zig zag lines outside the coop and looking to enforce zero tolerance with any offending drivers 28.5.14

5.14.29 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Date of next meeting 25.6.14 Village Hall 7.30 pm

5.14.30 PART II – CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

None