

East Drayton Parish Council

Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held
at 7.30pm on Tuesday, 20th March 2012 in the Village Hall

Present:

Cllrs N Stanley, I Stephens, M Goddard and R Small. In attendance: Clerk, S Pickard.
Members of the public: 0.

- 1 **Apologies for Absence** – were received from Cllr Mrs A Stanley, P Ogle, H Mackintosh, CCllr Hemsall and Pc Bailey.
- 2 **Minutes of meeting held on 21st February 2012** - were approved and signed.
- 3 **Matters Arising**
 - a) Highways defects: potholes/street lighting and road signs down; some potholes have been done and road signs will be attended to as and when staff are available. Night time switch-off of street lighting is now in operation. There are three drains on Top Street that need clearing. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
 - b) Overhanging branches at property on Top Street - The Chairman advised that an inspector has yet to call at the property.
 - c) Bassetlaw Spring Clean – The Clerk advised that gloves and bags will be provided by the District Council for use during the tidy-up next month.
 - d) Poplar Farm/North Green House – the Chairman advised that the owner now lived in Spain and it was therefore doubtful that any request for tidying would be undertaken.
- 4 **Declarations of Interest** – There were no declarations.
- 5 **Correspondence**
Bassetlaw District Council:
 - a) District and Parish Council Election notices
- 6 **Planning** – there were no planning matters.
- 7 **General Business**
 - i) Village Newsletter – The Chairman advised that Cllr Mackintosh was hoping for the second publication to be available on 1st April. Items for inclusion: dog fouling, Macdonalds' litter and a message from the Chairman regarding entry of the Best Kept Village competition.
 - ii) Queen's Diamond Jubilee Celebration – main decision at last night's meeting was the appointment of volunteers to prepare the food.
 - iii) Reply from PC Bailey re new Policing structure: PC Bailey commented that East Drayton's response was similar to many he had received. He hoped nothing would change too much and he would still to aim to drop-in on meetings when available.
- 8 **Meeting adjourned for Public Discussion** – no members of the public were present.

9 Finance

a) Income – None. However, DCllrs Keith and Shirley Isard had sent a cheque (made payable to the Parish Council) for £250 for the Village Hall Trust Fund from Bassetlaw District Council. This will therefore be paid into Parish Council's funds and a cheque issued to the Village Hall committee. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

b) Accounts for Payment

i) The Council agreed payment of £17.25 being the Clerk's expenses. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

ii) The Council agreed payment of £4.00 for entry into the Best Kept Village Competition. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

c) Balance of Accounts

The account balances as at 20th March 2012 were:

	£
Nottingham BS	1,907.93
Lloyds TSB	<u>669.82</u>
	2,577.75

d) Transfer of Funds – Not required.

e) Internal Audit – The Clerk advised Mrs Jose Ellis has kindly agreed to undertake the internal audit of the Parish Council's accounts. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

10 Urgent Business

i) Neighbourhood Watch Association: The Chairman commented that he had completed an on-line questionnaire about the Safer Neighbourhood Groups; but was disappointed not to receive any feedback. Despite requests from the Association for updates, information and an invoice, he has heard nothing.

ii) Best Kept Village Competition – It was AGREED to enter the competition again this year. Areas to be excluded were discussed and will be noted on the entry form and a map to be included for the Judges. Entry price £4.00. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.30 pm.

11 **Date and time of next meeting** – The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on **Tuesday, 17th April 2012 at 7.30 pm and the Annual Parish Meeting to follow immediately afterwards at 8pm.**

Signed _____ Date _____