

LITTLE EATON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 26 MARCH 2008 AT THE O.A.P. HALL, BARLEY CLOSE.

PRESENT: Simon Downing [Chairman], Norman Grundy, Alan Machell, Bill Hutchison, John Easter, Tom Parr, Tim Phillipson, Brenda Shore and Cllr. Alan Summerfield, Brian Adams, Cllr. Carol Hart [DCC], P C Russell Crooks.

Doreen Roach [Clerk].

APOLOGIES:

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

0308.01 No members of the public were present.

AGENDA PART I: NON-EXEMPT INFORMATION:

0308.02 Apologies for Absence: None

0308.03 Declarations of Members' Interests: None

0308.04 Non-exempt Minutes of Meeting of 27 February 2008: After a small amendment it was unanimously **RESOLVED** that the Chairman sign-off the Minutes as a true record.

0308.05 Reports of Sub-Committees: John Easter reported on the Borough Parish Liaison meeting he had attended and explained how the New Code of Conduct worked, Cllr Carol Hart clarified this situation.

0308.06 Crime / Neighbourhood Watch / Anti-social Behaviour: PC Russell Crooks apologised for not attending the last Parish Council meeting and will not be able to attend the next. P C Crooks reported a new initiative called KINs (Key Individual Networks) and invited members of the Council to sign up. A new support officer PC Chris Hart will be joining PC Crooks to help make the area a safer neighbourhood and visiting local residents to re- assure them. On 19 April 2008 at 3 – 5 pm both Police Officers will be holding a street briefing outside the Co- Op for public consultation and a Surgery on 28 May 2008 6 – 7:30pm in Little Eaton OAP Hall, immediately prior to the Parish Council Meeting. Bill Hutchinson reported under age drinking in the Village to PC Crooks who stated that plans were already in place to make regular visits to Little Eaton and the surrounding villages. Alan Machell stated his concern about parked cars around the school at closing time, P C Crooks said he would speak to the headmaster regarding the matter. Alan Machell also reported parking problems outside M W Polimers. Alan Summerfield stated that Derby County Council had in the past rejected applications to put yellow lines on the road.

0308.07 Reports from outside body Representatives:

Cllr. Hart - Nothing to report

Cllr. Summerfield reported that Tomlinson's has erected light in their car park without planning permission however an application has now been submitted.

A letter had been received regarding the erection of a shed at Beech House, Alan Summerfield was to respond

0308.08 Finance :

0308.08.1: Accounts for Payment:

1959	S J Brown - Contractor Services - Feb 08	£188.00
1960	Park Hall designs – Website Maintenance	£66.99
1961	D M Roach – Clerk Salary & Expenses	£440.49
1962	C Hourd - Park keeping, expenses	£139.20
1963	DALC – Annual Sub	£439.81
1964	Tom Parr – 1 – 1 Internet Annual Domain	£10.56
1965	Peter Stone - Consultant for Business Plan	£807.81
1966	L Hollis – Cleaner Pavilion	£ 164.20

0308.09 Park / Pavilion: John Easter reported that the George Emery seat was broken beyond repair, however Mr C Hourd had requested that he be allowed to mend it and was given permission by J Easter on behalf of the Council, it was agreed by the Council to place the seat adjacent to Duffield Road in the Park when repaired. The painting of the dressing rooms had now been completed and they are looking good, now the toilets are being painted.

A quote for £550 from Greg Lord to remove 6 trees, prune the remaining trees and remove the debris was approved by the Parish Council.

A Valuation of the pavilion has taken place for Insurance purposes and the plot for the New Village Hall.

0308.10 Footpaths: Nothing to report

0308.11 Highways: There has been no progress in securing repairs on the Co-op forecourt. Bill Hutchison offered to look into the situation. Cllr Hart was to contact EBC regarding the drop curbs in Barley Close opposite the OAP Hall.

Alan Machell reported he was concerned from Health and Safety aspect about loose tiles on a house on the T Junction at the bottom of Vicarage Lane, Cllr Hart agreed to look into this.

0308.12 Street Lighting: Norman Grundy reported that the Alfreton Road Central Refuge situation had now been resolved. The lamp in Vicarage Lane previously reported has been monitored and it was found that the foliage surrounding the lamp is to blame for the lamp's erratic behaviour.

0308.13 Emergency Planning: Alan Machell attended the Flood Fair at Denby and had obtained a number of leaflets. Alan also produced a plan for all members of the Council to sign as being contacts in such an emergency.

Tom Parr read out some of the examples in the plan that Council members would be expected to oversee.

Simon Downing expressed a concern as to who would cover the expenses for such a plan.

Cllr Hart agreed to ask if Liz Partington the Flood liaison officer would attend a Parish Council Meeting to give more information regarding this.

John Easter reported that he was concerned regarding the Cinder Hill development and was going to contact Severn Trent about any action being taken regarding flood reports.

Simon Downing agreed to contact Amber Valley Planning department regarding any new build that may take place.

0308.14 Better Kept Villages: Bill Hutchinson reported that the sub committee set up to submit the Calor Village 2008 competition had concluded that there was too much work involved and too short a time to do it, so regretfully decided not to take part this year.

Bill Hutchison reported that he had organised a litter pick on 13 April 2008 at 10am, meet outside the Co-op.

Members of EBCs Pride in Erewash team will also be attending, equipment will be provided. Brenda Shore had contacted the Scouts group and put a poster up on the notice board requesting volunteers.

Bill also asked for volunteers for a rota to the water the plants in Croft Corner from Mid April onwards, Tom Parr, Alan Machell and Alan Summerfield volunteered, Brenda Shore had put up posters on the notice board requesting volunteers and Simon Downing said he would supply water containers.

Bill Hutchinson reported that horse riders were churning up the ground down Millennium Way Doreen Roach was asked to contact Derbyshire County Council to see if this land is a Bridle Path.

Brenda Shore reported she was concerned about deep ruts which had appeared on the grass verge near Tomlinson's also a number of waste pallets deposited near their entrance, Simon Downing offered to check the area out.

0308.15 Churchyard: Simon Downing reported that repairs to Church wall had been carried by the PCC's own contractor and that the invoice had been incorrectly sent to the Parish Church Council. Doreen Roach was to contact EBC a second time to clarify who was actually responsible for the upkeep of the wall.

0308.16 Youth Facilities: Norman Grundy reported that the Climbing wall from DCC was available for Carnival day at no charge to the Parish Council.

Derbyshire County Council's Skate Park for over 11's will be visiting Little Eaton at the end of April or beginning of May.

The Skate and Ride facility from EBC will be available, Norman was to contact various groups throughout the Village as to when would be the best time for this facility to visit Little Eaton.

0308.17 Planning Matters: Simon Downing read a letter of concern from 3 residents on Duffield Road regarding the erection of a building at the corner of Alfreton road and Duffield Road, Simon agreed to send a response.

The Parish Council considered the following application:

RE: DCC Code CD8/0308 237 Proposed partial window and door replacement scheme, Little Eaton Primary School, Alfreton Road, Little Eaton

There were no objections

0308.18 Licensing Matters: There was nothing to report.

0308.19 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.

0308.20 Village Hall/Car Park Project: Simon Downing reported that the Lottery Application was still going ahead, and that Insurance Indemnity was required Simon Lewis is acting as advisor to this project. An access survey is in motion by Keith Boot and is to be incorporated in the application. Bill Hutchinson and Norman Grundy asked about committee rooms being incorporated in the plans Simon Downing replied that there were 2 rooms being set aside, but were shown on the plans as storage rooms at the moment.

0308.21 Allotments: Tim Phillipson asked for a letter to be sent to the PCC and/or the Church Commissioners to inquire about the land off Vicarage Lane, however more information is required prior to this being actioned.

0308.22 Web Sites: Tom Parr reported that a CD with the photographs of Old Little Eaton was now with Park Hall Designs and had been put on the Web Site, he had enquiries from as far away as Essex for a copy of the CD.

Tom Parr was to ask Park Hall Designs to place an appeal for help for carnival day on the Web Site.

0308.23 Revised Code of Conduct: The Code of Conduct Advert had been place in the Belper News and Simon Downing reported that no one had contacted him regarding this matter, this will now been removed from the agenda.

0308.24 Letter Head Logo: Bill Hutchison provided pictorial evidence of various designs of the cross keys as denoted on Thomas Bates Gravestone. An overall vote considered the best one and Tom Parr is to make a permanent letterhead and forward it to the Clerk.

0308.25 Items for next Agenda:

There being no other business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.30 pm.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday 23 April at 7.30 pm.

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Date:

Chairman