

# LITTLE EATON PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 24 SEPTEMBER 2008 AT THE O.A.P. HALL, BARLEY CLOSE.

**PRESENT:** Simon Downing [Chairman], Brenda Shore, Bill Hutchison, Tim Phillipson, Brian Adams, Alan Machell, Tom Parr, Cllr. Carol Hart (DCC).

Doreen Roach [Clerk].

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

No members of the public were present.

### **AGENDA PART I: NON-EXEMPT INFORMATION:**

**0908.01 Apologies for Absence:** Norman Grundy, John Easter, Cllr. Alan Summerfield (EBC), PC Russell Crooks

**0908.02 Declarations of Members' Interests:** None

**0908.03 Non-exempt Minutes of Meeting of 24 August 2008:** It was unanimously **resolved** that the Chairman sign-off the Minutes as a true record.

**0908.04 Reports of Sub-Committees:** Simon Downing - nothing to report

**0908.05 Crime / Neighbourhood Watch / Anti-social Behaviour:** Bill Hutchison reported that things had quietened down with regard to young people using anti-social behaviour the Pavilion Car Park, however there were a number of drivers excessively speeding through part of Alfreton Road. The Police are to hold a "Street Briefing" in the Pavilion Car Park on 6th November, also on 26 November there will be a Police Surgery held in the OAP Hall, Barley Close, Little Eaton from 6 – 7pm, all are welcome to attend. There will be a KINS Meeting in the OAP Hall, Barley Close on 7 October.

### **0908.06 Reports from outside body Representatives:**

**Cllr. Hart** Reported that the pedestrian crossing lights had been repaired and were back to normal working. The DCC Elections will be held on 23 May 2009. Cllr Hart also reminded the councillors that there was still a small amount of Community Capital Funding available for any special projects that require funding.

**Cllr. Summerfield** sent his apologies, and Cllr Hart reported on his behalf that the EBC Annual Budget report is to be issued shortly. Cllr Hart also clarified usage of the green refuse bags.

### **0908.07 Finance :**

**0908.07.a : Accounts for Payment:** It was unanimously **resolved** that the account for payment be paid, proposed by Brian Adams, seconded by Tim Phillipson.

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Accounts for Payment:		Meeting Date: 24.09.2008
Chq. No:	Detail:	£
2022	S J Brown Contractor services - Aug 08	118.00
2023	Park Hall Designs Websites maint'nce - Aug08	20.00
2024	D M Roach Clerk salary/exp's -S ept 08	442.49
2025	C Hourd Park-keeping sal/exp- S ept 08 Expenses	286.56 24.91
2026	Peter Stone Village Hall Business Plan	837.19
2027	LexisNexis Butterworths Local Council Administration Book	53.45
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,782.60</b>

#### 0908.07.b Credits received and banked

LE Sports & Carnival Committee	128.88
LE Diamonds – Junior FC	160.00

**0908.07.c NSI Account** – It was unanimously **resolved** that the amount of £3,500 be withdrawn from the account to re-imburse the Parish Council Accounts for money already paid out on behalf of the project, proposed by Brian Adams, seconded by Tim Phillipson

**0908.08 Park / Pavilion:** It was unanimously **resolved** that S J Brown Contractors be approached to mow the East Side of Alfreton Road north of the Village on a regular basis. Bill Hutchison agreed to monitor usage of the Park by the various football clubs using the park for training and matches, and report back in due course.

**0908.09 Footpaths:** Simon Downing reported that to date three footpaths in the village were being cleared by SJ Brown, contractors. Bill Hutchison said another path could also benefit from clearing, Simon Downing said he would look at this path. Tim Phillipson agreed to look into “procedures to adopt footpaths”

**0908.10 Highways:** Brian Adams reported that the bus shelter as the Toll Bar had disappeared, Simon Downing said he was aware of this and that the shelter would be replaced in due course.

**0908.11 Street Lighting:** Norman Grundy sent his apologies and Bill Hutchison reported on his behalf. Lamp 54882 in Barley Close is now operational. Lighting in the Pavilion over the ladies toilet light needs replacing – Brian Adams agreed to look into this.

**0908.12 Emergency Planning:** Tom Parr / Alan Machill – reported on that Flood Fair they both attended on behalf of the Parish Council. A Flood Fair has been arranged in conjunction with EBC, this will be held on 13 October at 6-8pm in the Old Peoples Hall, Barley Close, Little Eaton, all welcome to attend. Posters have gone up around the village.

**0908.13 Better Kept Villages:** Bill Hutchison reported that 5 bags of daffodils bulbs (3 donated and 2 purchased from the local garden centre) have been planted around the village. Winter bedding plants have been ordered for Croft Corner and should be planted w/c 6 October. The Scouts and Cubs have requested that they be involved with a litter pick around the village. The Better Kept Village Litter pick will take place sometime around the end of November, Bill Hutchison agreed to contact Richard Windsor from EBC regarding the litter pick.

**0908.14 Churchyard:** Brian Adams reported that he and Simon Downing attended a meeting with Mr Gregory (Church Warden) and the Vicar as a result of that meeting a list of work to be done around the churchyard was agreed:-

- 1 Apply to have 2 large lime trees removed. (EBC Conservation area)
- 2 Laying down some of the gravestones to aid maintenance in the Churchyard
- 3 Topple Testing follow up at regular intervals.
- 4 Some grave stones need attention and straightening up
- 5 Steps on the right hand side and paving slabs need making secure
- 6 The retaining wall maintenance - PCC to provide costing and history of maintenance
- 7 Fencing needed to safeguard new wall, barbed wire needs removing, and Simon Downing suggested that surplus fencing from the Millennium Way could be used in place of the barbed wire.

It was proposed by Brian Adams, seconded by Bill Hutchison and unanimously **resolved** that this work be carried out in the Churchyard.

**0908.15 Youth Facilities:** Norman Grundy – Bill Hutchison reported that we are still awaiting clearance from the CRB, however EBC are to advertise for part time contract staff with a current target to be operational by December. The climbing wall purchase by EBC has been agreed and is awaiting delivery. DCC still no information on the youth facilities to the end of 2009.

**0908.16 Planning Matters:** There were no planning applications received by the Council for this meeting

**0908.17 Licensing Matters:** There was nothing to report.

**0908.18 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.

**0908.19 Village Hall/Car Park Project:** Simon Downing presented a copy of the Lottery Application at the Council Meeting and added that application had already been sent to the Lottery and also a copy to WREN.

**0908.20 Allotments:** The clerk read a letter had been received from the Allotment Association, Simon Downing agreed to contact the Allotment Association and explain what has happened to date. The Diocese sent a message stating that this item is still on their agenda but there was not time to discuss this matter at their last meeting and the item will be carried forward to the next meeting. Clerk to follow up before next PC Meeting.

**0908.21 Web Sites:** Tom Parr – Nothing to Report

**0908.22 Dog Waste Bins:** Awaiting neighbourhood watch the Newsletter reports.

**0908.23 Better Kept Villages Water Supply:** Removed from agenda until 2009

**0908.24 Pavilion Toilets –** Bill Hutchison suggested that this item be included within the Village Hall Project  
At future meetings

There being no other business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.135pm.

**0908.25 Items for next Agenda:**

**NEXT MEETING:** Wednesday 22 October 7.30 pm.

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Chairman