

EVERTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council held in the Village Hall on Monday 6th July, 2009

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

09/10/58 COUNCILLOR ELIZABETH M. JEFFERIES MBE

Councillor Bardsley reported the excellent news that Councillor Jefferies had been awarded the MBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours List, for services to the Everton area.

Members and the Clerk joined in congratulating Councillor Jefferies on her award.

09/10/59 COUNTY COUNCIL ELECTIONS

The Clerk reported that Councillor Elizabeth Yates was elected Councillor for the Misterton Electoral Division on 4th June, 2009. Although the Electoral Division comprised a large number of parishes, Councillor Yates intended to attend a meeting of every parish council in due course.

Resolved: That a letter be sent to Councillor Yates, congratulating her on her election.

09/10/60 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors Bardsley, de Bel and Jefferies MBE each declared a personal interest at agenda item 13 (North East Bassetlaw Forum), being members of the Forum.

09/10/61 MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

The Minutes of a meeting of the Council, held on 1st June, 2009, were approved as a correct record, subject to an addition to include apologies submitted.

09/10/62 MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising from the Minutes.

09/10/63 PUBLIC DISCUSSION

There were no members of the public present.

09/10/64 ACCOUNTS

Resolved: That the July Accounts be approved for payment.

09/10/65 BANK RECONCILIATION

Members received the bank reconciliation statement to 31st May, 2009, which showed a balance of £12,701.44.

09/10/66 BUDGET MONITORING

The Clerk submitted the July budget monitoring statement.

09/10/67 AUDIT OF THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2009

The Internal Auditor's Report was submitted, stating that the Parish Council's internal checking and control systems in place were effective, and that it was very conscious of its responsibilities regarding risk management. The records and accounts maintained were kept to a high standard and in good order. There were no matters which needed to be brought to the attention of the Parish Council.

Resolved: That the Internal Auditor's Report be received.

09/10/68 RISK REVIEW AND ASSET INSPECTION

(a) Councillor Martin reported that P.c. Roe had submitted an apology for not attending the meeting, owing to another commitment, but had reported to her that she had had discussions with the management of the Sun Inn regarding the parking problem on the A631. The Clerk reported that he was awaiting a report from the County Council Highways Department on the matter.

(b) A discussion took place on highway maintenance priorities.

Resolved: That priorities for 2009/10 be as follows:

Priority 1: The footway on the west side of Mattersey Road, from the junction with Eel Pool Road to Mattersey. This was a very well used footway and was currently dangerous (near the River Idle, where it was falling away) and difficult to negotiate due to vegetation encroachment, particularly with push chairs, prams, etc.

Priority 2: Long Meadows - carriageway and footway

Priority 3: Maintenance work to the footway on the A631 from Everton

to Scaftworth. The request for a combined footway/cycleway to remain as a separate bid in the Local Transport Plan.

Non priority routine maintenance as follows:

In a number of places gullies had developed between the road surface and the kerb. The worst examples of these were on the junction of High Street and Church Street (south side along the boundary of the bungalow on the corner opposite the village hall) and also along Brewery Lane (south side).

There were two areas where the pavements had de-graded, allowing vegetation to grow up through the asphalt. One was at the junction of Carr View and High street, opposite the notice board and one, to a lesser extent, at the junction between High Street and Pine Close (south side).

- (c) Letter was submitted from Nottinghamshire CPRE confirming that Everton had reached the second round of the Best Kept Village Competition. Agreement was reached on a number of matters requiring attention in connection with the Parish Council's entry.

09/10/09 NORTH EAST BASSETLAW FORUM

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

- A presentation by Mr. R. Schofield, Bassetlaw Planning Department, on the emerging Local Development Framework, with consultation beginning in September.
- A presentation by Mr. Schofield and Mr. G. Jackson, Bassetlaw Housing Department, on affordable housing, arising out of which a meeting between the two officers, Councillor Bardsley and the Clerk was scheduled for 28th July, 2009, the intention being to pursue further the affordable housing issue in Everton. Councillor de Bel kindly offered to also attend the meeting.
- A discussion on the inadequacies of Retford Household Waste and Recycling site.
- A presentation by Councillor Bardsley on his attendance at the Aylesbury 'Green Matters' conference, which would be repeated at the Parish Councils Liaison Group, plus reference to the 'Green Fayre' at Everton currently in the planning stage, and which would in effect become an NEBF event.
- Service level agreements with the Police, including a commitment for the Police to attend every parish council meeting.

- Crime – perceptions and statistics. Whilst discussing this issue, Councillor Martin gave details of crime details given to her by P.c. Roe.

09/10/70 UNITED CHARITIES

Resolved:

- That Norma Charles be reappointed trustee for the period to May, 2012.
- That consideration relating to the remaining vacancy be deferred to the next meeting.

09/10/71 PARISH PATHS PARTNERSHIP

- Letter was submitted from the County Council regarding the longstanding application to create a public footpath at Old Mattersey Road.

Resolved: That the Clerk write to the County Council to seek clarification on a legal aspect of the matter.

- Pursuant to Minute No. 08/09/338(b) of April, 2009, Councillor Dunn reported that it had not been possible to establish ownership of the land crossed by the route joining Toft Hill (bridleway 8) and footpath 7a along the Barrier Bank.

Resolved: That, subject to further research, the Clerk write an article for HEDS Together, inviting residents to furnish evidence of over 20 years' usage of the route as of right, with a view to an application being submitted to the County Council for a permissive bridleway.

09/10/72 TUNNELTECH NORTH LTD.

Arrangements were made for attendance by Members at an event to mark completion of the current works at the above premises.

09/10/73 ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND SUSTAINABILITY

The Clerk reported that he was to attend a meeting at Worksop on 15th July, 2009 with representatives of the District Council and the Energy Saving Trust, to pursue the promotion of a 'green' fayre in Everton.

09/10/74 HARWELL/SCAFTWORTH WOODS

Pursuant to Minute No. 09/10/53 of June, 2009, the Clerk reported that he was awaiting a reply from Natural England regarding advice on the rabbit problem in the SSSI.

Delivery of the replacement Pinfold Lane gate was still awaited, but the new sign had arrived.

Consideration was given to the possibility of further signage, and Councillor Bardsley would meet the Clerk on site in due course.

09/10/75 PARISH EMERGENCY PLAN

Confirmation was given that the meeting of the working group would take place on 27th July, 2009.

09/10/76 TRAINING

Councillor Martin congratulated the Clerk confirmed on passing the Power of Wellbeing module within the Certificate in Local Council Administration. Other Members concurred.

09/10/77 PARISH GRANT SCHEME AND CHILDREN'S PLAY BUILDER SCHEME

Correspondence was submitted from the District Council regarding the availability of grant aid under the two above schemes.

Resolved:

- (a) That, subject to clarification of certain points, the Parish Council support grant applications by the Metcalfe Recreation Committee for funding for its play equipment project.
- (b) That the Clerk, in consultation with Members, be authorised to agree a donation by the Parish Council as match funding.

09/10/78 SHERWOOD FORESTERS WESTERN FRONT MEMORIAL

Members noted an invitation to attend the unveiling of the above, at Ypres, on 24th October, 2009.

09/10/79 RETFORD HOUSEHOLD WASTE RECYCLING SCHEME

Letter was submitted from the County Council, stating that the County Council was currently working diligently to progress improvements at the above site as a matter of priority. Users were not allowed to walk into the site owing to health and safety requirements.

The Clerk also reported that, pursuant to minute No. 09/10/ of June, 2009, he had requested District Councillor Simpson to lobby for extension of the Bassetlaw Bulk Refuse Collection Scheme to Everton.

Resolved: That a copy of the County Council's letter be sent to County Councillor Yates, and she be informed of the Parish Council's great concern over this matter and its support for the stance taken by the North East Bassetlaw Forum.

09/10/80 COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH

Email correspondence from Beckingham-cum-Saundby Parish Council and Mattersey Parish Council was considered.

Councillor Maclagan would now finalise the proposed procedure to be adopted by the Parish Council should Community Speedwatch be supported in the village, for submission for an opinion to the Parish Council's insurers.

09/10/81 DRAFT STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Letter was submitted from the District Council, seeing views on the above consultation document.

Resolved: That the District Council be informed that it seemed odd that, whilst the Regional Plan Partial Review consultation document, out to consultation until 6th October, 2009, set the framework for the Statement of Community Involvement, there was no reference in the Draft Statement of Community Involvement to the former document – particularly odd as the latter document closed for consultation on 31st July, 2009.

09/10/82 LOCAL HEALTH SERVICES

Letter was submitted from Bassetlaw Primary Care Trust, stating that questions relating to health service provision in Everton were under review whilst the feedback from the recent health fayre was being assessed. The matter was also under discussion between the Primary Care Trust and District Councillor A. Simpson.

09/10/83 PLANNING APPLICATIONS – DELEGATION OF POWERS

Resolved: That a power be delegated to the Clerk, authorising him to respond to non-contentious planning applications, in consultation with Members, when the Bassetlaw response period fell outside the Parish Council meeting cycle.

09/10/84 JACK B ELL MEMORIAL SEAT

Pursuant to Minute No. 08/10/47(a) of June, 2009, the Clerk was asked to contact Mr. B. Cooper, to ascertain the views of North Nottinghamshire Lions on the proposal to replace the above seat.

09/10/85 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

19/09/11

Mr. A. Rooksby

Demolish flat-roofed extension and erect pitched-roof extension, erect orangery and convert garage into en-suites at The Haywayne, Pasture Lane, Harwell

Resolved: That no adverse comment be made.

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Mr. S. Rodgers

Erect single storey extension at Mill Cottage, Mattersey Road, Everton

Resolved: That no adverse comment be made.

09/10/86 PLANNING DETERMINATIONS

19/09/10

Mr. S. Campbell

Demolish tool shed and erect replacement and demolish garden shed and erect studio with mezzanine first floor at Dalric, Nutcroft Way, Harwell

Permission Granted