

LITTLE EATON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 22 JULY 2009 AT THE O.A.P. HALL, BARLEY CLOSE.

PRESENT: Simon Downing (Chairman), Norman Grundy, Brenda Shore, Bill Hutchison, Tim Phillipson, John Easter (Vice Chairman), Brian Adams, Alan Machell, Tom Parr, Cllr Eileen Knight (EBC) and Cllr. Carol Hart (DCC).

Doreen Roach [Clerk].

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Five members of the public were present.

One member reported that a lamp opposite 176 Alfreton Road was covered in foliage and therefore was not spreading any light. DCC to be contacted.

A member of the Carnival Committee (Equipment Officer) gave apologies for not clearing space in the Pavilion as previously promised, but said he had run out of space and appealed for more space in the new Village Hall building. Simon Downing agreed the request would be taken into consideration.

Police Liaison Officers - were in not attendance.

Brenda Shore welcomed Debbie Alston, Local Biodiversity Officer from EBC gave an interesting insight into the Public Authority's duty to conserve and protect the Countryside working with various other public bodies. The Parish Council can assist when considering the following -:

- a Parish Planning
- b Planning Applications
- c Managing Land
- d Creating Byelaws

Brenda and the Parish Council thanked Debbie for her interesting talk and the information therein.

AGENDA PART I: NON-EXEMPT INFORMATION:

0709.01 Apologies for Absence: Cllr. Alan Summerfield (EBC)

0709.02 Declarations of Members' Interests: None reported

0709.03 Non-exempt Minutes of Meeting of 24 June 2009: It was unanimously **resolved** that the Chairman sign-off the Minutes as a true record.

0709.04 Reports of Sub-Committees: John Easter - nothing to report

0709.05 Crime / Neighbourhood Watch / Anti-social Behavior: Bill Hutchison reported that the speed gun project is still ongoing and that to date 3 other Parish Councils have agreed to join in the cost of the Project. Bill also reported that the next KINS meeting will be held at Stanley Common on 6 August. Brenda Shore reported that the cash machine at the Co-op is still out of action.

Brian Adams said that it was comforting to find that the local constabulary had requested to have dedicated room in the new Village Hall as a local office.

0709.06 Reports from outside body Representatives:

Cllr. Hart - Reported that Parish Councils would be invited to a meeting on 22 October at Matlock for a question and answer session.

Tom Parr said he had recently attended a Parish Forum which he found very informative and suggested that Parish Councilors should make an effort to attend subsequent meetings.

Cllr. Summerfield - Nothing to report

Cllr. Knight – Nothing to report

0709.07 Finance:

0709.07.a: Accounts for Payment: It was unanimously **resolved** that the account for payment be paid, proposed by Brian Adams, seconded by Alan Machell.

Chq. No:		Detail:		£
2107		S J Brown Contractor Services: Jun'09		570.40
2108		Park Hall Designs Web site maintenance Jun 09		20.00
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0709.07.b Credits: There were no credits

0709.08 Park / Pavilion: John Easter said that the problems with the showers had now been fixed and that the new toilets which will be installed as part of the re-furbishment will be stainless steel and easier to clean.

John also said that he was arranging a meeting of the regular users of the Pavilion to discuss the future. The signs for the Children's Play area were now in place and John thanked Tim Phillipson and Simon Downing. The weeds on the Park need spraying Simon Downing said he would arrange this when the weather is more favorable. The skip used for carnival day will be moved when weather permits.

Simon Downing reported that lead had been stolen, and tiles broken, from the Sports Committee Hall roof.

John Easter said he would be giving talks and walks around the village to outside bodies and as in previous years would donate the proceeds to the Village Hall Project.

0709.09 Footpaths: Tim Phillipson proposed the hand rail at end of the path Rigga Lane/Alfreton Road replaced and the steps made more user friendly by the Parish Council Contractor, this was **resolved**. Tim also reported that footpath 17 past Outram's Wharf needed clearing, clerk to contact the letting agent.

John Easter reported dangerous trees overhanging the bridle way to Breadsall, Cllr. Carol Hart said she would report it to DCC.

0709.10 Highways: Alan Machell - Nothing to Report

0709.11 Street Lighting: Norman Grundy had nothing to report. Cllr Hart said she would contact DCC regarding the lamp on Alfreton Road.

0709.12 Emergency Planning: Tom Parr – said he was due to attend a meeting at Matlock on 17 September.

Simon Downing said he was concerned about the bio-degradable sand bags running out of date. Tom Parr agreed to look into the matter.

0709.13 Better Kept Villages: Brenda Shore reported that some of the Japanese Knotweed, on the verges, that had been sprayed with weed killer was not dying and suggested contacting DCC, Simon Downing agreed to ask the PC Contractor to re spray the areas involved when the weather permits.

0709.13 a) Grass Verge Cutting: Bill Hutchison had received a copy the mowing schedule which he passed to the Clerk who is to write to 3 selected contractors for quotes.

0709.14 Churchyard: Brian Adams – reported that there was still not response regarding an appeal to the Church Authorities for help in repairing the church wall, the clerk agreed to contact again.

0709.15 Youth Facilities: Norman Grundy – reported a disappointing attendance in June due to poor weather conditions when the facility was in the Village. The EBC Climbing Wall need more staff before they can become fully operational. Norman is now trying to organize an Autumn programme with both EBC and DCC, Norman also asked that other Councilors take more of an interest by attending some of the sessions.

0709.16 Planning Matters:

ERE/0309/0057 – Proposed two storey extension to south elevation – Outrigger, Rigga Lane, Little Eaton, Derby, DE56 4BL.

There were no objections to this application.

0709.17 Licensing Matters: Nothing to report

0709.18 Correspondence Checklist and Clerk's Report: The Clerk covered details within the distributed checklist and invited Councillors to tick any items of interest - which she would then forward.

0709.19 Village Hall/Car Park Project: Simon Downing reported that planning permission should be granted by the end of July. There are no other problems and regular reviews with both WREN and the Big Lottery are taking place. Brian Adams suggested that a Hall Management Committee should be appointed in readiness for when the Hall is completed. Simon Downing stated the BLF would like to see building underway before any further action is taken on the subject. Brian Adams suggested sending letters to the top 10 users. Norman Grundy suggested a meeting of the groups who will be using the Hall. The clerk was asked to send letters to clubs / committees who have pledged funds by the end of September, Simon Downing to provide details.

0709.20 Allotments: The PC asked the clerk to contact EBC with the information received that no landowners are willing to sell or lease land for the use of allotments in the village.

0709.22 Web Sites: Tom Parr sated that the website had been updated with the Carnival News. Simon Downing said that the Village Hall site would be updated in due course.

0709.23 Dog Waste Bins: Simon Downing agreed to send a map to DCC identifying areas where the 5 new dog waste bins are to be placed. The type of bins have now been selected and ordered.

0709.24 Bus Shelter – Bill Hutchison agreed to contact DCC to see if a grant can be obtained towards rebuilding the bus shelter at the Toll Bar, this is in response to a DALC Circular.

0709.25 Greenway Project – Tom Parr reported that the Project was still in hand

0709.26 Items for next Agenda: none

There being no other business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.07pm.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday 26 August 7.30 pm.

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Signed:..... Date:
Chairman