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**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HILTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2011 AT HILTON VILLAGE HALL COMMENCING AT 7PM**

**Present:**

Cllr Bates (in the Chair)  
Cllr Smith, Cllr Carter, Cllr Day, Cllr McDonald, Cllr Walton-Knight and Cllr Cooper.

2 District Council Representative, 1 County Council representative and 9 members of the public were in attendance at the meeting.

**Special Guests present at the Meeting:**

Trevor Sherwin Representative of Derbyshire Fire and Rescue  
Sargent Steve Todd Representative of Derbyshire Constabulary.  
PCSO Karen Coldicott Representative of Derbyshire Constabulary.

**AGENDA**

**PART 1 - NON EXEMPT INFORMATION**

**1. Minute Number 1362/11/Public - To Receive Apologies for absence.**

There were no apologies for absence.

**2. Minute Number 1363/11/Public - Variation of the Order of Business.**

There were no Variations to the Order of Business

**3. Minute Number 1364/11/Public - Declaration of Members Interests.**

There were no Declarations of members Interests.

**4. Minute Number 1365/11/Public - Public Speaking with regards to Parking issues in Hilton**

The Chair thank everyone for attending the meeting and explained that the Public Meeting had been called after the last Safer Neighborhoods Meeting over concerns about parking and access issues within the village particularly on Welland Road and the surrounding area. He explained that the Parish Council, the Police, the District and County Council were looking for thoughts from everybody on how this situation could be tackled.

Issues that were raised were:

- Residents parking on junctions, corners and at the side of roundabouts.
- Inconsiderate parking on pavements not allowing access for double buggies or disabled scooters.
- Residents parking inconsiderately outside other people's driveways or outside their own homes blocking access for others.
- The installation of Parking Restrictions or Permit Parking
- The danger of parked vehicles blocking access for the emergency services for example the fire engine.
- Why is it illegal to park on the footpath in London but not in Derbyshire?
- It is an offence to park within 10 meters of a junction
- Busses on Welland Road going on the wrong side of the bollards when they cannot get past the parked cars.

The Police Representative reported that the Police cannot enforce parking issues if there are no enforceable lines in place and if the resident is not obstructing the junction or pavement. However the Police can prosecute offenders for willful obstruction which carries a fixed penalty of £30.00 without any points. Parking issues at present are a matter for the Derbyshire County Council Enforcement Officer to deal with as the Police have recently had these powers taken away from them.

Parking on pavements and at the side of a roundabout is not an offence if it is not causing an obstruction and there is enough room for a double pushchair or mobility scooter to get past safely.

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If vehicles are parked by a junction this is classed as a hazard rather than an obstruction, drivers should be advised to change their method of driving to suit the situation.

The Police can attach warning signs to the windscreen of cars parked in inconsiderate positions when this is necessary.

The County Council Representative reported that a leaflet drop was in the process of being organised, however this was put on hold until after the Public Meeting.

The Fire Service Representative reported that a meeting had taken place with the Fire and Rescue Service and the County Council to look at the risk of a fire engine not being able to get to an emergency within the village. Although there were problems within the Village especially Welland Road with parking the Fire Service felt that if this were to happen they would still be able to get to an emergency by way of the 50 meter hose on the engine or in extreme circumstance by bouncing the vehicles blocking the route out of the way. He explained that in his career he has never seen any restrictions which would have stopped the fire engine getting to an emergency if the dustbin lorry can get through, then generally a fire engine can as it is roughly the same size.

It was agreed that fundamentally residents want to park outside of their own homes.

The development of the Village was discussed with regards to the lovely sweeping narrow roads. It was suggested that this was done to stop the village being a rat race for the youths not just to make it look pretty. It was reported that the legal minimum for car parking to each development was 1.5 spaces per household. The Parish Council always stress on planning applications for the change of use to garages especially that parking is maintained for at least 2 vehicles.

It was agreed that a lot of the problems could be solved by people being more considerate to others.

It was suggested that pictures of inconsiderate parking could be advertised with their number plates omitted with the caption "Most Inconsiderate Parker of the Month"

It was reported that the DCC Gritting lorry would soon be going through the village as the bad weather was on its way. The Gritter will go where the bus route is and this may cause problem for cars parked in this area.

A suggestion was made that part of the Humber street/Welland Road Park area could be turned into a car park. It was reported that this had been part of the original plan which was dropped at an early stage as it would be hard to manage and who would be allocated for its use.

***It was agreed that Cllr Patten would establish the County Councils view on installing yellow lines and then she would update the Parish Council.***

***It was agreed that Cllr Plenderleith would speak to the Primary School and ask if they could help in anyway with regards to a Walking Bus or a walk to school day once every week.***

***It was agreed that the Parish Council would discuss the following matters in their meeting to be held on 30<sup>th</sup> November 2011 and agree what course of action to take in partnership with DCC, SDDC, the Police and the Fire and Rescue service to help resolve this matter.***

- ***DCC installing enforceable yellow lines in problem areas on a trial period in the first instance***
- ***To speak to the Primary School about a Walking Bus or anything else which they feel could help***
- ***Request the services of the Parking Enforcement Officer from DCC to come to the village for a six month at a time period to issue fixed penalty notices to offenders.***
- ***To report repeat offenders registration numbers to the Police for the Police to follow this up directly with the resident.***
- ***Could install signage produced by the local school children, the same as with speeding around the school a few years ago.***
- ***To leaflet offending cars in the first instance, specific cars at specific times, followed by a complete leaflet drop to all residents within the village.***
- ***Add an article to the Hilton Directory with regards to parking and access issues within the village.***

Signed.....Dated.....

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