East Drayton Parish Council

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

Present:

Clirs N Stanley, Mrs A Stanley, R Small, M Goddard, H Mackintosh and I Stephens. In attendance: the Clerk, S Pickard. Members of the public: 0.

- 1. **Apologies for Absence** were received from PC Bailey.
- 2. Minutes of meeting held on 18th June 2013 were approved and signed.

3. Matters Arising

- i) Defects to village roads. The Clerk advised she had received an email from Jeannie Wallace at Highways concerning the Tarmacced drain that had not yet been attended to. It was AGREED to contact her again to enquire when this will be remedied and to warn that if it is not attended to excess water will flood the road. Cllr Small to be named as contact. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- ii) Best Kept Village competition update the village has progressed to the second round and judging will take place between 3-19 July. Letters of thanks to go to Mr John Strawson and Jan Gerard for their particular support and also to Cllr Neil Stanley, Cllr Small and Cllr Goddard for their efforts. Also a mention of appreciation be included in the next newsletter to the whole village for their support. **ACTION: S Pickard/Cllr Mackintosh (newsletter).**
- 4. **Declarations of Interest by Councillors** there were no declarations.

5. Planning

 i) Site Address: Broadlea, North Green, East Drayton. Proposal: Installation of standalone solar panels within garden area. The Council had no objections.
 ACTION: S Pickard.

6. Correspondence

Nottinghamshire County Council:

a) Nottinghamshire and Nottingham Waste Core Strategy – post hearing consultation on Main modifications. In circulation folder.

Bassetlaw District Council:

- b) 2013-14 Fact Book. In circulation folder.
- c) Rural conference and Parish Council Forum. In circulation folder.

NALC:

d) Fourth edition of The Good Councillor's Guide. In circulation folder.

e) PC Bailey crime report. In circulation folder.

7. General Business

- i) Village Newsletter Cllr Mackintosh advised that the trigger would be the Best Kept Village competition. He could also contact Mrs Jean Bingham for any sports information and include a piece about the successful fun activity day at Outklass.
- 8. **Meeting adjourned for Public Discussion** no members of the public present.

9. Finance

- a) Income None.
- b) Accounts for Payment
 - i) The Council AGREED payment of £9.89 to Bassetlaw DC re Conservation handbook. **ACTION: S Pickard**.
 - ii) The Council AGREED payment of £81.97 to Mr Steve Ellis being renewal of web site hosting and renewal of domain name registration. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- c) Balance of Accounts

The account balances as at 16th July 2013 were: £

Lloyds 1,820.74

Nottingham BS 1,833.92

3,654.66

d) Transfer of Funds - not required.

e) Internal Audit – The Clerk confirmed she had purchased two bottles of wine; one for Mrs Ellis as a token of the Council's appreciation for undertaking the annual internal audit and also one bottle for Mr Ellis in gratitude for the work he undertakes concerning the village website.

10. Urgent Business

- i) The Chairman reported he had spoken to a parishioner living at Stonegates on Darlton Road; she had to call for an ambulance and the emergency services had difficulty in locating her, as they were searching on Top Street due to the incorrectlyplaced 'Darlton Road' sign. The chairman said he had subsequently spoken to the Street Naming Division and they have agreed to clarify this in due course.
- ii) Mrs Hugh Mackintosh had emailed the chairman concerning the Village Hall committee's grant submission of £2,000 from Waste Regeneration (WREN) to carry out repairs to the flat roof and address the damp in the kitchen. WREN has asked for letters of support from users of the Village Hall and should be grateful if the Parish Council would agree to send such a letter. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- iii) The Chairman contacted the Council regarding the road sweeper visiting in June but leaving without sweeping the roads. Upon his insistence the roads had indeed not been swept, the road sweeper arrived the following day to undertake the task. Cllr Stephens said he would make a check of all drains and contact the Clerk should any work be required.
- iv) The Chairman discussed the idea of the Parish Council meeting bi-monthly. Recently there have been fewer planning applications and associated business has declined. This could be considered, with the proviso that Councillors retain the third Tuesday of every month should any planning matters arise and a meeting is required. To be discussed further at the next meeting. Enquiry to be made at NALC that this is feasible. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- v) Overhanging branches etc at a property on Top Street have not yet been attended to. Further enquiries to be made. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.00 pm.

11. **Date and time of next meeting –** The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on **Tuesday**, 17th **September 2013 at 7.30 pm**

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