

Duffield Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council, held in the Committee Room, Hazelwood Road, Duffield, on Tuesday 14th October 2008 at 7.00pm

Present: Chairman: A Woodings
Councillors: Buckle, Garner, Greenwood, Hibbert, Knibbs, Rice, and B Woodings

Also in Attendance: Clerk: Mrs. S Bygraves
Belper Road Safety Mr. J Banahan

Prior to the meeting Tim Paisley led those assembled in prayer.

Public Participation

- 1298** Mr Jim Banahan reported to members as the Parish Council's representative on the Belper Road Safety Partnership. He continued to bring issues relating to the safety of roads in Duffield to the attention of authorities through the partnership.

Traffic congestion on King Street continued to be an issue. Derbyshire Highways Authority is currently looking at introducing hatchings outside the nursery to create a passing point, following the precedent set in Church Lane, Belper. Members noted that the continued enforcement of yellow lines on the road would also help ease traffic congestion.

The speed of vehicles entering the village continued to be of concern, particularly along the A6. Concerns were raised at the KINS panel meeting by both Duffield and Milford representatives. Mobile speed cameras could not be located along this stretch of road due to limited parking.

The right turn filter lights at The Broadway on the A6 were to be changed to react to a single vehicle. Their current setting of three or more vehicles was not reacting as required.

Members noted the request from a number of residents for the introduction of a cycle path between Duffield and Derby, and asked that this be raised with the Belper and District Road Safety Partnership.

Members thanked Mr Banahan for his hard work and dedication in representing the Parish Council on the Belper and District Road Safety Partnership. They further

- 1299 Resolved:** that the Clerk write to Derbyshire Police Authority to request additional speed cameras along the A6, and look into the cost of installing an illuminated speed restriction sign at the parish boundary on the A6 coming in from Milford.

Apologies for Absence

- 1300** Apologies were received from Councillors England, Rowlands, Short, Storer and County Councillor Patrick Clark.

Declaration of Members Interest

- 1301** None were declared

Items for Exclusion

- 1302** None were declared

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

- 1303 Resolved:** that the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 9th September 2008 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

Update on Action Plan

An update on the Action Plans for all actions outstanding at 14th October 2008 was given to the meeting and attached in Appendix A

Further to minute item 1283 the Clerk noted that the Parish Council were now on the consultation list for the naming of roads in Duffield. It was

- 1304 Resolved:** that the action plan dated 14th October 2008 be confirmed as a correct record and outstanding items be completed as soon as possible.

Response to the Environment Agency Lower Derwent Flood Defence Strategy Consultation

Further to the distribution of the consultation document, the Clerk noted that the Environment Agency had offered to attend a meeting of the Parish Council to explain the draft strategy in detail.

- 1305 Resolved:** that the Environment Agency be invited to a special meeting to be held on a Tuesday evening to explain the contents of the draft strategy document in greater detail.

Revised Arrangements for the Planning Board

Further to the distribution of an information paper concerning the revised arrangements for the Amber Valley Planning Board, members noted that the main changes involved the increased delegation of decision making powers to officers for uncontested application.

The planning office offered to attend the Parish Council meeting to discuss these changes, and the Clerk confirmed that training in planning and influencing decisions was available to members and details of this had had been previously distributed.

- 1306 Resolved:** that Members wishing to take further training in planning, contact the clerk to arrange attendance to the training offered.

Duffield Parish Council Annual Bonfire and Firework

The Clerk confirmed to members that arrangements for the Annual Bonfire and Firework Display were well underway. Insurance cover for the event had been included in the Parish Council's annual policy. Volunteer groups, including the Air Training Corp 620 squadron, Duffield Community Association, The Scouts network and members of the Fire Service had again agreed to assist with the arrangements for the event. Fireworks had been ordered from Fireworks International as national supplier based in Derby, and pallets were to be supplied by Wirlowdale Limited a company based in Burton. Following feedback from collectors it was recommended that the pricing structure be changed to round pounds, to ease the problem of change. On average there would be no price change for families with 2 children purchasing tickets. Under 5's entry would remain free.

- 1307 Resolved:** that the recommendations regarding the change in pricing be agreed, and that the event continue to be organised in line with activities of the previous year.

Clerks Report and Correspondence

- 1308 Further to Item 1,** members noted the proposed changes by Amber Valley Borough Council to off street parking arrangements in the Borough
- 1309 Further to Item 2,** members noted the request by Amber Valley for feedback on its issues and ideas initiative
- 1310 Further to item 3,** members received information on the "adopt a kiosk" scheme from Amber Valley Borough Council.
- 1311 Further to item 4,** members received the draft greenprint for biodiversity from Erewash Borough Council.

Derbyshire Association of Local Councils

- 1312** All circulars having been previously circulated were received.

Planning and Licensing Matters

- 1313** Members noted the Planning and Licensing Matters as detailed in Appendix 'C' information on which had previously circulated by the clerk. No representations were made.
- 1314 Resolved:** that Ecclesbourne School is approached to be asked to consider painting the container to be installed at Eyes Meadow

Financial Matters

Details of the monthly payments and income to 14th October 2008, having been circulated prior to the meeting, it was:

- 1315 Resolved:** that the Clerk's tabled monthly schedule of accounts for the month to 14th October 2008, in the sum of £10282.05, and be initialled and approved, with cheques due signed by the members and the Clerk.

Details of the quarterly budgetary report including summary to 30th September 2008, having been previously circulated prior to the meeting, it was

- 1316 Resolved:** that the Clerk's tabled quarterly budgetary statement and summary to 30th September 2008, showing actual income of £50,469 and actual expenditure of £42,123 be received, approved and signed by the Chairman and the Clerk.

Security Access to the Parish Office

Further to reports received by the Assistant Clerk it was noted that the area around the Parish Office entrance was being used as a meeting point for youths after dark. There had been no notable damage to the area, and the Clerk had not experienced any difficulty. There was a suggestion that a gate may assist in blocking the site.

- 1317 Resolved:** that the situation be monitored, and that the Clerk use the main entrance for a night exit where possible.

Demolition of Shed at Eyes Meadow

The Clerk confirmed that a demolition date of 3rd November 2008 had been agreed and that all users had been asked to remove their good from the shed by this date. The power and water supply to the shed was to be disconnected as soon as possible. The best quotation for a container had been received from speedy hire at a price of £750.00 which included delivery and an internal security lock.

- 1318 Resolved:** that the purchase of the container from Speed Hire be approved and that users of the shed be asked to remove their good in time for the demolition date.

Date and Time of next meeting

- 1319 Resolved:** that the next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Tuesday 11th November 2008 in the Committee Room, Hazelwood Road, Duffield at 7.00pm.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 8.20pm.

Signed _____ **Dated** _____