

East Drayton Parish Council

Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held
at 7.30pm on Tuesday, 16th April 2013 in the Village Hall

Present:

Cllrs N Stanley, Mrs A Stanley, M Goddard, R Small and I Stephens. In attendance: CCllr J Hemsall and the Clerk, S Pickard. Members of the public: 2.

1. **Apologies for Absence** – were received from Cllr Hugh Mackintosh, Mr S Ellis and PC Bailey.
2. **Minutes of meeting held on 19th March 2013** – were approved and signed.
3. **Matters Arising**
 - i) Pothole repairs – The Chairman reported he had watched workmen very shoddily repairing the pothole outside their house. Other potholes had been identified and were no doubt in for the same poor repair. The Clerk advised an email reply had been received from Jeanne Wallace, Senior Highway Liaison Officer, Highways North (Bassetlaw) as a result of the Parish Council's letter sent last month as follows:

“.....I have asked the Highway Inspector to carry out an inspection of East Drayton and order any repairs necessary, including the repairs previously ordered on Low Street..... I have also forwarded a copy of your letter to the Team Manager (Construction and Maintenance) in the Highways Operations Team, to highlight your concerns about the condition of repairs undertaken to fill the potholes in the village”
 - ii) Bassetlaw Spring Clean (22nd April – 6th May 2013) – The Chairman confirmed the litter bags had been delivered and asked for volunteers.
4. **Declarations of Interest by Councillors** – there were no declarations.
5. **Planning** – there were no planning matters.
6. **Correspondence**
Bassetlaw District Council:
 - a) Parish Councils' Liaison Group meeting – Wednesday, 17th April 2013. To be placed in the circulation folder.
7. **General Business**
 - i) Village Newsletter – In Cllr Mackintosh's absence, the Chairman read out an email received from him. The next edition will be in May.
 - ii) Recent burglary in the village – Cllr Mackintosh referred to a serious house burglary and would be mentioning security in the next newsletter, eg alarms, locks, strength of doors etc.
 - iii) Conservation Village and planning regulations. Cllr Mackintosh raised several points and further investigation should be undertaken before comment is made. It was AGREED to contact the Planning Department to seek clarification on East Drayton's Conservation status, uPVC replacement windows and request a copy of the Bassetlaw Guide to Conservation Villages. **ACTION: S Pickard.** This item to be placed on next month's Agenda for further debate.
8. **Meeting adjourned for Public Discussion** – Mr and Mrs Bingham commented that the Highways Department had filled in the legitimate hole at the roadside that takes water to the culvert near their property.

9. Finance

- a) Income – The Council noted a letter had been received from Bassetlaw District Council advising the Parish Precept and grant monies of £3,388.00 had been confirmed. A figure of £1,694.00 will be paid into the bank account in two instalments, on 29th April and 27th September 2013.
- b) Accounts for Payment
- i) The Council AGREED payment of £20.48 to Eon, being electricity charge for the village 'phone kiosk. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
 - ii) The Council AGREED payment of £169.93 to Community Consultation Ltd, being insurance premium for the year commencing 1st June 2013. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- c) Balance of Accounts
The account balances as at 16th April 2013 were:
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| | £ | |
| Nottingham BS | | 620.37 |
| Lloyds TSB | | <u>1,833.92</u> |
| | | 2,454.29 |
- d) Transfer of Funds – not required.
- e) Adoption of Accounts for the year ending 31st March 2013 The Council inspected the accounts for 2012/2013 and Cllr Goddard PROPOSED the accounts be adopted and Cllr Stephens SECONDED the proposal. All AGREED. These were then signed by the Chairman and the Responsible Financial Officer. The approved accounts are attached to these minutes and form an integral part of them.

10. Urgent Business

- i) Notice of Casual Vacancy – The Clerk advised an email response had been received from Linda Dore, Electoral and Democratic Services Officer at Bassetlaw saying: *“In some parishes there is an immediate response in others it can takes months before anyone who is interested comes forward. Some parishes have had vacancies for a couple of years that they have still not managed to fill!”*
- ii) Dispensation Order for Parish Councillors – Cllr Stephens will complete this in due course and lodge with the Clerk.
- iii) Wooden direction sign near 'phone box. The Chairman agreed to refit the 'Gainsborough finger' that had fallen off. **ACTION: Cllr N Stanley.**

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 7.55 pm.

11. **Date and time of next meeting** – The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on **Tuesday, 21st May 2013 at 7.30 pm (Annual Parish Council Meeting).**

Signed _____ Date _____