

HILTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 22 OCTOBER 2003 AT THE COMMUNITY LOUNGE, PERCY WOOD CLOSE.

PRESENT: Cllr Mr P Hickinbotham (PH) (Chairman) Cllr Mr G Banton (GB)
 Cllr Mrs L Kolkman (LK) Cllr Mrs J Keery (JK)
 Mr D Woolliscroft (Lengthsman) (DW) District Cllr Mrs R Walton (RW)
 Cllr Mr P Edwards (PE) Clerk Mr J Walton (JW)
 County Cllr Mrs M Littlejohn (ML) Mr J Horsfall (Burton Mail)
 Mr Ranjit Banwait (RB) Mr Steve Holm (Derbyshire Drug Project)
 18 Parishioners

- 110/03 APOLOGIES
 Cllr Mr D Smith, District Cllr Mr G Martin who was attending a District meeting, Cllr Mr D Allen and PC Fetherston
 The chairman opened the meeting and welcomed Mr S Holm, District and County Cllrs and the public.
- 111/03 MEMBERS TO DECLARE ANY INTEREST IN MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED
 The clerk declared an interest in planning applications 9 2003 1253 M, 1254 M and 1255 F.
- 112/03 THE CO OPTION OF NEW MEMBERS
 Mr Ranjit Banwait after, consulting the documentation provided at the last meeting, wished to be co-opted. It was Resolved that Mr Banwait be co-opted. The declaration of acceptance of office was signed and Mr Banwait was welcomed to the Council by the chairman.
- 113/03 A PRESENTATION BY MR STEVE HOLM ON DRUG RELATED PROBLEMS
 Standing orders suspended.
 Mr Holm gave an outline of his position as Project Manager for the Derbyshire Drug Mapping Project. He advised the meeting of the objectives and function of the mapping project. This is to analyse incoming information to pass to the Police and Councils enabling them to make improvements in combating the problem of drug use. If the "truth" of an area can be found out then education, enforcement and treatment can be applied in an efficient way.
 Young people are coming forward to pass information. He stated that mobile phones are used extensively by groups to order drugs from City and other dealers, this makes policing difficult as calls from pay as you go phones are difficult to trace.
 He advised that cannabis is a big problem and asked if anyone with any information of any areas used for drugs or users of drugs to let the team know. He stated that the Derbyshire drug detection rate is high in comparison to other forces.
 A question and answer session followed.
 PH thanked Mr Holm who then left the meeting. A vote of thanks was given to LK for inviting Mr Holm.
 Standing Orders Resumed.
- 114/03 MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 24 SEPTEMBER 2003
 The clerk advised the meeting that there was an error in the dates printed on the bottom of each page of the minutes. Despite Mrs Price interrupting the proceedings and objecting to a

statement in

the public participation (minute 097/03) the council agreed that the minutes were correct. The minutes were then accepted as a true record and signed.

115/03

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Clerk:

097/03 & 100/03: Ex MOD football pitches. A letter of thanks has been sent to Mr F McArdle the Chief Executive of SDDC for his presentation at the last meeting.

J Tsoi of the legal department of SDDC has been contacted regarding a "Heads of Terms" for the lease. This document is being prepared. A request to expedite the transfer has been made to our solicitor and a letter received advising of the status so far.

100/03 Low cost housing: RW has contacted Riverside Housing Association and advised SDDC housing dept of the problems. SDDC will contact Riverside Housing and press for a response.

It was resolved that a site meeting should be arranged with SDDC chairing.

100/03 The provision of speed restriction signs for Normandy and Mulberry Ways is being investigated by DCC.

106/03 The hedges at Percy Wood Close and Bloomfield Close will be cut by SDDC housing dept.

106/03 The complaint regarding gutters etc at Field Close has been passed to SDDC for action by DCC.

106/03 Sand to fill the sandbags has been ordered and will probably be delivered on Friday next to Mrs S Brown at the Old School.

PE:

Reported the land at Witham Close has been tidied.

116/03

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Standing orders suspended.

Mrs Price made objections to the proposed dog bin on the footpath between New Road and Derby Road making reference to the mechanical sweeper.

There were members of the public who wanted to make representations regarding planning applications for an egg production unit on land at Willowpit Lane. JW having declared an interest in this matter left the room whilst it was discussed. LK made notes for the minutes.

Resident 1:

Had received a courtesy letter, RW intervened and explained the purpose of the letter.

Stated there is no question that the proposed building is an industrial unit. This will bring additional traffic to the land. Also the lane is too narrow for HGVs. Hoped that if the application were passed that the Parish Council would insist that the road be widened and strengthened for safety.

Stated there is no need for the residential unit. Stated there is a serious risk to land drainage, the ditches on Willowpit Lane are not cared for and hopes if the project goes ahead they will be dealt with.

Hoped the Parish Council would object to the applications.

Resident 2:

Has concerns about lighting; this would be on for 24 hours a day causing light pollution.

Asked the Parish Council to establish how many units this particular applicant has already developed.

Asked if permission was given and the project failed would the site become a brown field site and therefore be able to be built on? Could the Parish Council put in a clause to stop it being

developed in later times?

RW advised she couldn't take part in the discussion due to an interest.

Resident no 3:

Has land next to the proposed site and has concerns about the water table and banks that retain it due to heavy vehicles. Expressed concerned about the public footpath passing by where the buildings are to be sited.

ML:

Stated the Parish Council had to look at vehicle access.

JW returned to the meeting.

There was no further public participation.

117/03 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

9 2003 1167 F Elevational alterations and the formation of a plant area to the rear of the convenience store at 10 Witham Close – no objections.

9 2003 1168 A The display of corporate illuminated signage at the convenience store at 10 Witham Close – no objections.

9 2003 1160 F The erection of a two storey extension and formation of a new access at 59 Main Street. Reason for re consultation: amended description. Note this has been responded to, as there is no change in the plan.

9 2003 1206 F The erection of a conservatory at 65 Back Lane – no objections.

9 2003 1172 F The erection of three retail shop units with A3 use together with two flats above at land at Witham Close. Whilst there are no objections to the shops being built concern was expressed about the loss of possibly four car parking spaces with no provision for alternative parking – clerk to respond accordingly.

9 2003 1202 F The erection of an outer brick skin to existing side walls at 8 Willow Brook Close – no objections.

Cultivation Licence Application – to remove the shrubs on the verge at the southern end of Willowpit Lane – Reply required. It was resolved to object to the removal of the shrubs as this was planted as a buffer zone and provides a wildlife corridor. Comment was made as to why a Wildlife Trust wished to remove trees and shrubs.

As the following three applications had been discussed in public participation and the Council had had time to consider them JW remained in the room to note the responses.

9 2003 1253 M The erection of a 6000 bird organic free range egg production unit (number 1) at land off Willowpit Lane. It was resolved to object to this application on the grounds of: -

1. Access, Willowpit Lane is a single-track road, in a poor state of repair and not designed to carry heavy vehicles on a regular basis. Even with an extended gateway large vehicles would have problems entering and exiting the site.
2. There is concern that the units are to be built on arable land with no guarantee that at the end of its useful life, or failure of the enterprise, the land would be restored to its present state.

9 2003 1254 M The erection of a 6000 bird organic free range egg production unit (number 2) at land off Willowpit Lane. It was resolved to object to this application on the same grounds as application no 1253 M.

9 2003 1255 F The siting of a mobile home in conjunction with proposed egg production units at land off Willowpit Lane. It was resolved to object to this application on the following grounds: -

1. There is concern that the mobile home is to be sited on arable land with full planning permission and this could set a precedent for a permanent application to be made in the future.

2. The mobile home is not considered necessary if the egg production units linked to this application are approved as the site could be serviced from a similar unit sited approximately half a mile south of the proposed site.
- 9 2003 1258 F The erection of a single storey extension a 43 Ryton Way – no objections.
- 9 2003 1264 F Conversion of garage to living accommodation and erection of a conservatory at 25 Marston Brook – no objection.

118/03 PLANNING DECISIONS

- 9 2003 0886 F The retention of a conservatory on the rear of 46 Welland Road – Granted
- 9 2003 0907 F The formation of a new entrance and display area to the existing showroom at Don Amott Caravans Egginton road – Granted
- 9 2003 0925 D The substitution of three residential dwellings to previously approved planing application 9 2002 1145 D on plots 13, 16 and 17 at area H20 former Hilton Depot – Granted
- 9 2003 0929 F The erection of extensions at 2 Utah Close – Granted
- 9 2003 0983 F The rebuilding of demolished outbuilding at Blakelow Farm Sutton Lane – Granted
- 9 2003 0987 F The erection of a two storey extension at 29 Washford Road – Granted
- 9 2003 1001 F The erection of extensions at 12 Back Lane – Granted
- 9 2003 1044 F The erection of a 2 metre high metal palisade fence with access gates at Wellbrook Medical Centre Welland Road – Granted
- 9 2003 1071 N The erection of an agricultural building at Hoon Mount Hoon Ridge – Granted
- 9 2003 1223 U The conversion into four residential units of two outbuildings at Blakelow Farm Sutton Lane – Refused

119/03 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

Cllr Mrs R Walton:

Advised she has had representation regarding the adoption of the verge at Egginton Road in the vicinity of the Redrow and Persimmon Estates.

Advised that the Tesco will not be a major supermarket.

Standing orders resumed.

120/03 CORRESPONDENCE

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| Mrs Price | Letter regarding the dog bin on the footpath between Derby and New Roads |
| DCC | Notice of adoption of roads on the Persimmon Estate |
| DALC | Training for Parish Councillors – Monday 17 November at Etwall –Please advise the clerk if you wish to attend – Recommended |
| DALC | Circular 31/2003 Local Channel Community Website |
| DALC | Circular 32/2003 General |
| DALC | Circular 33/2003 Change of e-mail address |
| DRCC | Result of the rural parishes audit 2003 |
| SDDC | Notice of a meeting with parish councils of 4 Nov –Would anyone like to attend? |
| South Derbyshire NHS | Consultation on Southern Derbyshire Acute Hospitals NHS trust proposals for NHS foundation status |
| Derbyshire Constabulary | The policing plan for Derbyshire 2003 – 2004 |

SDDC Notice of the AGM of the South Derbyshire Local Strategic Partnership 24 October at Bretby Conference Centre

DCC Road Accidents in Derbyshire Casualty Report is available on the web

Toyota Invitation to the Chairman to attend a football match at Pride Park on 15 Nov

Audit Commission Notice of change of address

DCC A to Z of Services – distributed with minutes and agenda extra copies available at the meeting for anyone requiring one.

SDDC Notices and agenda for the Etwall area meeting at Findern on 30 Oct – notices posted

DALC Circular 34/2003 Unsolicited mail

DALC Circular 35/2003 General

DALC Circular 36/2003 Training and budget

John Gaunt (Solicitors) Notice of the transfer of the licence for the Kings Head

Mr & Mrs Bates Letter of objection to the dog bin to be sited by the footway between Derby & New Roads

121/03 TO AGREE A WORK PACKAGE FOR THE BACK LANE FOOTBALL PITCHES
A work package is being compiled to enable quotes to be obtained - Pending.

122/03 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMEMENT

Mr G Hall	Groundsman	£140.00		
	Lengthsman	£275.00		
	Footpaths	£35.00		
	Fuel	£5.82	£455.82	698
Mrs S Smith	Caretaker	£20.00		
	Booking Clerk	£64.00	£84.00	699
Mr D Woolliscroft	Lengthsman		3305.00	700
J Walton	Clerk		£401.66	701
Community Transport	Shopper/Surgery bus		£132.60	702
Gordon Young	Seat Slats		£25.74	703
Buildbase	Bolts etc for benches		£9.14	704
SDDC	Sportsmobile		£105.75	705

123/03 CLERK'S, MEMBERS AND LENGTHSMAN'S REPORT

Clerk:

Advised that Egginton Parish Council had had a notice board made at Sudbury prison.

DW:

A Holly Hedge at Egginton Road requires cutting – Clerk to report to DCC.

The cover over a stopcock in the vicinity of the bus stop opposite the Kings Head is broken – Clerk to contact South Staffs Water.

The Greenway in the vicinity of Sour Close requires tidying. RW advised she has been promised action on this but suggested the Clerk write to SDDC – agreed.

For two Mondays running the lights in the changing rooms have been left on from the previous day's play – Clerk to advise the Booking Clerk.

For the last three Saturdays has collected a large amount of bottles and cans from the Main Street Recreation Ground.

PE:

Has contacted the police and will take part in a police liaison day, this involves accompanying the police for the day. PH gave a vote of thanks to PE.

GB:

Reported a hole in New Road adjacent to nos. 13/15 - Clerk to report to DCC.

Remarked on estate agents signs in verges some of which are causing reduced visibility to road users – Clerk to contact Ashley Adams, Bradford and Bingley and Hannells requesting that advertising is restricted to the immediate area of the property.

Stated that whilst the main roads were cleaned regularly asked if extra street cleaning could be provided over the two per year presently provided - Clerk to contact Ian Reid at SDDC.

LK:

Reported on the police liaison meeting she had attended with JK. She advised that there were now only three call Centres to serve Derbyshire. Regarding community police officers, as Hilton is a low crime area we are a low priority for police coverage. The need to report all crimes was again stressed.

PH:

Advised the re-instatement of verges at Egginton Road, Sutton Road and Cherry Tree Close following works by Murphy's is not satisfactory – Clerk to contact DCC.

124/03

THE PROVISION OF A POPPY WREATH

It was resolved to obtain a poppy wreath to be paid for with monies from the chairman's fund.

125/03

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The clerk advised the office would be closed on Wednesday 29 October.

GB asked if the transfer of meetings to the Village Hall could be investigated as a future project.

126/03

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

26 November 2003 at Percy Wood Close, plans available from 1900, meeting to commence at 1915.

The meeting closed at 2140.