

Duffield Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council, held in the Committee Room, Hazelwood Road, Duffield on Tuesday 10th May 2005 at 7.15pm

Present: Chairman: Councillor N G Storer

Councillors: Buckle, England, Knibbs, Rice, Sartin, A Woodings and B Woodings

Also in attendance: Mr D R Bostock – Parish Clerk & R F O
Mrs S Bygraves – Assistant Parish Clerk & Treasurer
Mr John Farrow and Mr Paul Stevenson (part)

Apologies for absence were received from: Councillor Carmichael-Smith, Fletcher, Hibbert and Rowlands.

063/05 Public Participation

The Chairman suspended Standing Orders in order for Mr John Farrow and Mr Paul Stevenson to address the meeting.

Local residents, Mr John Farrow and Mr Paul Stevenson advised members that they would be attending the meeting with Miller Homes on Friday 13 May 2005 at 2pm. Mr Stevenson circulated to members a copy of a letter he had recently sent to Mr David Brooks at the Borough Council, regarding the future ownership of the Open Space land, which is situated in the flood plain.

Councillor A Woodings advised those present that the future of the open space land will be decided by Miller Homes, who can choose to retain the land or transfer it to the Borough Council.

At this point the Chairman reinstated Standing Orders for the remainder of the meeting.

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Arising from minute 039/05 resolution b), the Assistant Clerk confirmed that Mr D Brooks the Borough Council's Development Services Manager was investigating the ownership of the Orchard adjacent to Gray Recreation Ground.

Arising from minute 045/05 resolution a), the Assistant Clerk confirmed that she had written to the County Council regarding the area in front of the shops on Meadow Vale.

Arising from minute 045/05 resolution b), the Assistant Clerk asked if the Council wished to renew their membership of the CPRE.

Arising from minute 054/05, members confirmed that the Complaints Committee made up of the F & G P Committee, would meet at 7.00pm on Tuesday 24 May 2005 to hear the complaint raised by Mr K Wharam, regarding the new football pitch on Eyes Meadow.

Resolved:

a) that the minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 12 April 2005, be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

b) that the Parish Council terminate their membership of the CPRE.

065/05 Planning and Licensing Matters

Members noted the Planning and Licensing Matters circulated as detailed on the agenda. Furthermore they made the following decisions on current applications:

AVA/2005/0477 – Listed Building Consent: Replacement/repairs to windows at 157 Derby Road, Duffield for Mrs P J Kell, of the same address (No Representations).

AVA/2005/0481 – Replacement of Detached House (Outline), at 107 Wirksworth Road, Duffield for Mr & Mrs D C Barry of Stonebroom (No Representations).

066/05 Clerk's Report

Correspondence was tabled and received in accordance with Appendix "B"

Further to item 1, the Clerk reported that there had been 14 crimes reported during **February**: five for theft, four for burglary, three for theft from vehicles and two for criminal damage. He also confirmed that the crime figures for both Belper and Kilburn, were 31 and 9 respectively, during the same period.

He also reported that there had been 6 crimes reported during **March**: two for theft, two for theft from vehicles, one vehicle theft and one vehicle damage. He also confirmed that the crime figures for both Belper and Kilburn, were 50 and 8 respectively, during the same period.

Further to item 2, the Clerk advised members that there were no references to Duffield in the Belper & District Road Safety Minutes of 9 March 2005, and placed the document on the table.

Further to item 3, the Clerk advised members that the new Lincolnshire Parish Council Insurance Scheme was not suitable for the Council's needs, as it was only suitable for Small Parish Councils. He further reported the detail of the insurance premium demand Allianz Cornhill Insurance plc for the coming year in the sum of £2,918.72.

Further to item 5, the Clerk reported on a letter from the Borough Council regarding the future maintenance, provision and filling of Grit Bins in the Parish.

Further to item 6, the Clerk read out a letter from the County Council confirming that tree works on Footpaths No. 17 and 39 have been added to their ongoing programme of minor works and Tamworth Street has been placed on their surface dressing programme. Members also noted that a pothole had been missed in King Street.

Further to item 7, the Clerk advised members of a Temporary Road Closure on the Duffield Bridge, Makeney Road from 9 to 16 May 2005.

Further to item 9, members noted that the Duffield Community Association had decided not to enter Duffield into the 2005 Derbyshire Village of the Year Competition.

Further to item 10, members noted the invitation to the Ecclesbourne School Open Evenings to be held on 24 & 25 May 2005.

Further to item 11, the Clerk read out a letter from The Ecclesbourne School, arising from the Council's concern that Court House Farm, Golf Lane, Duffield was not in their catchment area even though it was situated within the Parish of Duffield.

Further to item 12, members noted a letter from the Local Labour Party regarding CCTV provision.

Further to item 13, the Clerk circulated members with a copy letter from the Local Labour Party regarding the Council's Complaints Procedure and a further Formal Complaint regarding the Complaints Procedure.

Further to item 14, the Clerk placed the Regional Spatial Strategy Document on the circulation system (No. 03/2005).

Further to item 17, the Clerk placed the Trafalgar Weekend brochure on the circulation system (No. 04/2005).

Further to item 24, the Clerk reported on a Consultation from the Borough Council regarding an Entertainment Licence Application for the Duffield Carnival.

Further to item 26, the Clerk advised members that the County Council had confirmed that the Order and Public Notice had been made, creating the new Public Footpath known as Cockpit Lane (from Town Street to Eyes Meadow), Duffield.

Further to item 27, members noted the content of the minutes of the meeting of the Duffield Millennium Meadow Conservation Trust held on 24 March 2005.

Further to item 28, members confirmed their approval to the applications of the Belper Steam and Vintage Event and the Duffield Community Association in booking Eyes Meadow for the Vintage Event on 11 & 12 June 2005 and the Duffield Carnival Events during the week 21 to 26 June 2005 inclusive.

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Further to item 29, the Clerk circulated an invitation to a World Heritage Site Joint Meeting of relevant Councils on 22 June 2005 at Belper.

Resolved:

- a) that, further to item three above, the Clerk forwards the annual Insurance Renewal Premium to Allianz Cornhill Insurance plc, in the sum of £2,918.72, forthwith.
- b) that, arising from item four above, the Clerk advises the Borough Council that the Parish Council is not interested in carrying out the future provision, maintenance and filling of Grit Bins within the Parish.
- c) that, arising from item six above, the Clerk advises the County Council of the remaining pothole on King Street.
- d) that arising from item eleven above, the Clerk forwards a copy of the letter from Ecclesbourne School regarding admissions policy, to Mr & Mrs Beevers at Court House Farm.
- e) that arising from item thirteen above, the Clerk advises the Duffield Branch of the Labour Party that “after due consideration of a further complaint regarding the Council’s Complaints Procedure from the Duffield Branch of the Labour Party, the elected Parish Council confirmed their intentions to stay with the nationally agreed Complaints Procedure”.
- f) that arising from item twenty four above, the Clerk advises the Borough Council that the Parish Council have no objections to the granting of a Public Entertainment Licence for the Duffield Carnival 2005.
- g) that arising from item twenty nine above, the Clerk and Assistant Clerk represent the Parish Council at the World Heritage Site meeting at St John’s Chapel, The Butts, Belper on 22 June 2005.

067/05 Reports from Outside Bodies

No reports.

068/05 DALC Circulars

Circulars and correspondence received from DALC were tabled and received in accordance with Appendix “C”.

Circular No 14/2005 **General:** the Clerk advised members of corrections and drafting amendments to the Model Contract of Employment & Job Description, shown in Circular 06/2005.

Circular No 15/2005 **General:** the Clerk reported that “Section 137 Expenditure” from 1 April 2005 will equate to £5.30/elector.

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Circular No 16/2005 **Audit Regime for Local Councils Review and Consultation Exercise.**

069/05 Financial Matters

Details of the monthly payments and income to 10 May 2005, having been circulated prior to the meeting, it was:

Resolved: that the Assistant Clerk/Treasurer's tabled monthly list of invoices and payments for May 2005, in the sum of £5,889.62 be initialled and approved, with cheques due signed by members and the Clerk.

070/05 End of Year 2004/05 Accounts

Details of the end of year 2004/05 accounts, were circulated to members prior to the meeting and the Clerk expressed his satisfaction with the carry forward figure of £25,978, which corroborated his £25,000 prediction in the 2005/06 budget proposals.

Resolved: that the Year End Statement of Accounts to 31 March 2005, showing income of £94,655; net expenditure of £92,071; and balances of £25,978 (of which £11,000 is an Ear Marked Reserve for Donald Hawley Way), be received, approved and signed by the Chairman and the Clerk & RFO.

071/05 Parish Council Web Site

Councillor Buckle reported that she was progressing with the Footpaths Page.

072/05 Model Contract of Employment, Job Description and Guide to Good Employment, together with the Minutes of the F & G P Working Group held on 19 April 2005.

The Clerk advised members that they may wish to consider deferring the above matters to the next meeting of the Parish Council, in the absence of the Chairman of the F & G P who has attended the DALC course, relating to these matters.

Resolved: that debate and decisions regarding the above employment matters be deferred to the next Parish Council meeting, which is to be held on 14 June 2005.

073/05 County Court Action

The Clerk reported that along with Councillor Knibbs and the Assistant Clerk, he had attended the Derby County Court today and successfully defended the County Action taken against the Council regarding the Cemetery Pasture and that the Court had also awarded the costs of repairing the Council's boundary fence to the Council.

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074/05 Outstanding Matters

Resolved:

a) that Item No. 3 the Parking Restrictions on Town Street, be taken up with the police at the next meeting.

b) that Item No. 5 the Millennium Banner background information be requested again from the Borough Council.

c) that Item No. 6 the Duffield/Allestree Cycleway project be resurrected with the City and County Councils.

d) that the Clerk speaks to the Borough Council Planners regarding the establishment of a new Funeral Parlour adjacent to a Food Shop on Meadow Vale.

075/05 Date of Next Meeting

Resolved: that the next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Tuesday 14 June 2005 at **7.00pm**, in the Meeting Room on Hazelwood Road, Duffield.

There being no further business to discuss, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.15pm.

Signed _____ Date _____