



## Little Eaton Better Kept Village Group Notes of meeting on 9.1.17

1	<b>Welcome</b>	Representatives of the Parish Council BKV Group and Little Eaton in Bloom were present as well as members of the public. Apologies were received from the Gardening Club.	
2	<b>Role of BKV Group</b>	BKV Group has responsibility to improve and develop the aspect of the village. The BKV Group currently has responsibility for planting on St Peters Park Bank and Croft Corner, Street Furniture and Christmas Decorations as well as Litter Picking.	
3	<b>Going Forward</b>	It is intended to develop short, medium and longer term plans to maintain and develop the surroundings of the village. Feedback and additions to the DRAFT Planned Maintenance Programme (PMP) are welcome and invited	ALL
4	<b>Contract Monitoring</b>	Feedback on the performance of contractors paid to deliver services to areas of the village is sought to supplement that done by the Parish Council. Contact details for BKV Group and LEIB are required for the successful contractor. The Contract specifications relevant to BKV Group will be available on <a href="http://www.littleatonparishcouncil.com">www.littleatonparishcouncil.com</a>	ALL LEIB
5	<b>Croft Corner Redesign</b>	LEIB agreed to produce a simple picture of the proposal to post on the Notice Board. BKV Group will use the Spring Newsletter to signpost residents to this proposed plan and the possible start date of Autumn 2017 seeking feedback to the Parish Council. LEIB will work up a proposal including costs for suitable stone, labour, top soil, back fill, planting, and contingency. Contractors will be asked to provide 2 quotes as above and including a cost for doing the work as outlined but using stone provided to the site. BKV Group will investigate and feedback the status of possible donated stone and the possible work Tomlinsons might be able to contribute <b>POST MEETING NOTE:</b> i) LEIB will add the cost of the topsoil to the quotations presented to the Parish Council in September. ii) As the cost of planting is a recurring one, it is suggested that planting should be priced independently. Iii) Check that, in addition to the hard copies given to the PC in September, electronic copies have been sent to the PC clerk.	LEIB BKV LEIB BKV LEIB
6	<b>Daffodil Planting</b>	LEIB agreed to review and update additional Daffodil planting locations for addition to the Objects License application to DCC. BKV Group to forward the current planted locations and progress DCC Application	LEIB BKV
7	<b>Street Furniture</b>	BKV Group is developing a list of street furniture detailing the responsible organisation be it LEPC, EBC or DCC. Feedback is requested from residents to identify any street furniture in the village that is in need of maintenance or repair.	BKV ALL
8	<b>Planters</b>	BKV Group and LEIB agreed to develop a list of planters in the village with a view to identifying locations and the group with ongoing responsibility.	BKV & LEIB
9	<b>Hanging Baskets</b>	Currently the hanging baskets are co-ordinated by LEIB and funded by LEIB, PC and Little Eaton Community Association. Sponsorship needs renewal this year. BKV Group to consider if Hanging Baskets should be included in the BKV Group responsibilities	LEIB BKV



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10	<b>Christmas Decorations</b>	<p>Positive feedback has been received from residents regarding the Christmas Decorations. Proposal to decorate the village along the B6179. If staggered expansion is necessary it is proposed to expand from the centre outwards, initially from i) Croft Corner, The Town and towards Barley Close as proposed by LEIB ii) Croft Corner North to the Book Exchange and South to The Black Smiths. iii) Book Exchange to Jack O'Darley Bridge and South to Duffield Road. LEIB also suggested New Inn Lane to Duffield Road</p> <p>iv) BKV Group will investigate the type of decoration (tree, star etc.), power (solar or using electricity of lighting column) and hanging style – between lamps, across the road or individual decorations on lighting columns</p>	<p>BKV</p> <p>BKV</p>
11	<b>Litter Picking</b>	<p>Currently arranged twice a year by LEIB and request more Parish Councillors attend. Newsletter to offer free litter pickers to residents. BKV Group to investigate a possible communal multi-item litter picker to be placed around Croft Corner. Community Warden to be asked for feedback regarding visit to the School. Litter and Fly-tipping is an agenda item from Little Eaton at the EBC Forum meeting on 23.1.17</p>	<p>BKV</p>
12	<b>AOB</b>	<p>i) LEIB are Interested in the possibility of Plane or Rowan trees along Millennium Way with the proviso that they do not make it dark for people using the path. It was agreed to include in the BKV Group draft development plan</p> <p>ii) BKV Group agreed to request the EBC tree survey for review at the next meeting</p> <p>iii) Wildlife Meadow – LEIB are meeting with the Park Group on 17<sup>th</sup> Jan</p> <p>iv) Mill Green – although in private ownership BKV Group agreed to request the PC take action as the area is unsightly</p> <p>v) Garden Centre – although not included in the Cultivation License held by LEPC or within LEPC boundary, the area around the Garden Centre is an eye sore. This has previously been raised with DCC and the Garden Centre Head Quarters, BKV Group agreed to pursue the problem again via the PC</p> <p>vi) Under-planting trees around St Peter's Park with spring bulbs has been suggested by all East Midlands in Bloom Judges visiting the village. LEIB request the PC reconsider planting with crocus as they flower early prior to grass growing and therefore do not impede routine grass cutting</p> <p>vii) BKV Group to request the PC complain again about the David Ray Vans which continue to be parked on DCC land at the roundabout.</p> <p>viii) It was agreed to make an application to alter the current Boundary aligning it with the A38 line</p>	<p>BKV</p> <p>BKV</p> <p>LEIB</p> <p>BKV</p> <p>BKV</p> <p>BKV</p> <p>BKV</p> <p>BKV</p>
13	<b>Date &amp; Time of Next Meeting</b>	<p>7pm Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2017 Lounge of Bell &amp; Harp, Alfreton Road, Little Eaton</p>	