

# EVERTON PARISH COUNCIL

## **Minutes of a Meeting of the Council held in the Metcalf Tea Rooms on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July, 2008**

**Present:** Councillors J. Dunn, Chairman. Councillors Bacon, Bardsley, de Bel, Ferrar, Jefferies, Maclagan and Martin, together with District Councillor Simpson

### **08/09/73 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillors Bardsley, de Bel and Jefferies declared personal interests at agenda item 10 (NEBF Reports), being members of North East Bassetlaw Forum.

### **08/09/74 MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

The Minutes of a meeting of the Council, held on 2<sup>nd</sup> June, 2008, were approved as a correct record.

### **08/09/75 MATTERS ARISING**

There were no matters arising from the Minutes.

### **08/09/76 PUBLIC DISCUSSION**

There were no members of the public present.

### **08/09/77 ACCOUNTS**

Resolved: That the July Accounts be approved for payment.

### **08/09/78 BANK RECONCILIATION**

Members received the bank reconciliation statement to 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2008, which showed a balance of £11,448.82 (after deduction of unrepresented cheques of £342.50).

### **08/09/79 BUDGET MONITORING**

The Clerk submitted the July budget monitoring statement.

**08/09/80      AUDIT OF THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH, 2008**

The Internal Auditor's Report was submitted, stating that the Parish Council's internal checking and control systems in place were effective. In particular, the Parish Council was very conscious of its responsibilities regarding risk management.

The only additional check suggested was that invoices/vouchers be initialled by the two Members signing cheques.

Resolved:      That the Internal Auditor's Report be received, and the recommended additional check be implemented.

**08/09/81      NORTH EAST BASSETLAW FORUM**

Councillor Jefferies submitted a report of the meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> June, 2008. The main points discussed were as follows:

- Councillors Brand and Bardsley were re-elected Chairman and Vice-Chairman respectively
- The forthcoming Bassetlaw Arts Festival
- Community Car Scheme
- Building Better Communities Scheme
- The provision of flower containers in parishes by the District Council
- Manton pilot area for neighbourhood charters

Councillor Bardsley added that Communications were also discussed. In this regard, he referred to Minute No. 08/09412 of April, 2008 (Consultation), and reported that he had received a letter from the Leader of the County Council, Councillor Kirkham, apologising for the delay in responding, and promising an early, full response. Nothing more had been heard, and Councillor Bardsley would pursue the matter.

The minutes of the meeting would be circulated when received.

**08/09/82      RISK REVIEW AND ASSET INSPECTION**

There were no matters to report. The Clerk would, however, enquire as to whether the Mattersey Road bus shelter required a 'No Smoking' sticker.

**08/09/83      SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUP AND POLICING GENERALLY**

The minutes of the meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> July, 2008 were submitted.

Councillor Maclagan explained that he did not attend the meeting because he understood that (although not included in the minutes of the previous meeting) the meeting was to be dedicated solely to motorcycle problems at Beckingham.

District Councillor Simpson expanded on various points from the meeting, in particular the excellent news that the County Council was to assess the Beckingham bypass with a view to provision of static speed cameras. She also drew attention to the fact that, now that the Group had had a success with speeding issues, Parish Councils were asked to identify a new priority issue for discussion at the next meeting. Councillor Maclagan expressed the view that the speeding problem was not resolved.

Resolved: That the question of a new priority issue be discussed at the September meeting.

**08/09/84      EVERTON AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECT**

Members agreed that this matter should be discussed later in the meeting in the absence of the press and public.

**08/09/85      PARISH PATHS PARTNERSHIP**

The Clerk reported receipt of an email from Ms. Laura Summers, Rights of Way Officer at the County Council, following her meeting with Councillor Dunn regarding proposed repairs to bridleway 4. Her view was that the damage was caused by agricultural traffic, and she was making further enquiries.

She also inspected footpath No. 23, and found that several trees had fallen on to it. She had been in touch with the landowner regarding removal of the trees.

Councillor Dunn reported that he was waiting to hear from Ms. Summers with an update on bridleway 4.

**08/09/86      TUNNEL TECH NORTH**

Councillor Bardsley reported that he had heard nothing further from Mr. Simon Middlebrook, Managing Director of Tunnel Tech North Ltd.

**08/09/87      BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION**

Letter was submitted from Nottinghamshire CPRE, explaining that Everton had not reached the final round of the competition, but that standards had been very high throughout Category C. Untidy gardens were the main reason given for Everton's lack of progress in the competition.

Members observed, nevertheless, that the village was looking very good, and that the new flowerbed was a very attractive feature. Discussion took place about the condition of the verge outside Northfield Farmstead and associated parking issues.

Resolved: That the Clerk request a site meeting with County Highways.

**08/09/88 ROBIN HOOD AIRPORT**

An email was submitted from Mr. J. Proudman, Bassetlaw Environmental Health, stating that he attended a meeting of the Airport Noise Monitoring Sub-Committee on 24<sup>th</sup> June, 2008, when he raised the issue of complaints about nuisance from training aircraft carrying out circuits. Ms. C. Wilson, Environment Manager at the Airport, agreed to furnish Mr. Proudman with her comments, which were awaited.

However, Mr. Proudman's understanding was that training flights were allowed under the planning permission, and that the Airport had adopted additional measures over and above the planning permission, to minimise disturbance (limiting the number of hours that training could take place), and now had a Track Monitoring System which would show if aircraft were not following the agreed Noise Preferential Routes.

The Clerk reported receipt of the Decision Notice on the application for Controlled Airspace, which had largely been approved. He would circulate copies of the document to Members.

Councillor Martin reported that noise from training flights that day had been very bad indeed.

**08/09/89 STANDING ORDERS**

The Clerk submitted a set of amended Standing Orders, produced in order to reflect the adoption of the 2007 Code of Conduct.

Resolved: That the amended Standing Orders be approved.

**08/09/90 SCHOOL CROSSING POINT**

Councillors Bardsley and Maclagan submitted a report on the long-postponed meeting regarding the above, when the following had been agreed with the County Council representatives present:

- A pedestrian "crossing point" should be established (where the existing kerb outside the school was already dropped). This would consist of installing a dropped kerb on the opposite side of the road and knobbled paving on both sides.
- Provision of "slow" signs on the road surface on curves at either side of the school.

The Highways officials indicated that there were budgetary constraints, but the changes should take place either this or next financial year.

A number of other possibilities were discussed, including a voluntary one way system at peak hours, more communication with parents and a "park and stride" scheme. It was agreed that these initiatives (and any others) should be considered by a school "steering group" involving the school, community and Highways. This should be established when school resumed in September.

**08/09/91 FLOOD FAIR**

Councillor Bardsley submitted a report on the Flood Fair held at Sturton le Steeple on 12<sup>th</sup> July, 2008. The main thing to report was that Mr. J. Bowler, of the District Council, had logged the problems experienced at Everton, and was available to meet the Parish Council in due course.

**08/09/92 DONATIONS**

- (a) A letter of thanks was submitted from Five Villages First Responders.
- (b) Requests for financial assistance were submitted from Bassetlaw Citizens Advice Bureau, SAFE@LAST and Vitalise.

Resolved:

- (i) That a donation of £40 be made to Bassetlaw Citizens Advice Bureau.
- (ii) That no action be taken in respect of the applications from SAFE@LAST and Vitalise.

**08/09/93 QUALITY COUNCILS**

The Clerk reported that changes were being made to the Quality Councils Scheme. He would submit details to the next meeting.

**08/09/94 LOCAL COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT FUND**

The Clerk reported that he still awaited firm information from the Primary School regarding the proposed grant application.

**08/09/95 COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH**

The Clerk reported that he had written to the Chief Constable, and was awaiting a reply.

**08/09/96 BUNGALOWS AT CARR VIEW AND HIGH STREET, EVERTON**

Pursuant to Minute No. 08/09/61 of June, 2008, a letter was submitted from A1 Housing Bassetlaw Ltd., in response to the Parish Council's formal complaint over the failure of the company to maintain its property in a satisfactory condition.

The letter stated that the company had a five-year cyclical painting programme covering the whole district. However, this was temporarily suspended with the advent of the Decent Homes initiative. A revised painting programme was devised to follow the Decent Homes programme, enabling efficiencies to be made.

In the original cyclical programme, Everton properties were due to be painted in 2008/09. Quotations were now being sought to have the works carried out.

Councillor Martin observed that tenants of the properties concerned had been upset by a press report of the matter. The Clerk informed Members that, at the request of Councillor Dunn, he had written to every tenant, assuring them that the Parish Council's concern was with the failure to maintain by the company, and did not reflect on the tenants in any way.

Resolved: That the letter from the company be accepted, but it be informed that it was evident that a five-year cyclical programme was too long.

**08/09/97 NOTTINGHAMSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS – ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – EPPERSTONE – WEDNESDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2008.**

Notification was received of the above.

**08/09/98 PARISH PLAN**

The Clerk reported that Rural Community Action Nottinghamshire (RCAN) was conducting a review of progress on parish plans. Councillor Bardsley had prepared a draft response, which was submitted for approval.

Resolved: That the response be approved, subject to some minor alterations suggested by Cllr. Bardsley.

**08/09/99 PLANNING APPLICATION**

**19/08/15**

Mr. W. McDonald

Erect conservatory at Willow Cottage, 8 The Willows, Everton

Resolved: That no adverse comment be made.

**08/09/100 PLANNING DETERMINATIONS**

**19/08/6**

Mrs. K. Chapman

Demolition of existing cottage and outbuildings and erect detached dwelling with garage and two semi-detached dwellings with detached garage block, alterations to existing access/formation of new driveway at The Cottage and adjoining land, High Street, Everton

Permission Granted

**19/08/10T**

Mr. A. McDonald

Remove 2 red maple trees and 5 pine trees at Corner House, The Willows, Everton

The Clerk would enquire why 5 pine trees were included in the decision notice when they were not referred to in the planning application.

**19/08/11**

Mr. L. Mills

Erect two-storey extension at Orchard View, Gainsborough Road, Everton

Permission Granted

**19/08/15**

Metcalf Charitable Trust

Remove 4 windows, relocate 1 window and install 6 replacement windows at Everton Village Hall

Permission Granted

**08/09/101 PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960**

Resolved: That, in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the public be excluded, and they are requested to withdraw.

**08/09/102 EVERTON AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECT**

Councillor Bardsley gave an update regarding negotiations between Acis Group Ltd. and potential vendors of land. A further potential vendor had come forward since the last meeting.

Resolved: That Acis Group Ltd. be requested to include the new potential vendor in the negotiations.

