

Duffield Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Strategy Committee, held, in the Committee Room, Hazelwood Road, Duffield on Tuesday 25th July 2006 at 7.00m.

Present: Chairman: Councillor P Buckle
Councillors: Hibbert, Knibbs, Rowlands, and A Woodings
Advisor: Mr P Baxter

Welcome from the Chairman

- 222 Councillor Pauline Buckle duly appointed Chairman of the Strategy Committee under minute reference 142, welcomed members to the first meeting of the Strategy Committee.

Apologies for Absence

- 223 Apologies for absence were received from Councillors England and Rice

Election of Vice Chairman

- 224 On the proposal of Councillor Richard Knibbs, duly seconded by Councillor John Rowlands, it was unanimously:

Resolved: that Councillor David Hibbert be elected Vice Chairman of the Strategy Committee for the ensuring year.

Terms of Reference

- 225 The Committee reviewed the Terms of Reference adopted by the Parish Council at their June meeting under minute reference 138. Clarification of item 2, to:
“Provide strategic direction to the Parish Council in relation to all Council functions (except those reserved for the Cemetery, Recreational and Finance and General Purposes Committee,) and to monitor their performance within the framework set.”

was discussed. The Committee agreed that the function of the Committee would be to promote the Parish Council externally whilst also supporting enabling Committees as sub groups.

It was further:

- 226 Resolved:** that removal of “in relation to policy” under item 4 and item 6 “Resolve matters of common concern between all committees” should be recommended for removed from the Terms of Reference to the Parish Council.

Goals of the Committee

Following discussion regarding the goals of the Committee it was:

- 227 Resolved:** that the goals of the Committee would be

1. The development of the Parish Council by encouraging greater Community involvement
2. Improvements in Child and Youth Facilities in the village

- 228 Resolved:** that the goals would be achieved through a number of initiatives including

1. Visiting Community groups and Schools as guest speakers giving information as to the functions and powers of the Parish Council.
2. Investigating the creation of a Youth Parish Council in conjunction with Ecclesbourne School
3. Consultation with Community groups, Schools and members of the public on improvements to be made to Grays Recreational Ground.
4. Setting target dates and budgets for improvements at Grays Recreational Ground
5. Supporting the long term and short term development of youth facilities within the village by setting target dates and budgets for the provision of the facilities.

To achieve these initiatives it was

- 229 Resolved:** that the Clerk would:

1. Provide a press release to Duffield Scene requesting that members of the public give ideas for improvements at Grays Recreational Ground.
2. Draft a promotional pack for the Parish Council to be used by members when attending functions as guest speakers.
3. Provide information to members regarding the establishment of a Youth Parish Council.
4. Contact Ecclesbourne School regarding the development of a Youth Parish Council.
5. Contact local primary schools and nursery groups regarding the development of ideas for Grays Recreational Ground.

Criteria for S106 funding

The Clerk confirmed that S106 monies could only be used for capital funding. It was not possible to allocate such funds for revenue expenditure. In determining the allocation of this funding it was:

- 230 Resolved:** that funding would be limited to those initiatives identified in the Parish Plan. A draft set of requirements for the allocation of funding is to be prepared by the Clerk for distribution to members, prior to the next meeting.

The Committee confirmed support to the Parish Plan Youth and Sport Committee Chairman, Mr. Baxter for the youth initiative proposed Eyes Meadow. The offer of a room for a short term youth club at the Kings Head Public House was noted. A request for a business plan detailing both the expected capital and revenue costs of the short term and long term projects was made. Mr Baxter confirmed his intention to contact the owner of the Kings Head and Portacabin to establish some of the costs involved. He noted some problems in establishing contacts at Amber Valley to assist with obtaining information

- 231 Resolved:** that Mr Baxter provide capital and revenue costs for the development of youth facilities at Eyes Meadow and The Kings Head Public House. That Councillor Woodings provide contact details for personnel Amber Valley to assist with this process to Mr. Baxter.
- 232 Resolved:** that the Recreational Committee identify achievable development within a budget of £50,000 at Grays Recreational Ground.

Budgetary Control and Approved Budget and Expenditure to date 2006/07

The Clerk reported budgets and expenditure to date for 2006/07, for the Strategy Committee, as follows:

STRATEGY	Expenditure To date 2006/07	Budget 2006/07	Budget Remaining 2006/07	Committee Expenditure 2006/07
Reorganisation	1707	3000	1293	
Hosting website	0	500	500	450
Staff Training	0	500	500	40
Tractor Shed Roof Repair	0	6250	6250	
Total Expenditure	1,707	10,250	8,543	490

- 233 Resolved:** that the above budgets and expenditure to date for the 2006/07 financial year be noted and that the budget of £6500 for Tractor Shed Roof Repair be transferred to the Recreational Committee.

Date and time of next meeting

- 234 Resolved:** that the next meeting of the Strategy Committee will take place on Tuesday 24th October 2006 at 7.00pm, in the Meeting Room on Hazelwood Road, Duffield.

Signed _____ Date _____