

HILTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 5 FEBRUARY 2003 AT THE COMMUNITY LOUNGE, PERCY WOOD CLOSE.

PRESENT: Cllr Mr E McCreadie (Vice Chairman)(EM) Cllr & District Cllr Mrs R Walton (RW)
Cllr Mr P Hickinbotham (PH) Cllr Mrs A Mottram (AM)
Clerk Mr J Walton (JW) Cllr Mrs L Kolkman (LK)
Cllr Mr D Smith (DS) Cllr Mr D Allen (DA)
Cllr Mrs L Hall (LH) County Cllr Mrs M Littlejohn (ML)
Mr D Woolliscroft (Lengthsman) (DW) Suzanne Harrop (Burton Mail)
5 Members of the public

001/03 APOLOGIES
PC C Fetherston
As a letter of resignation has been received from Cllr Mr J Cumpstone the vice-chairman Cllr Mr E McCreadie chaired the meeting.

002/03 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 11 DECEMBER 2002
The minutes were signed as a true record.

004/03 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES
Clerk:
122/02 Flooding: SDDC clear the roadside gullies on Main Street, Egginton Road, Uttoxeter Road and Derby Road twice a year. The last main road cleaning was in November. Other roadside gullies are cleaned one a year normally in the summer. The gully outside the Conifers was reported as blocked. ML advised that she had the results of an inspection of culverts and all were clear.
134/02 Asked where the bench to be supplied under the 106 agreement for Orchard Close is to be sited – discussed and decision postponed to the next meeting.
122/02 The provision of sandbags: DCC advise that the request form has had to be circulated again due to poor response from other parish councils. Information should be available soon.
133/02 Power cuts: A copy letter to PowerGen has been received from RW. The matter was discussed. The police control room does not have a different number from that in the phone book.
142/02 a response from SDDCs dog warden has been received regarding dogs fouling the Back Lane playing field. She has had no results as yet but will continue to monitor when she can. RW has also been in contact with the dog warden.
62/02 & 125/02 Bus shelters: John Powderly advises that a meeting is required to discuss the parish transport grant. He is still waiting for a reply from Etwall PC regarding this. Funding from DCC will not be available until the next financial year – pending.
134/02 Newsletter: Two responses have been received regarding future editions of the newsletter.
108/02 Following the response to the play equipment questionnaire SDDC advises the PC should have a £5 million indemnity for accidents. Clerk to action.
011/02 Grit bins: SDDC have sited bins at Bloomfield Court and Percy Wood Close. We have been advised it is acceptable for members of the public or the lengthsman to spread the grit without the fear of litigation for negligence if anyone should slip.
Long Standing Items:

Safety rail outside the Talbot – works will be carried out shortly.

Road adoptions: DCC will call in bond monies in an attempt to get roads up to standard for adoption.

Untidy state of the land at the junction of Egginton Road and Peacroft Lane: DCCs legal department will action. ML advised enforcement order had been served on Dec 12 and she will again represent this at DCC.

AM:

127/02: Raised the matter of the incorrect road direction sign on the Hilton Common Link road. JW advised he had not actioned this and will do so.

127/02 asked for a meeting regarding a footway outside the Carlton Day Nursery. PH & AM will attend – clerk to action.

127/02 advised the pub site at Witham Close is again in an untidy condition – clerk to contact SDDCs enforcement officer.

127/02 advised that there is now a 30-mph sign painted on the road at the junction of Egginton Road and the Mease.

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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Standing orders suspended.

The subject of the recent spate of power cuts was discussed. The main causes of concern are that there is not enough capacity to provide for the considerable development and the poor information telephone line. Clerk to write to OFGEM.

ML advised

1. The next DCC area meeting will be held at the Dales Repton on 13 March.

2. The black poplar at Egginton Road will be pruned.

3. Advised about distraction burglaries in the area, but not to be alarmist.

4. Noted Etwall PC was holding up progress on the bus shelter.

A resident of New Road expressed concern about vandalism, dog fouling, security, the safety of an old oak tree and dog fouling caused by youths particularly in the evenings and at weekends at the bund on the Hilton Common Link Road. The subject was discussed, JW advised that PC Fetherston is aware of the problem. ML agreed to try and get a tree preservation order for the oak tree and also for trees on the Persimmon estate.

The condition of the verge at Egginton Road was discussed; it was agreed the clerk writes again to DCC stressing the safety aspect, particularly for children transiting to and from school. The suggestion was made that when the land is cleared the PC takes out a cultivation licence to improve the visual amenity of the area.

Flooding and the new western by pass were discussed. In response to an article in the Derby Telegraph RW advised that she was referring to the old school only in regard to properties being flooded. RW will action with the newspaper.

Discussion on the proposed web site took place. Mr M Bowman agreed to assist with the development of the web and suggested the school may wish to be involved.

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PLANNING APPLICATIONS

9 2002 1329 F The erection of an extension at 6 Calder Close.

9 2002 1145 D The erection of a residential development of 272 houses and 95 apartments at units H15, 16, 17 and 20 at Hilton Depot – re consultation. The above applications have been circulated, a response stating no objections has been sent.

The following application has been withdrawn.

9 2002 0691 F The erection of a 3 meter high palisade fence and the installation of gates at land adjoining HGV Depot at Sutton Lane

9 2003 0007 FH The erection of an extension at 57 Washford Road - no objections.

007/03 PLANNING DECISIONS

9 2002 0776 The erection of a 2.4 meter high security fence at land to the north of Blakelow Farm Sutton Lane – Granted

9 2002 1018 F The retention of a carport at 1 Dove Rise – Granted

9 2002 1126 D The construction of internal distributor roads to the proposed residential development at area H20 at the former MOD Depot - Granted

9 2002 1140 F The erection of extensions at 80 Dale End Road Hilton – Granted

9 2002 1187 F The installation of five 1.3 metre square surface area solar collectors, Two on the front roof slope and three on the rear at Clematis Cottage Willowpit Lane - Granted
Standing orders resumed.

008/03 CORRESPONDENCE

Nathan J Thorpe Information regarding the hiltonvillage.co.uk web site and asking if the PC wishes to use this service?

The Bloomin gardeners Advertisement for land maintenance works

Steven Alton Concern over litter in the village (Forwarded for information from District Cllr Mrs R Walton)

Rambler's Association Advice that PC's will continue to be consulted on planing matters

The above have been received via e-mail

EMDA Invitation to the Enterprising Communities Conference 25 Feb

DCC Road Accidents in Derbyshire: The Casualty Report 2001. This is available via The Web (www.derbyshire.gov.uk). The report does not give statistics of accidents in individual villages

Christmas Cards Have been received from: JMP 2000 Ltd, Boyd Sport & Play, Talbot Farm Landscapes Ltd and Toyota

SDDC Introductory letter for Miss Andrea McCaskie the new legal and democratic services manager and Jeanette Tsoi the new the principal legal officer

C Weston Letter regarding planning application 9 2002 1277 F for extensions at 21 Tinsell Brook

SDDC Heritage News magazine December 2002

DRCC Draft action plan for the Southern Derbyshire Rural Transport Partnership and the parish transport grant – Reply Required

DALC Circular no 32/2002 – General

DCC Information on B_Line- Student discount card

DRCC Rural Matters Magazine Winter 2002

WREN Advice on Funding for conservation and community projects

DCC Greenwatch awards 2003

SDDC Notices for the Etwall Area Meeting – 29 Jan – Displayed

Local Councils Update Free sample copy of a subscription magazine

Clerks & Councils Direct Magazine January 2003

Pick 'n' mix Invitation to a funding information meeting 3 Feb 2003. Reply required for anyone attending

DCC Parish events in the highway 2003/2004 – request for notification

Toyota Invitation to the chairman to attend the football match between Derby County & Rotherham 1 Feb. Due to the resignation of the chairman who thought it not proper to attend and with the agreement of Toyota the places were offered to

other parish councillor's. LH declared a non-financial interest (hospitality) and Mr A Hall and Mr M Moylan attended the match.

Mr K Kirk Request for support to gate Marston Lane between the Church and the Nestle' factory due to vandalism. Letter acknowledged and a copy passed to District Cllr Mrs Walton. No further action was agreed.

Cllr Mr J Cumpstone Letter of resignation from the Parish Council – circulated to all PC members. This matter was discussed. It was with regret that the PC accepted this resignation. RW proposed a vote of thanks for the 20 years plus service that Mr Cumpstone had provided to both the PC and the community as a whole. AM advised she is not happy that Mr Cumpstone remains as the PC's representative on the board of school governors. This could leave the PC open to criticism due to the nature of the complaint against Mr Cumpstone. She declared an interest, as her husband is a school governor. A vote was taken and it was agreed that Mr Cumpstone should not remain as the PC's representative on the board of school governors. LK was appointed to this position. DS Declared a non- prejudicial interest in the matter and regarding the complaint suggested that no further action be taken until further correspondence has been received from the standards board. Mr G Banton was co-opted to become a member of the PC. EM agreed to act as chairman until after the May elections. AM was appointed as the new representative on the Educational Foundation.

SDDC Recommendations and reports of committees for submission to the council at its meeting on 23 January

DALC Circular 01/2003 – Index 2002

DALC Circular 02/2003 – General; There is a requirement to find out if the sports pavilion contains asbestos

DALC Circular 03/2003 – Parish/Town councils elections 2003

DALC Circular 04/2003 – Clerk's training day 22 Feb

DALC Circular 05/2003 – Local council insurance – advice of increase in premiums

DALC Circular 06/2003 – Advice of explanatory meetings for anyone interested in becoming a Councillor – venue and date for South Derbyshire not yet set.

NALC Delegate booking form – quality parish status seminar

DRCC Advice that there will be no village of the year award as the Derbyshire Building Society have withdrawn their sponsorship

DCC SACRE annual report 2001/2002

SDDC Etwall area meeting 29 January Agenda & Reports

ROSPA Playground annual inspection service

SDDC Disability Discrimination Act – The pavilion will need assessing for disabled use – Clerk to obtain further information.

SDDC Notice of a six monthly flood liaison meeting – reply required LK agreed to attend the meeting as the parish council's representative.

Mrs M Hancock Letter regarding cottages on Egginton Road – acknowledged – reply required.

009/03 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

It was agreed the following accounts be paid.

			Cheque no
JMP 2000 Ltd	Newsletters	£405.00	612
The above account has been settled between meetings			
Mr D Woolliscroft	Lengthsman	£432.25	613

Mr G Hall	Groundsman		£308.75	614
Mrs S Smith	Caretaker	£42.25		
	Booking Clerk	£60.00	£102.25	615
Mr J Walton	Clerk	£401.66		
	Expenses	£28.33		
	Back pay	£455.66	£885.65	616
Hilton Village Hall	Office Rent Jan – Jun		£200.00	617
DALC	Publication (Replaces cheque 556)		£19.50	618
Viking Direct	Stationery		£89.18	619
The following accounts have been paid by Direct Debit				
PowerGen	Recreation Ground Supply		£8.50	
PowerGen	Pavilion Supply		£8.00	

010/03 **FURTHER ACTION CONCERNING THE COMPLAINT OF UNFAIR TREATMENT OF THE HILTON PRE SCHOOL GROUP**
Discussion regarding this item took place in correspondence above with regard to the letter of resignation received from Cllr Mr J Cumpstone.

011/03 **EXTRA STREET CLEANING PROVISION**
Due to time constraints this it was agreed to agenda this item for the next meeting. Mr D Woolliscroft agreed to work more hours.

012/03 **THE PROVISION OF A PARISH COUNCIL WEB PAGE**
Was discussed in public participation. The clerk will progress this.

013/03 **CLERK'S, MEMBER'S AND LENGTHMSAN'S REPORTS**
Due to time constraints the following were briefly discussed.
Clerk:
Advised the lock has been broken off the tennis court floodlight switch box and replaced. That the clock has had one face vandalised by a gun or catapult. The quote to renew the glass received from Shire Clocks was accepted.
Advised that PC Fetherston had visited. Items discussed will be brought to the next meeting. LH made the following remarks regarding the local plan draft: -
Etwall Leisure Centre funding
Recycling
School provision
LK declared an interest and expressed concern over the construction of the western link road over the flood plain.

014/03 **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**
There was no other business.

015/03 **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**
The next meeting will be held on 26 February 2003 at the Community Lounge Percy Wood Close commencing at 1945. Plans will be available for inspection at 1930.

The meeting closed at 2203

Pages 192 to 196 signed as a true record

Signed

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Dated 26 February 2003.