

EVERTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council held in the Village Hall on Monday 5th October, 2009

Present: Councillor D. J. Bardsley, Chairman. Councillors Bacon, de Bel, Dunn, Ferrar, Maclagan and Woods

09/10/121 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were submitted by Councillors Jefferies, MBE (holiday) and Martin (holiday).

09/10/122 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Bardsley declared a personal interest at agenda item 11 (NEBF), being a member of the North East Bassetlaw Forum.

09/10/123 MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

The Minutes of a meeting of the Council, held on 7th September, 2009, were approved as a correct record, subject to an amendment at Minute No. 09/10/96(d) to substitute the words “Mrs. W. M. Moody” for “the Blacksmiths Arms”.

09/10/124 MATTERS ARISING

- (a) The Clerk referred to Minute No. 09/10/95(b) (Highway Matters), and confirmed that a give way triangle would be provided by the County Council at the junction of Chapel Lane and Ferry Lane shortly.
- (b) The Clerk referred to Minute No. 09/10/95(c) (Highway Matters) and confirmed that the County Council had promised to carry out further work to one of the verges at Northfield Farmstead as a matter of urgency.
- (c) Councillor Bardsley referred to Minute No. 09/10/103 (Parish Emergency Plan), and reported that, following publication of a leaflet regarding Swine Flu, 12 residents had volunteered to assist other residents in contacting flu lines, collecting medicines, etc.

09/10/125 PUBLIC DISCUSSION

A resident referred to the following:

- (a) Concerns about the continuing awful smell from Tunneltech North Ltd.

Councillor Bardsley explained that the Parish Council had been in further contact recently about this unacceptable situation, and had been informed that the problem was that the new system was not yet working correctly. The company was endeavouring to resolve the problem.

- (b) Funding for playground improvements. Unfortunately the bid for grant under the Children's Playbuilder Scheme had been unsuccessful.

Members agreed that every effort would be made to assist the Metcalfe Recreation Committee in securing funding for new play equipment.

- (c) The dog-fouling problem, which was worsening.

The Clerk would request the District Council to renew the dog fouling notices, and to provide a replacement notice at the junction of the A631 and Harwell Road.

09/10/126 ACCOUNTS

Resolved: That the October Accounts be approved for payment.

09/10/127 BANK RECONCILIATION

Members received the bank reconciliation statement to 31st August, 2009, which showed a balance of £10,548.08.

09/10/128 BUDGET MONITORING

The Clerk submitted the October budget monitoring statement.

09/10/129 RISK REVIEW, ASSET INSPECTION AND HIGHWAY MATTERS

Councillor Bacon reported that there was a road safety problem at Chapel Lane, where one particular stretch was covered in crushed horse chestnuts, which would become dangerous following forecast overnight rain.

The Clerk would request the District Council to clean the relevant area.

09/10/130 CPRE NOTTINGHAMSHIRE BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION

The Clerk reported that Mr. John Mann, MP had kindly offered to perform the official ceremony of the unveiling of the winner's sign on 7th November, 2009. Several other dignitaries had confirmed their attendance, including the Chairmen of the County and District Councils.

The Clerk would endeavour to obtain contact details of Retford Young Farmers, who were to install the winner's sign.

09/10/131 NORTH EAST BASSETLAW FORUM

Councillor Bardsley submitted a report of the above meeting. The main points considered were:

- A presentation on the Local Development Framework by Mr. Richard Schofield, of Bassetlaw Planning Department.
- The commitment of funding by the Forum towards the planned Energy Saving and Sustainability Fayre.
- A decision that all Forum parishes would endeavour to enter into highway consultation schemes, following the precedent set by Everton Parish Council and recently followed by Misterton Parish Council.
- The continuing problem of disposal of waste for recycling.

09/10/132 PARISH PATHS PARTNERSHIP

The Clerk confirmed that the new 'No Parking' sign had been received, and he would arrange for Middlebridge Construction to fit it.

09/10/133 TUNNELTECH NORTH LTD.

This matter was dealt with earlier in the meeting.

09/10/134 ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND SUSTAINABILITY

- (a) Councillor Bardsley reported that he and the Clerk were shortly to meet Ms. Kerry Ellis, of the District Council, to progress arrangements for the Energy Saving and Sustainability Fayre. Councillor de Bel reported on discussions she was having with Blue Skies regarding a possible poster competition, etc. in association with the Fayre.
- (b) Reference was made to 'green' initiatives at Holy Trinity Church.

09/10/135 LOCAL HEALTH SERVICES

Pursuant to Minute No. 09/10/114 of September, 2009, consideration was given to a letter from Bassetlaw Primary Care Trust, providing a review of the recent Health Fayre, and suggesting a possible meeting.

Resolved: That the Clerk endeavour to arrange a meeting between himself, Councillor Bardsley and Trust representatives.

09/10/136 AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Pursuant to Minute No. 09/10/105 of September, 2009, Councillor Bardsley reported that the matter was now with the Board of Acis Group Ltd.

09/10/137 HARWELL/SCAFTWORTH WOODS

Thornely Taylor Estates Company had confirmed their approval for a sign to be displayed on Pasture Lane relating to cycling and motorcycling in Harwell Woods. A sign had been manufactured, and Middlebridge Construction would be requested to fit it.

09/10/138 TRAINING

The Clerk reported that he had recently attended a NALC Quality Clerks lunch in Nottingham, where the two key issues discussed were the potential 20% funding costs facing local authorities and the continuing problem of bullying of staff.

09/10/139 WASTE RECYCLING

There was nothing to report, other than an email from County/District Councillor Yates confirming that she remained in correspondence with County Council officers.

09/10/140 COMMUNITY SPEED WATCH

Pursuant to Minute No. 09/10/110 of September, 2009, the Clerk reported that there had been no response to the article in HEDS Together inviting people to volunteer for Community Speed Watch duties.

Resolved: That a further article be placed in HEDS Together, indicating that, unless a sufficient number of volunteers came forward by 30th November, 2009, no further action would be taken with regard to Community Speed Watch.

09/10/141 LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK: CORE STRATEGY &

DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT POLICIES & OPTIONS CONSULTATION

Councillor Bardsley reported that he had attended a recent community consultation event. He proposed that, because of the long-term importance of the above, it would be helpful if Mr. Richard Schofield, of Bassetlaw Planning Department, could attend a Parish Council workshop on the subject.

Resolved: That the Clerk endeavour to arrange a workshop for all Members.

09/10/142 DEVELOPMENT TO THE SOUTH OF BAWTRY ROAD

Councillor Bardsley reported that a resident had drawn attention to a security-fenced compound to the south of the A631 Bawtry Road. The fencing was more than two metres in height, and the Clerk had referred the matter to the District Council Planning Department.

09/10/143 POLICE CHASE

Concern was expressed about a police car chase through Everton the previous Friday, at about 3.45 pm, when damage had occurred to people and property, including vehicles.

Resolved: That the Clerk make enquiries about the matter, which was of concern, particularly as young children were leaving school at the time.

09/10/144 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

There were no planning applications.

09/10/145 PLANNING DETERMINATIONS

19/06/14

Mr. & Mrs. Anderson

Conversion of barn into a single dwelling at Pear Tree Farm, Gainsborough Road, Everton

Permission Granted

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Mr. P. McDonald

Demolition of bungalow and erection of two dwellings at Glebe Lodge, Everton Sluice Lane, Everton – resubmission of 19/09/09

Permission Granted

19/09/17

Mr. & Mrs. R. Metcalfe

Residential development on land east of The Manor House, Harwell Sluice Lane, Harwell

Permission Granted

Councillor Bardsley reported that, along with a resident representative and District Councillor Simpson, he had unsuccessfully spoken against this application at the Planning Committee the previous week.

09/10/146

THE SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES ACT

Resolved: That a donation of £10 be made to Local Works, to support its work in promoting the above.