

Minutes of the ELVASTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 9th July 2018 at the VILLAGE HALL, ELVASTON

Present: Cllrs P Bickerton (Chairman), R Strand, M Beadle, R Russell, E Beech and T Mansfield.

In Attendance: DCllr Peter Watson 4 residents and J Irons (clerk).

The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming everyone.

PART 1 – NON-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

01.07.18 To receive apologies for absence: Cllr S Spenser (work commitments).

02.07.18 Variation of Order of Business: Item 16.11 was bought forward to item 3.

03.07.18 co-option of a new member:

Mr James Byng expressed his wish to become a member and gave a brief account of his background after which Cllr Mansfield proposed a motion to co-opt which was seconded by Cllr Russell and **agreed**. Cllr Byng duly signed his acceptance of office form after which members and the district councillor introduced themselves and welcomed him to the council.

04.07.18 Declaration of Members Interests: None

05.07.18 Elvaston Castle consultation:

The consultation document on the Master Plan which highlights the council's concerns prepared by Cllr Strand had been perused by members and its content **agreed**: clerk to submit this to DCC by 16th July. Minutes of the council's public consultation meeting held on 7th June were **agreed**.

06.07.18 Digital Derbyshire:

Mr Birch noted that intended actions from a DD meeting in February had not yet come to fruition adding that a standard service across the whole parish should be implemented without omitting Ambaston. He believes DD is under the illusion that fibre broadband is directly available to residents' homes. Clerk to write to DD for an explanation of its time-frame for implementation.

07.07.18 Councillor's Reports:

Cllr Strand rues the lack of a new bus shelter on the A6 to replace the removed damaged one; clerk to chase Highways. He is upset to see discarded and used toilet roll around Grove Court in the past few weeks; clerk to inform the PCSO. He cited several robberies in the area recently.

Cllr Beadle claimed that a police speed camera van was parked on Main Road on Tuesday which stopped several speeding motorists along this stretch. She sent an article to the Village Voice paper explaining council's attempts to reduce errant parking in the village through 'no-parking' notices for which members gave her their thanks. She reminded members that we await Cllr Atkin's request to the Highways Manager that a site visit is necessary and recommendations made if the Parish Council approves.

Cllr Mansfield is pleased to see these signs and thought Gill at the Castle should be praised for her efforts that reduced street parking when events were held. His next door neighbour was burgled and a bike stolen.

Cllr Byng agreed with Cllr Strand's comment over traffic congestion arising from the possibility of a new road being built at the Thulston roundabout spur. He added that overgrown hedges encroach the pavement at Snelsmoor Lane and will send photos to the clerk.

Cllr Russell highlighted several break-ins recently most of which were reported on Facebook to make residents aware.

The chairman noted that the dog bin at Pool Close is damaged and probably needs a new hinge; clerk to tell SDDC.

08.07.18: District and County Councillors' report:

1. DCllr Watson welcomed both of the new members to the council.

2. He is still looking into how many recreation facilities and open spaces we have in the area (private and public) of which we have many compared to other parishes in the district.
3. At the gravel liaison meeting in April Tarmac announced it will write to interested parties about its application for planning consent to extract material from the northern end of the quarry. This involves conducting a minimal amount of work for 3-5 years, otherwise the application must be resubmitted.
4. Elvaston Cricket Club did not apply for a grant to fund its proposed planning application and the deadline for submissions has now passed.
5. DCllr Watson awaits answers over resident's questions regarding installation of post boxes at Boulton Moor; and a bridge over the brook at Field Lane. The latter is possible but depends on land ownership.
6. Derby City council has said it now rejects a 'park & ride' scheme at Boulton Moor although has not made this official as yet. Cllr Russell wondered for what use the land will have if the scheme is shelved; DCllr Watson suggested that we wait for the official decision before speculating.

09.07.18 Website Maintenance:

Cllr Mansfield has taken photos that will be uploaded to the site and asked for contributions of the same as well as interesting articles etc from members. Confirmed and historic minutes and agendas need to be added. Members will have their photographs taken at the next meeting after which these and a precis of their backgrounds will be uploaded.

10.07.18 Elvaston Communities Group:

Ray Jeffries explained that the group seeks new members especially from Boulton Moor. Recent events have been a success; the fete raised c£1000 although a payment for rosettes is awaited, the chairman will speak to the German Shepherd Club. The fete was better attended than last year's. The coffee morning on 23rd June raised £230 for the Marie Curie charity. The chairman thanked the group for arranging the Peter Waters memorial tribute and unveiling of the plaque.

11.07.18 Public Speaking:

A resident was critical of the lack of information on the new website which has not been uploaded with minutes or agendas since March. Cllr Mansfield replied to say he is in the process of completing these tasks. Another resident rued that bottles of milk have disappeared from Grove Close; the chairman thought this an issue for the police. A third resident complained of an overgrown hedge on Borrowash Road opposite Beechwood Caravan Park; clerk to tell Highways. He is pleased that the road humps on Stables Drive have been lowered but they have no gap in the centre to allow mobility scooters and bikes passage; clerk to ask Gill Forester to address. His final comment involves a broken valve at the river leading to the brook near to the nature reserve; he will furnish a location to the clerk who can then inform EA.

12.07.18 To approve the minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on 11th June 2018: These were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman (pp Cllr Strand and seconded by Cllr Beech).

13.07.18 Boulton Moor Housing:

Cllr Beech has invited comments from residents on Facebook and received the following replies:

1. Dog bins are requested around BM. **Resolved:** clerk to order a new bin to be placed at the footpath between Sevenlands Drive and Buttercup Leys adjacent the new notice board.
2. Road surfaces at B Leys are poor and unfinished. **Resolved:** Clerk to contact Tony Clarke at Persimmon and DCllr Peter Watson.
3. Residents ask permission for posters to be displayed advertising a 'yard sale'. **Resolved:** Cllr Beech to send posters to the clerk for insertion in notice boards.
4. Are posters advertising a slimming company allowed? **Resolved:** not in a public area.
5. Request for flowers to be planted below notice boards. **Resolved:** allowed and Cllr Beech to liaise with the Communities Group.
6. B Leys congested due to parked cars. **Resolved:** Cllr Beech took some surplus 'no-parking' signs from the meeting which may help and will contact the traffic monitoring officer through the police website.
7. Tackling unsociable behaviour. **Resolved:** resident should tell the police. The chairman added that Facebook is a useful tool to inform residents although he believed the advertising features on the site are unwelcome.

14.07.18 Cllr Mansfield left at 9.05pm.

15.07.18 Flooding and Gravel:

Kevin Birch has produced a booklet advising residents of flooding and asked for Council's comments. Members **agreed** that Kevin send it to EA and DCC for its approval (or not); if approved it can then be returned to council for its approval (or not).

16.07.18 Police Report: May - 7 reports of minor incidents in Boulton Moor and 7 in the rural ward.

17.07.18 Chairman's Report:

The Chairman welcomed Cllrs Beech and Byng to the council adding that they will lend much needed support to the BM ward.

18.07.18 Matters for Decision or Discussion:

1. Car parking issues; discussed earlier and DCllr Atkin is addressing this.
2. Avenue of trees at the Castle; Kevin Birch will again raise this with Tarmac at the November quarry meeting.
3. Parcels of land for possible tree planting. **Resolved:** held over to the next meeting.
4. Update on GDPR regulations; clerk advised that a data protection officer is not now a legal requirement for town and parish councils.
5. To consider a new waste bin and 'no traffic' sign at Buttercup Leys. **Resolved:** a 'no traffic' sign is now displayed on the footpath at Sevenlands Drive/ Buttercup Leys and a new waste bin to be bought and placed there too.
6. Update on bridge between Pool Close and Field Lane. **Resolved:** held over to the next meeting.
7. To adopt the modified clauses in the new standing orders. **Resolved:** clerk to circulate these again to members and discussion to be held over to the next meeting.
8. SDDC's reply over steps on the village green; clerk awaits a quote from the contractor.
9. Update on signage issues; Plantscape's invoice to be approved for payment tonight and clerk awaits the Highways' contractor's visit to erect the signs.
10. To consider a Grant Application from the cricket club (if any); none received.
11. Co-option of a new member; see minute 03.07.18 above.

19.07.18 Clerk's Report:

Clerk has asked the contractor to clean the war memorial and awaits his reply. He thanked Cllr Beadle for taking the minutes of the last meeting.

20.07.18 Finance:

(a) Accounts for Payment – cheques to be approved and signed:

Cheque No	Payee	£	VAT	Total
001274	J Irons – Clerk's salary June	497.43	-	497.43
001274	J Irons – home allowance & expenses June	18.00	-	18.00
Stand Order	N Mansell - Lengthsman pay June	285.60	-	285.60
001275	HMRC – clerk's tax June	62.20	-	62.20
001276	DCC – clerk's pension June	134.43	-	134.43
001277	Blue Ivy Complete Gardens – allotment gate repair	100.00	-	100.00
001278	Val Lewis –minute taking at Castle meeting on 7 th June	81.70	-	81.70
001279	Cllr Beadle – reimbursement for flowers	30.00	-	30.00
001280	Plantscape Ltd – village signage	2840.00	568.00	3408.00
	TOTAL	4049.36	568.00	4617.36

(b) **Income** – allotment rent £ 30.00
Second tranche of precept 2018/19 on 22nd June £ 5410.00

(c) **Bank balance as at 5th July 2018** £37912.02

21.07.18 To consider planning applications:

9/2018/0606 - APPROVAL OF RESERVED MATTERS FOR ACCESS, APPEARANCE, LANDSCAPING, LAYOUT AND SCALE TO FACILITATE THE PLOT SUBSTITUTION OF 10 DWELLINGS, AND REORIENTATION OF GARAGE; OF PLANNING PERMISSION REF: 9/2015/0612, 9/2017/0286, 9/2017/0822 (BOULTON MOOR PHASE 1C) LAND AT SK3931 8655 SNELSMOOR LANE THULSTON. **Resolved:** no objection.

22.07.18 Items for Information:

Clerk circulated one item of interest.

23.07.18 Agenda items for the next meeting:

- update on car parking issues (if any);
- Avenue of trees at the Castle;
- parcels of land for possible tree planting;
- update on the bridge on the footpath between Pool Close and Field Lane (if any);
- to adopt the modified clauses in the new standing orders;
- update over installing steps on the village green (if any);
- update on signage issues (if any);
- New battery for the defibrillator at the Harrington Arms;
- New 'welcome' sign at Colwell Drive;
- to consider a Grant Application from the cricket club (if any);
- Photos of members to be taken.

24.07.18 Date of next meeting: the next Council Meeting will be held on Monday 10th September at 7.30pm.

Part 1 of the meeting closed at 9.45pm.

PART 2 – CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

25.07.18. To move the following resolution under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings Act 1960): *'that in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw'*.

26.07.18 Review of the recent finance decision: Discussion took place over the decision made in the last meeting.

Resolved: council to seek advice from DALC.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 10.20pm.

Signed

Cllr P Bickerton (Chairman).