

Duffield Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council, held in the Committee Room, Hazelwood Road, Duffield, on Tuesday 11th November 2008 at 7.00pm.

Present: Chairman: A Woodings
Councillors: England, Garner, Greenwood, Hibbert, Rice,
Rowlands, Short and Storer

Also in Attendance: Clerk – Mrs S Bygraves
PCSO Paula Johnson
PC David Stevenson

Prior to the meeting Reverend Mark Pickles led those assembled in prayer.

Public Participation

1352 PCSO Paula Johnson introduced her colleague PC David Stevenson to members. He has joined the Duffield area neighbourhood policing team replacing PC Darren Heithus. The team was currently based in Belper although they continued in their efforts to find an office locally. Inspector Richard Smith was now head of the Amber Valley Section created from the merger of the Alfreton, Ripley and Belper Sections.

PC Stevenson highlighted area of concern for Duffield. Seven incidents of vehicle crime had been reported in the last few weeks, taking place mainly at night. It was agreed that the neighbourhood team would check if the security cameras on Town Street were still operational and feed this back to the Clerk. It was also agreed that PC Stevenson would supply a direct line contact to the Clerk for future communication and where possible pass on information regarding crime figures for dissemination to members.

Members thanked PC Stevenson and PCSO Johnson for their attendance.

Apologies for Absence

1353 Apologies were received from Councillors Buckle, Knibbs, A & B Woodings

Declaration of Members Interests

1354 None were recorded

Items for Exclusion

1355 None were recorded

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

- 1356 Resolved:** that the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 10th October 2008 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman

Update of Action Plan

An update on the Action Plans for all actions outstanding at 11th November 2008 was given to the meeting and attached in Appendix A.

- 1357 Resolved:** that the action plan dated 14th October 2008 be confirmed as a correct record and outstanding items be completed as soon as possible.

Recommendations from the Recreational Committee

Development at Eyes Meadow

Further to discussions at the recreational committee on the development of facilities at Eyes Meadow, two schemes were recommended to members for consideration. The first scheme would be a replacement of the current facilities, and the second include club house facilities. A base cost had been received for the drawing of these schemes from an architectural company, and this information was given to members. It was

- 1358 Resolved:** that two additional quotes be sought for the drawing of the two schemes and this information be fed back to members at the earliest opportunity for further discussion.

Replacement Seat at King Street

Following past discussions, a fixed price of £1047.48 for the supply and installation of a Porto recycled seat for King Street had been received from Derbyshire County Council.

- 1359 Resolved:** that the recommendation to progress this matter be adopted as Council policy

Temporary Licence to Vodafone

Following a review of the licence request submitted to the Recreational Committee, the Clerk confirmed that a review had been completed by Mr J Kelly a contracts manager and recommendations of change or clarity of points had been addressed. Following a site visit, improved fencing had been agreed as had the burial of connecting cables and the supply of electricity. The proposal was for a temporary mobile mast to be placed on the now vacant shed site for a period of six months. A disturbance allowance and rental fee would be paid to the Council for this grant.

- 1360 Resolved:** that the Parish Council approve the application for a licence to locate a mobile mast for a period of six months at Eyes Meadow, and the agreement be signed by the Chairman of the Recreational Committee and the Clerk.

Amendments to Orange mast for site sharing

Further to a letter from Coulson Properties, members were requested to approve a proposed site share arrangement between Orange Limited and Vodafone Limited. The site sharing

arrangements would be as detailed in the contract with Orange Limited and was allowable under the agreement as had previously been researched with the T mobile site sharing agreement.

- 1361 Resolved:** that the Clerk and Recreational Chairman confirm to Coulson Properties the Parish Councils' agreement to the proposed site sharing agreement between Orange Limited and Vodafone Limited for their site at Eyes Meadow, Duffield.

Improvements to Eyes Meadow Car Park

Members identified that the car park at Eyes Meadow had now become virtually unusable due to lack drainage and flooding. There was also significant damage to the stoned area close to the changing rooms as a result of demolition work to the shed.

The investigation into an extension of the stoned car park onto the grass area using recycled rubber matting will result in a significant expenditure, and that quotations for the work would be required before any further recommendations could be made.

Improvements in the short term to the existing stone car parks could be made, and the installation of drainage pipes should also be considered.

- 1362 Resolved:** that quotations are sought for the repair of the stone car park and parking area close to the changing rooms, and the installation of drainage pipes on the stone car park.

Duffield to Derby Cycle Path

Following and approach to the Recreational Committee by Choose Cycling, Duffield Community Association and other cycle groups it was:

- 1363 Resolved:** that Councillor England represent the Parish Council in lobbying for a cycle path to Derby and that the Clerk contact interested groups to set up a forum to enable all groups to work together to ensure a consensus is established on actions to be taken.

Clerks Report and Correspondence

- 1364 Further to Item 1,** a document from the Department of Communities and Local Government on the proposed changes to the Code of Conduct for Local Authority members and Employees was received.
- 1365 Further to Item 2,** members noted the request by Duffield Community Association and Choose Cycling for cycle racks at Meadow Vale and Town Street.
- 1366 Resolved:** that members be sent the website link for consultation document from the Department of Communities and Local Government.
- 1367 Resolved:** that Derbyshire County Council be asked to look at the provision of cycle racks in Duffield

Derbyshire Association of Local Councils

All circulars having been previously circulated it was:

1368 Resolved: that the model publication scheme as prepared and approved by the Information Commissioner be adopted unaltered by Duffield Parish Council and that this information be made public through the Parish Council's newsletter as soon as possible.

1369 Resolved: that the interim salary award for council staff as recommended by the National Association and the Society of Local Council Clerks be implemented with immediate effect.

Planning and Licensing Matters

1370 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.

Financial Matters

Details of the monthly payments and income to 11th November 2008, having been circulated prior to the meeting, it was:

1371 Resolved: that the charge for a licence by Derbyshire County Council for the Millennium Rose Garden at Duffield Library be challenged and payment be withheld. It was further

1372 Resolved: that the Clerk's remaining tabled monthly schedule of accounts for the month to 11th October 2008, in the sum of £10272.05, and be initialled and approved, with cheques due signed by the members and the Clerk..

Demolition of Shed

1373 The clerk reported that this action had now been completed and all debris from the demolition had been removed from the site.

Public Involvement with Duffield Parish Council

The Clerk reported that the Annual Bonfire and Fireworks event had taken place on the 8th November 2008. The event had been very successful with more than 1200 people in attendance. The Fire Service had prepared and let off the display, and the ATC Squadron 620 and Scout Network had built the bonfire and set up the site. They had also been involved in marshalling. The Community Association had manned the gate, and safety was supported by Civil Aid who had brought their Ambulance. Pre ticket sales had been undertaken by Duffield News, Town Street Fish Bar and Meadow Vale Stores. No incidents were reported, although there were concerns about youths crossing the railway line to escape paying the entrance fee.

1374 Resolved: that thank you letters be sent to all parties involved with the event and donations be made to Duffield Fire Service for Team Building of £130.00, ATC Squadron 620 of £120.00, Scout Network of £50.00, and Civil Aid of £70.00. Letters of thanks should also be sent to all the shops involved in the sale of tickets. It was further

1375 Resolved: that the Clerk proceed with the purchase of Christmas trees for the village and make the necessary arrangements for their erection by the Parish Councils' contractors.

Section 106 Funding

1376 Resolved: that the Clerk investigate the current position regarding the availability of s106 funding for Duffield, and any time constraints on its usage.

Date and Time of next meeting

1377 Resolved: that the next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Tuesday 9th December 2008 in the Committee Room, Hazelwood Road, Duffield at 7.00pm.

The meeting closed at 8.45pm.

Signed _____ Date _____