

MINUTES OF WILLINGTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUES 10.3.09 IN THE OLD SCHOOL, CASTLEWAY, WILLINGTON

PRESENT: Mr K. England, Mrs C. Carter, Mr M. Coxon, Mrs F. Crocker, Mr J. Evans, Mr K. Gibbs, Mr R. Lipscombe, Mrs L. Oakley, Mr K. Overton, Mr P. Ricketts. Mrs C. Gow (Clerk). C/Cllr M. Ford. PCSO 4586 H. McConachie. 1 member of the public.

727 APOLOGIES: Mr A. Bamford, D/Cllr A. Hood

728 DECLARATION OF INTEREST: Nil.

729 POLICE BUSINESS:

Seventeen crimes had been recorded in the parish over the last three months, including one burglary of a dwelling.

Concern was expressed about the speed of hgv's travelling through the village to and from Repton Road pit. Very large hgv's have also been noted cutting through Oaks Road and Hall Lane. Registration details should be included with any complaints to the Police.

The Police are trying to address the problems of speeding scooters in the village.

A member of the public drew attention to the danger of vehicles parking on Canal Bridge between the Rising Sun and The Green Man and the brow of the canal bridge.

730 MINUTES:

RESOLVE: That the Minutes of the meeting held on 10.2.09 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

731 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT:

Recycling Centre, Twyford Road. Cllr Ford reported that SDDC have agreed to pay the full cost of reinstating the hard standing + £150 for other expenses.

Castleway – gully completely blocked opposite the Post Office. **ACTION: MF/CLERK**

Parking matters – clarification on responsibility required following the introduction of Civil Parking Enforcement. **ACTION: MF/CLERK**

732 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT:

Castleway zebra crossing has been re-dressed, and anti skid surface laid on the approaches. Two remaining zebra crossings in village centre are faded and require re-dressing also.

ACTION: MF/CLERK

Village centre, adjacent to Repton Road railway bridge. Missing sign from centre refuge – replacement would require road closures and therefore be very expensive. DCC are looking at alternative signage.

Castleway – new school signs have been erected outside Willington Pre-school.

733 MINUTES/REPORTS FROM SUB COMMITTEES/OTHER GROUPS:

Recreation & Amenities

Letter of thanks to be sent to the parishioners who watered 3 x planters last summer.

ACTION: CLERK

Environmental Forum

Mr Overton attended the forum on 4.3.09 organised by SDDC and gave a brief resume to the meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for July.

734 PLANNING MATTERS:

(a) Public Inquiry for appeal by TNT Post UK Ltd & Burnaston Cross Ltd

Mr Overton attended the Preliminary Inquiry at SDDC Offices on 16.2.09.

(b) Planning applications received and dealt with as follows:

9 2009 0115 NO

Retention of two 2.5-3 metre high screening bunds at Willington Lake Trout Fishery Findern Lane Willington (Thornton)

'No comments'

9 2009 0113 FH

The erections of extensions and rebuilding of outbuildings to create living accommodation at 12 Canal Bridge Willington Derby (Bookbinder)

Comments – Request that replacement windows are wooden, rather than upvc, to remain in keeping with the Trent & Mersey Canal Conservation Area that the property is within.

9 2009 0124 FH

Erection of an extension and porch at 61 Hall Cottage Hall Lane Willington (Allen)

'No comments'

735 CLERK'S REPORT & CORRESPONDENCE:

Report:

1. SDDC Summer Holidays Schemes 2009 – sessions booked for Inflatable Laser Game Wed 29/7 pm & Fri 24/8 pm and Sports Mobile & Play Mobile Mon 3/8 pm & Mon 24/8 am.
2. Twyford Road playing field height barrier repairs for the last two financial years calculated to be £525.00 (3 repairs) and £75 for 2 x bollard repairs (costs exc. VAT).
3. Former electrical shop, The Green. Network Rail advise that surveyors are carrying out a feasibility study for possible refurbishment and redevelopment. Any proposal will require planning consent which the PC will be made aware of by the usual planning consultation procedure. If successful it is hoped to re-let the property in the autumn of this year.
4. Land off Ford Lane – Client Care Forms received from Timms, Solicitors. Costs estimated to be in the region of £650 - £900 + VAT and disbursements, assuming no unforeseen problems arise. £250 required on account of costs + fees for any searches required. Timms have written to Mr Bird & Mrs Norman's solicitor notifying them of the above costs and seeking an undertaking in respect of these, and surveyors costs, to confirm they will be responsible for such costs, whether or not the matter proceeds.

5. Land to the rear of Twyford Road playing field – Letter from Timms (dtd 4.3.09) re Current Banking Crisis and amendment to terms of business.

Correspondence:

1. DCC – Preliminary consultation, proposed speed limit review – Findern Lane in the Parishes of Findern and Willington. Proposal to replace the existing National Speed limit with 40mph speed limit. No objections by Members. **ACTION: CLERK**
2. DRCC – Details of Calor Derbyshire Village of the Year 2009 competition. Noted.
3. Willington Arts Festival Committee 2009 – letter of thanks for donation.
4. DALC re Vacancy on DALC Exec Committee until 2011, nominations invited by 1.4.09.
5. DCC re Civil Parking Enforcement 19.2.09. DCC taking over these powers from Derbyshire Constabulary on that date.
6. Derbyshire Constabulary, re-launch of Community Speedwatch asking if the community wishes to be considered for the scheme. Minimum of six volunteers required. Notice to be placed on Website and notice boards. **ACTION: CLERK**
7. SDDC Saturday Civic Amenity Service 09/10. Refuse freighter will visit the Marina Car Park, The Green between 7.30am and 11.00am on June 13, Sept 19 & Nov 28th 2009 and Feb 27th 2010.
8. Mr J. Orme – Complaint of unsatisfactory state of Recycling Centre car parking area. Mr Orme to be advised of reinstatement to be carried out by SDDC later this month. **ACTION: CLERK**
9. Mr A. Titterton – Complaint of dog fouling on Twyford Road playing field. Safer Neighbourhood Warden asked to include the area on his patrols. Complainant advised accordingly. Rec & Amenities Committee to consider the problems of dog fouling on the playing field/play areas. **ACTION: RAC**
10. DALC – Vacancy on the DALC Exec Committee, nominations invited by 1.4.09.
11. Communities & Local Government. Consultation – Communities in control: Real people, real power. Code of recommended practice on local authority publicity. No comments.
12. Derbyshire Children’s Holiday Centre, request for donation. **RESOLVE:** That the sum of £100 be donated under the power of S.137.
13. Derbyshire Development Plans Joint Advisory Committee re Derby & Derbyshire Minerals & Waste Development Framework. Details available at www.derbyshire.gov.uk/environment/planning/planning_policy/minerals_waste_development_framework
14. SDDC re Civic Dinner & Dance 14.3.09.
15. Mr J. Orme re Public toilet facility in Willington.
16. Mr S. Harding – request for information about becoming a Parish Councillor. Advised – no vacancies at present.
17. SDDC Planning re South Derbyshire Local Development Framework (LDF) Core Strategy. Noted – no comments.
18. SDDC Joint Meeting with Parish Councils – Agenda 14.1.09 & Minutes 24.9.08.

736 FORMER POWER STATION SITE:

After discussion it was proposed that a letter be sent to RWE Npower requesting details of future plans for the site. A vote was taken. 8 votes for, 2 against. **ACTION: CLERK**

737 REVIEW OF CEMETERY REGULATIONS:

The Parish Council Cemetery Regulations were reviewed and with agreed amendments, adopted. Copy held on file. Next review Feb 2011.

738 REVIEW OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURE:

The Parish Council Complaints Procedure – Code of Practice was reviewed and with agreed amendments adopted. Copy held on file. Next review Feb 2011.

739 REVIEW OF GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE:

The Parish Council Grievance Procedure – Code of Practice was reviewed and with agreed amendments adopted. Copy held on file. Next review Feb 2011.

740 REVIEW OF RISK ASSESSMENTS:

The Parish Council Risk Assessment Procedures were reviewed and with agreed amendments adopted. Copy held on file. Next review Feb 2011.

741 FINANCE – ACCOUNTS:

RESOLVE: That the Accounts listed at Appendix I be accepted for payment.

742 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

1. ROAR – Notice of public meeting to be held 19.2.09 on the subject of the potential railhead and warehousing development on Egginton Common.
 - 1a) SDDC – ditto (1) above - to receive information and discuss strategic planning issues..
2. Letter of support for ROAR from J. & A. Gardam.
3. Copy letter Mr J. Parker to Derby Evening Telegraph re Willington, Riverside Footpath dtd 11.2.09.
4. Mr J. Orme – Extracts from Report to Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government re Appeal by RWE NPower.
5. DALC Circulars 2-5/09.
6. Derbyshire Rural CC Annual Review 2007/08.
7. Mr J. Parker – Riverside Footpath, copy letter to Mr D. Tysoe dtd 9.12.08.
8. Mr J. Orme – copy emails (2) to Mr A. Gifford re ‘The F1 at Willington’.
9. DALC re SDDC’s Standards Committee resignation of a Parish Council representative. Details of three Parish Council representatives as per the ‘ladder system’.
10. Clerks & Councils Direct Jan 2009, Issue 61.
11. SDDC – South Derbyshire Area Forum Agenda 27.1.09 & Minutes 11.11.08.

743 WEB SITE NEWS:

Re-launch of Community Speedwatch (subject to meeting deadline)
New parking control arrangements.

ACTION: CLERK

Meeting closed 9pm.

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(Chairman)