

EGGINTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 18th JULY 2011 AT 7:30 PM IN THE MEMORIAL HALL, EGGINTON

Present: Cllr Mrs Lisa Brown (Chair)
Cllr Miles Nesbitt
Cllr Mrs Susan Nesbitt
Cllr Mrs Brenda Cowley
Cllr Mrs Pat Riley

In Attendance:
Cllr Julie Patten (DCC)
Mr P Woolrich - Clerk
5 members of the public

PART 1 NON -EXEMPT INFORMATION

11/58 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Paul Whittingham and Cllr John Lemmon (SDDC).

11/59 ANY MEMBER TO DECLARE AN INTEREST.

Cllr Mrs Lisa Brown declared a personal interest in matters relating to planning applications as a Member of the District Council's Planning Committee.

11/60 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Two instances of flytipping were reported and these had been dealt with, with thanks to Mr Gerrard. It was also reported that the main gate at the entrance to Boundary Road appears not to be used possibly increasing the opportunities for unlawful encampments. Although the road serves Biffa and private residents it understood that it belongs to Severn Trent Ltd.

Resolved: That Severn Trent be asked that the gates be locked at nights to prevent unlawful access.

11/61 TO CONFIRM THE NON-EXEMPT MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 16th MAY 2011

Resolved: That the minutes be approved and signed by the Chair.

11/62 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT ON THE AGENDA

The Chair advised that with Council's now consulting electronically, a new way of consulting members would be required and towards this end she would endeavour to borrow a projector to see how this could be done effectively. The EA has advised that a meeting will be held on 9th August to discuss the flood alleviation works to be provided in Foston, Hatton and Egginton. They had also requested information on when contributions would be paid. Cllr Riley reported on her problems when recently visiting the Council's bankers and the need for a higher interest account. The Chair indicated that as she was now Chair of the Area Forum, her place would need to be replaced by another Member. The Chair advised that Chris Payne has had the watercourse in Fishpond Lane cleaned although Cllr Nesbitt indicated that the drain along Etwall Road was in a similar state. A response had been received from Atkins, STW's consultants, concerning the proposed new access to the pumping station indicating that this new access would hug the A38 and be

unlit therefore not compromising the access to the village from Church Road.

Resolved:

1. That Cllr Brown attend the EA meeting on 9th August.
2. That the EA be advised that the Parish Council's contribution would be made after planning permission has been granted and works are underway but that in any event the final contribution cannot be made until April 2012.
3. That a new mandate be completed for Yorkshire Bank and that a new one year interest account be opened for the play equipment replacement fund.
4. That Cllr Riley be appointed to the Etwall Area Forum
5. That Chris Payne be thanked for his endeavours on Fishpond Lane and asked to look at the drain along Etwall Road.
6. That Atkins be thanked for their response but requested to keep the Council informed of progress.

11/63 TO DETERMINE WHICH ITEMS IF ANY ON PART 1 OF THE AGENDA SHOULD BE TAKEN WITH THE PUBLIC EXCLUDED.

There were none

Cllrs Patten left the meeting at 7:50pm

11/64 JUNCTION OF ASHGROVE LANE AND ETWALL ROAD - VISIBILITY ISSUES

Complaints have been received that the overhanging hedge and grass verge were obstructing visibility for those wishing to turn right from the Egginton Brook Bridge into Ashgrove Lane. The Clerk has already written to the County Council whilst the chair has spoken to Mr Smedley who has agreed to cut back the hedge. In response to a request from Cllr Miles Nesbit that a full width cut of the verges also be undertaken, the Clerk advised that a full width cut has already been arranged for the end of the month.

Resolved : that these be noted.

11/65 CATHERINE JONATHAN PLAYING FIELDS.

Mr McCulloch had completed the works at the playing fields which included levelling and re-seeding the main entrance, levelling and turfing the goal mouths and clearing the paths. The turf was daily watered by Cllr Riley with help from Mr and Mrs Hennessy who kindly loaned their garden tap. Cllr Cowley indicated that she had spoken to Mr Marples about possibly using probationers to assist with carrying out a list of works he had prepared following an inspection of the playing fields. The schedule was passed to the Chair. The PTA have agreed to the supply and fitting of new football nets.

Resolved:

1. That a letter of thanks be sent to the Hennessys.
2. That a letter of thanks be sent to the PTA in respect of the nets with a request as to when this will be carried out.

11/66 DOG BINS

The temporary dog bins have been a success but the problem of emptying them is proving problematic. The Clerk advised that it would cost approximately £420 plus VAT to have a bin installed and some £156 per annum to have it emptied. He considered that these may

be concurrent functions and hoped to claim some if not all back through the concurrent funding allowance.

Resolved: Arrangements be made to have one additional dog bin installed in Blacksmith's Lane and for its weekly emptying.

11/67 SOUTH DERBYSHIRE DC - RESPONSE TO LDF CONSULTATION

The Council discussed the latest on-going consultation by the District Council on the recently published housing options. The following points were agreed,

- South Derbyshire has been the fastest growing District of Derbyshire for the last four decades due to economic development stimuli (Toyota, etc) and the need to accommodate the overflowing needs of Derby and Burton on Trent.
- As a consequence, much of the rural areas, especially the villages have changed considerably, and have in all probability reached saturation point with services under considerably strains, particularly the schools
- The John Port Secondary school is struggling to cope with existing developments in the north-west of the District not to mention anything further from this exercise. It should also be noted that this school site following the building of the new leisure centre and children's centre, is now severely restricted and parking for both the school and the leisure centre has become a big local issue in the area
- The character of these small settlements is coming under increasing strain, indeed Hilton has become one big housing estate where services are struggling to catch up. A lot of character has been lost in the process.
- Development should now be restricted in these rural areas particularly between Burton and Derby which is a danger of coalescing. Previous planning practice was to protect this vulnerable corridor.
- The panacea of economic led development should now be carefully balanced against accommodating sensitive indigenous growth in order to protect the limited rural resources remaining.
- The PC would therefore prefer options 1 or option 2 with development restricted to the fringes of the urban areas (of Derby City and Swadlincote or to the town of Belper) where opportunities to accommodate such development are considered to be more sustainable.
- Of particular interest in this area is the perceived threat of a massive strategic distribution centre and railhead. Whilst the Parish Council appreciates that the A38/A50 corridors are viewed by the District Council as presenting logistical advantages, it is essential that any such proposals are viewed against the small scale rural communities, pastoral landscapes and historic houses and environment which characterise this part of the District. The inevitable increase in HGV and other traffic in an already choked road infrastructure, characterised by junctions with a poor accident history, conflicts with the requirements of residents and no doubt tourists to this area. It is noted that the District Council is promoting tourism to the area - new Marina, National Forest et al - whereas this proposal would appear to be in conflict with those aspirations.

Resolved : That the District Council be advised of the Parish Council's concerns.

11/68 DERBYSHIRE COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES - CONSULTATION ON BECOMING A NHS FOUNDATION TRUST

Cllr Susan Nesbitt briefly outlined the background and reasoning behind the consultation but indicated that she would need further time to come to any meaningful conclusions.

Resolved: that the matter be deferred to the next meeting when Cllr Nesbitt had completed her deliberations.

11/69 TO RECEIVE THE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

A request and suggestions had been received for proposals to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee in 2012. These involved the setting up of a sub-committee of the Parish Council and draft terms of reference had been suggested. She also advised of the recent changes within the EA and the extra responsibilities now to be undertaken by Mark Swain.

Resolved :

1. that these be noted and implemented with Cllrs M.Nesbitt, S. Nesbitt and Riley appointed to the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Sub- Committee, the terms of reference be approved, and it be recommended that the Chair of the sub-committee be appointed from within that sub-committee.
2. That Sir Henry Every be thanked for his endeavours to date.

11/70 TO RECEIVE ANY REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES

Cllr Riley reported on her and Cllr Cowley's attendance at the Parish Liaison Meeting on 23rd June and distributed a booklet on climate change. Cllr Nesbitt advised that he had been notified of an attempted burglary by the Ringmaster system and it was agreed that all future such notifications should be circulated via the Parish electronic database. Cllr Rile reported on her meeting with the airport owners where everything appears to be in good order, the only bone of contention being that people were using the access road as a bridleway which it is not.

Resolved : that these be agreed and noted.

11/71 REVIEW OF ACTION PLAN/PARISH COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS ON PROJECT ITEMS

Cllr Susan Nesbitt reported on her preliminary work on the gateway project and that she hoped to have made considerably more headway by the next meeting.

Resolved : that this be noted

11/72 ACCOUNTS

Resolved :

1. That the report of the External Auditor be accepted. There was nothing to note.
2. that the following Accounts be authorised for payment :

P.Woolrich- Clerk's fee June	£199.37
Mr McCulloch - Footpath Maintenance	£68.00
Abiteck Systems Ltd - Printer inks	£86.32
P.Woolrich - Clerk's Fee July	£199.57
Egginton Parish Institute - Hall Hire - July	£12.00
Mr McCulloch - Repairs CJPF/Car park strimming	£940.00
P.Woolrich (expenses to 11/7/2011)	£195.34

- Audit Commission - external Audit Fee £144.00
3. That the nil income be noted
 4. That the Bank reconciliation be accepted.

11/73 CORRESPONDENCE

- 1) DALC - General Circular 25/2011
- 2) DALC - General Circular 26/2011
- 3) Clerks and Council's Direct Magazine
- 4) DALC - Training Circular - 27/2011
- 5) SDDC - Media Release - Awards
- 6) DALC - Revised Standing Orders 28/2011
- 7) Safer Neighbourhood Group - Agenda and Minutes
- 8) Safer Neighbourhood Group - Monthly Report
- 9) CPRE - Countryside Voice
- 10) DALC - General Circular 29/2011
- 11) DALC - Circular 30/2011 - Election for Executive Committee
- 12) DALC - Representation on Standards Committee
- 13) RAD - The Playing Field Magazine
- 14) Vitalise - Request for Donation
- 15) SDDC - Planning Permissions
- 16) EMA - web update information
- 17) DALC - General Circular 31/2011
- 18) SDDC - Planning Consultation and Response
- 19) North west Area Team update
- 20) DALC - General Circular 32/2011
- 21) DALC - General Circular 33/2011
- 22) DALC - Training Courses 34/2011
- 23) SDDC - LDF Drop in Events
- 24) Clerks and Councils Direct
- 25) DWT - Request for support
- 26) DCHS - Trust Consultation (Separate Agenda item)
- 27) SDDC - Planning Application Notification
- 28) SDDC - Decision Notices
- 29) DALC - SDDC Planning Standards Committee
- 30) SDDC - Free Body MOT's
- 31) SDDC - Housing Needs press release

Resolved: That a response be made to the County Council re the reduction in street lighting.

11/74 PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND DECISIONS

Cllr Nesbitt in the Chair, Cllr Mrs Lisa Brown having declared a personal interest as a Member of the District Council's Planning Committee.

9/2011/0103 The change of use from garage and games room to residential for use for family members at Rotherwood, Church Road, Egginton (**objections with request for conditions**)

9/2011/0444 The Retention and Alterations To a Storage Building at Egginton Hall, Church Road, Egginton. (**objections with request for conditions**)

CM9/1205/154 Extraction of Sand and Gravel and restoration to open water, nature conservation and agriculture - Revised restoration scheme and new FRA submitted. (**Not yet determined**)

CM9/0307/182 Proposed Continuation and Use of Haul Road without Complying With Condition 2 and 6 of the Previous Permission (Limiting the Location of Minerals Extracted & Timescales) **(Not yet determined)**

CM9/0307/189 Proposed Continuation and Use of Ready Mix Plant previously Granted Permission without Complying with Condition 2 & 6 Of That Permission **(Not yet determined)**

CM9/0305/235 Proposed Extension To Willington Quarry **(held in abeyance)**

Resolved: That the relevant matters and actions be approved and noted

Cllr Mrs Lisa Brown resumed the Chair.

11/75 DATE OF NEXT MEETING)

Resolved: That the next Parish Council Meeting be held on Monday 19th September 2011 at the Memorial Hall, commencing at 7:30pm.

PART TWO - EXEMPT ITEMS

There were none

The Chairman thanked all for attending the meeting which closed at 9:45 pm.

Signed

Date