

MINUTES

of the

Drayton Bassett Parish Council Meeting

Tuesday 13th September 2016

In the Sports Pavilion, Rectory Close, Drayton Bassett, Staffordshire

Present:

Philip Millard	(Chairman)
Brian Reynolds	(Councillor)
Avril Edmond	(Councillor)
Ian Watkins	(Councillor)
Ray Neale	Parishioner
Simon Robson	Head teacher Manor School

	Action
<u>Apologies</u> Geoff Hemus (Councillor)	
<u>Departing from the Standing Orders</u> In view of there being no Chairman, the Council departed from the Standing Orders and nominations were requested for a Councillor to Chair the meeting. Councillor Reynolds proposed Councillor Millard to act as Chair and Councillor Watts seconded. Councillor Millard accepted.	
<u>Code of Conduct</u> Chairman Millard reminded those present to observe the Code of Conduct during the meeting.	
<u>Visitors</u> Ray Neale – Parishioner Simon Robson – Head teacher Manor Primary School	

<p><u>Items for Consideration by members of the public</u></p> <p>None</p>	
<p><u>Approval of Minutes from previous meeting</u></p> <p>The minutes from meeting on Tuesday 26th July 2016 were approved by Cllr Watts & Cllr Reynolds</p> <p><u>(16/906) Condition of Football Pitch and Future Maintenance (14/732)</u></p> <p>Changing rooms, next inspection to be done at November 2016 meeting</p>	<p>All councillors</p>

<p><u>(16/907) Maintenance of bus stop on A4091/Salts Lane</u></p> <p>Decision made at meeting to take down bus stop as there is lots of rubbish in the bus stop. Parish clerk placed free ad on local websites, some response but no one actually agreed to take it. Cllr Edmond will now arrange dismantling of bus stop.</p> <p><u>(16/908) Councillor vacancies</u></p> <p>Attempts have been made to find a replacement as there are now 2 vacancies An advert was put on the Noticeboards and an email the headmaster of the school to see if any parents may be interested and also Parish Clerk to contact Linda Hayes again of the Village Voice. No response for either. All Councillors were tasked to ask around the village to see if anyone interested. The next step would be to send a letter around the village about the vacancy and the potential consequences if the Parish Council fails to have enough councillors to run it.</p>	<p>All councillors</p> <p>All Councillors Parish Clerk</p>

(16/909) Lloyds bank mandate

Updating of the bank mandate has still not been resolved although they have changed the address to the new parish clerk address. Lloyds are now asking for proof of address for ID/address for Cllr Hemus. Cllr Hemus to go to the bank.

Cllr
Hemus

Correspondence/general item

(16/910) Club car park

Paula Acton & Mandy Busby attended the meeting in July to discuss the village club car park that is used by parents of the school to park whilst dropping off and collecting their children from the school. It is also used by the church during busy church occasions. It is in need of repair and the club is asking if any contribution can be made by DBPC. Mandy Busby to email parish clerk some quotes.

DBPC made a substantial contribution in 2012

Simon Robson Head teacher of Manor school attended the meeting, he said he had been approached by the village club but confirmed that the school have no funds.

Approx 28 cars park in car park during the school drop off/pick up time, the car parking is a valuable asset

DBPC need a full detailed quote before any decision can be made in respect to any contribution. Paula Acton & Mandy Busby to provide quotes for the next meeting

Parish
clerk

(16/911) TDCS Armistice Day service 11th Nov 2016

The service is at noon at the Tamworth & District War Memorial Hospital St Tamworth, there is a separate event The Tourists Guide WW1 walk around the town centre at 10:30am. Parish Clerk to order wreaths.

Parish
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(16/912) Celebrating new ring of bells

The bells should arrive back in the village Monday 26 September 16, it will take 3 days to hang the bells. The dedication is Sunday 16th October around 3pm. There will be a bell theme at morning service at 9:30 am on that Sunday. This is open for all to attend.

After the service refreshments will be served at the WI hut.

The Lichfield & Walsall Archdeaconries Society who gave a grant of £4,000 to the bells appeal will attend Saturday 19 November 16 and again refreshments after at the WI hut.

New items this months

(16/913) Village planting

Village winter bulb planting, it was agreed that Cllr Edmond would arrange for purchase and planting of 200 Crocus bulbs, Proposed by Cllr Reynolds seconded by Cllr Millard

Cllr
Edmond

(16/914) Village trees

The stumps are not fully ground down after work carried out by Central Trees - carried forward to next meeting

(16/915) TDCS re conservation New Row

Cllr Reynolds has been in discussion with Norman Biggs of TDCS and has a contact at LDC Claire Hines Principal Conservation & Design Officer Parish clerk to email village photos and letter to Claire Hines to explore if any of the buildings within the village which would meet the criteria for local listing, in particular around New Row

Parish
clerk

(16/916) Play Equipment

All repairs to the play equipment can be done by Dave Jones who will quote and if acceptable to go ahead with the work ASAP. The monkey bars are beyond repair and Cllr Reynolds will get some quotes for new play equipment.

Cllr
Reynolds

(16/917) Extra Grass cut

Due to the warm weather and rain the grass is still growing, it was agreed that an additional cut in October will be done, proposed by Cllr Reynolds seconded by Cllr Edmond. Plus the scheduled cut of the church 9th November in readiness for the Armistice Day service.

(16/918) Finance Reports

Finance reports circulated

The following cheques were signed and approved for payment this month
Chq 1224 £1,150 Exterius Facilities Mgt – Grass cutting
Chq 1225 £ 549.07 Odette Ghent – clerk salary 2 months & backpay
Chq 1227 £259.10 Odette Ghent expenses Dec 15 - July 16
Chq 1228 £1,195.00 DJones Fascias – fascia repair

(16/919) Planning

16/00833/OUT Development of rear off 1-7 Drayton Lane

Strong objections to this by all councillors, as was the original planning application 16/00384/OUT which was withdrawn
Objection letter to be sent by Parish clerk to LDC planning, Cllr Reynolds also spoken to Norman Biggs of TDCS and Claire Hines Principal Conservation & Design Officer at LDC. DBPC objection letter to be sent to both. Copy of objection email attached.

(16/920) HS2

No update this month

The meeting finished at 8.30pm