

East Drayton Parish Council

Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held
at 7.30pm on Tuesday, 15th January 2013 in the Village Hall

Present:

Cllrs N Stanley, A Stanley, M Goddard, R Small, I Stephens and H Mackintosh. In attendance: CCllr J Hemsall, PC Bailey and the Clerk, S Pickard. Members of the public: 0.

1. **Apologies for Absence** – there were no apologies.
2. **Minutes of meeting held on 19th December 2012** – were approved and signed.
3. **Matters Arising**
 - i) Speeding motorists – The Chairman advised Notts County Council Highways had installed a monitor to check the flow and speed of vehicles travelling through the village for seven days (ie the weekend and five working days). The results were considerably below the volume to qualify for an interactive sign (250 vehicles per hour). There was a maximum per hour of 82 vehicles northbound and 60 southbound.
 - 80% travelled at 35mph or less
 - 15% travelled above 35mph but under 40mph
 - 5% travelled above 40mph
4. **Declarations of Interest** – there were no declarations.
5. **Correspondence**
 - Nottinghamshire County Council:
 - a) Invitation to Local Improvement Scheme event: Thursday, 7th March 2013 10am – 3pm at Newark Showground (reply by 25.01.2013). No one available to attend.
 - Police:
 - b) Minutes from Safer Neighbourhood Committee meeting 12th October 2012.
 - c) Notts Police & Crime Commissioner Newsletter – December 2012.
6. **Planning** – no planning matters.
7. **General Business**
 - i) Village Newsletter – next edition due at the end of January. Possibly include details from Safer Neighbourhood Group meeting concerning shed/garage alarms that can be purchased at cost price at The Mine of Information.
 - ii) Cllr Stephens reported that he had found a quantity of clays very close to the public footpath. These had however been fired from private land.
8. **Meeting adjourned for Public Discussion** – no members of the public were present.
9. **Finance**
 - a) Income – None.
 - b) Accounts for Payment – None.
 - c) Balance of Accounts

The account balances as at 15th January 2013 were: £

Nottingham BS	2,519.37
Lloyds TSB	<u>1,182.72</u>
	3,702.09
 - d) Transfer of Funds – not required.
 - e) Consideration of donations to village organisations

Discussion followed around the financial constraints of future Parish Council funding. It was therefore AGREED that only donations to the following village organisations will be made:

 - Parish Clock - £50

- Churchyard Fund - £150
- Hedge cutting - £50

The Clerk advised a letter had been received from Mrs Muriel Ogle concerning the Parish Council's intention to divert donations to the Village Hall Trust Fund and Senior Citizens Club towards the Church roof. Mrs Ogle was in agreement with the suggestion. Also a letter had been received from Mrs Jean Bingham re the Sports Club and she too stated that the donation was not taken for granted and would be happy for the money to go to the Church project.

10. Urgent Business

- i) Resignation of PCllr Philip Ogle – no letter of resignation has been received from PCllr Ogle to date. It was AGREED to contact him for clarification. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- ii) Local Council Tax Support Scheme and Parish Precept Meeting held on 10th January 2013; The Chairman and Cllr Small attended the meeting. The financial errors highlighted by the Chairman to Bassetlaw prior to the meeting were rectified concerning the new localised Council Tax Support scheme. East Drayton village currently has one of the lowest precept levels in the area and discussion followed at length concerning future Parish Council funding and the necessity to raise the precept. It was therefore PROPOSED by Cllr Small to raise the precept by 25% and this was SECONDED by Cllr A Stanley. ALL AGREED.

After further debate the following figures were RESOLVED for the Precept and Grant Application 2013-2014: The concurrent grant is confirmed at £253 and this therefore involves a precept requirement of £3,055. Application form to be completed and returned to Bassetlaw District Council. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

- iii) PC Bailey arrived at this point and advised there had been no crime in the village since September 2012. There had been a total of eight crimes throughout last year. Currently oil theft remains top of the list. Metal theft has declined due to the tightening of payment method (cheques rather than cash). The Chairman asked about any exceptions to the rule and PC Bailey said he would investigate and feedback. Theft from garages/outhouses/farm buildings has been noticed and now Police resources from the City are being sent to rural areas to assist. Regards his own staffing, PC Bailey has a replacement PCSO starting at the end of the money and then he will be back up to a team of three.

The Chairman thanked PC Bailey for attending and PC Bailey left the meeting.

- iv) At this point CCllr Hemsall confirmed his retirement from the Council in May after 28 years' service. He had met a wide range of people and thanked everyone at the Parish Council for their support over the years.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.45 pm.

11. Date and time of next meeting – The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Tuesday, 19th February 2013 at 7.30 pm.

Signed _____ Date _____