

**TICKNALL PARISH COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN TICKNALL  
VILLAGE HALL ON TUESDAY 4<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2008**

**Present:** Councillors Green (Chairman), Holt, Parker, Wolsey, Tibbert and Shepherd

**Staff and Public In attendance:** Clerk to the Council, District Councillor Stanton, County Councillor Jones and 5 members of the public

**532/08 Apologies:** Councillor Parker, family commitments.

**533/08 Declarations of Interest.**

Councillor Green declared an interest in planning application 9 2008 0132 FH – The erection of extensions at 6 Harpur Avenue, Ticknall.

**534/07 Approval of the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2008**

**Resolved:** These were approved and signed as a true record.

**Standing orders lifted**

**535/07 Public Participation and matters brought from Surgery**

- a) A member of the public complained that the land containing the grapevines is unsightly.
- b) Members of the public are very concerned about the condition of Chapel Street. It is very potholed and a resident has fallen and been hurt in one of these. The lane is unadopted and is owned by The Harpur Crewe Estate. The estate's agents, Mather Jamie, has stated that the lane is regularly monitored and repaired as necessary, but no evidence of this has been seen. District Councillor Stanton said that he had contacted Mather Jamie who told him that they have it in hand and are waiting for quotes.

It was suggested that perhaps it would be a good idea for a residents association to be formed that can deal with the day to day problems of the condition of the lane. County Councillor Jones will check what the County Council's responsibilities are when a road is unadopted but unsafe. It was suggested that the residents of the District Council bungalows should write to SDDC to tell them about their concern for their safety.

The item will be put onto the next agenda and in the meantime Councillor Holt and Councillor Wolsey will contact residents to discuss their concerns. Next agenda.

- c) District Councillor Stanton said that the situation of parking on the village hall car park is now so bad that one Sunday recently when the car park was full, the overflow of cars were parked on either side of the road on the grass verges, it was very difficult to get along Ingleby Lane. He believes that because the cars belong to walkers visiting Calke Park and the National Forest then these organisations should be sought to solve the situation. It is believed that the entry cost of Calke Park is forcing people to park in Ticknall and to walk into to the park.

Also, two white vans are parking permanently on the car park when overnight parking is not allowed. Next agenda.

### **Standing orders resumed**

#### **536/08 Clerk's Report:**

a) Floral displays in village – It was reported that a resident has offered to tend to planting on Burton Road, but there was no response for the newsletter request to tend to planting at the Derby end of the village. A villager has offered to tend the Ashby road planting. The Clerk has looked at possible sites, but these have to be approved by DCC. DCC are not in favour of planting boxes on the village sign notices, nor tubs below these. They would prefer plants to be planted directly into the ground. When a site is chosen an exact position with grid reference must be sent to DCC to apply for a cultivation licence.

**RESOLVED:** To inspect again when the council does a village walk.

b) Wedding Marquee – The clerk reported that The Harpur Crewe Estate pointed out that the lease of the Grange does not allow tents to be erected, and also that it is to be used for sporting/leisure purposes only. Therefore the booking has been cancelled.

c) Dogs in Farmer's Field – on advice from SDDC that dogs should be kept under control in farmers' fields; the Parish Council has no powers to control this problem.

**RESOLVED:** To inform the farmer that the Parish Council cannot erect a sign asking dog walkers to keep dogs under control, but that he could put a sign on his own land.

d) Drain at bottom of Melbourne Lane – this is still being pursued by DCC to ascertain whose land the drain is in.

e) Community Speedwatch –the names of three volunteers have been sent to the police.

f) Refurbishment of village seats

**RESOLVED:** to acquire a quote for the refurbishment of 5 seats, one seat in the bus shelter at the Derby end of the village, 2 seats in the bus shelter at Church Lane (one of which needs a new panel fitted), the War Memorial seat on the Market Place and one seat on The Green making a total of five requiring attention.

#### **537/08 - Rose Lane Enquiry**

The Clerk contacted the Government Office for the East Midlands again to ask for an update and was told that the Inspector has completed his report and the decision will be made by GOEM, however there are points in the report that are being checked through by lawyers. It is hoped to complete the decision by June when the GOEM is being disbanded.

**RESOLVED:** That the information above is given to the resident of Rose Lane who asked for an update on the situation.

#### **538/08 Planning:**

**Councillor Shepherd took no part in the discussions or decisions of the planning applications because he sits on the Planning Committee at SDDC.**

Planning Applications:

9 2008 0061 L – The conversion of barn to form residential accommodation including new windows and doors at Staff of Life, 7 High Street, Ticknall.

9 2007 0060 F – The conversion of barn to form residential accommodation Staff of Life, 7 High Street, Ticknall.

9 2008 0074 U – Change of use from storage to D1 non-residential at Riding School, Calke Abbey, Main Street, Ticknall.

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9 2008 0154 U – Change of use of cowsheds to home meat production sheds at Standleys Barn Farm, Box Lane, Ticknall.

9 2008 0132 FH – The erection of extensions at 6 Harpur Avenue, Ticknall.

9 2008 1180 FH – The erection of a shed and walls at 52 Main Street, Ticknall.

9 2008 0218 F – The siting of metal storage container at The Grange Playing Field, Repton Road, Ticknall.

**RESOLVED:** That there are no comments regarding the planning applications.

b) Planning Decisions:

9 2007 1398 CC – Demolition of front stone boundary wall & access gates for reinstatement of wall as random rubble stone closer to the public highway at Becket House, 4 Church Lane, Ticknall. Granted subject to 2 conditions.

9 2007 1399 U – Change of use from public highway to residential & the erection of boundary wall & gates at Becket House, 4 Church Lane, Ticknall. Granted subject to 9 conditions.

**RESOLVED:** That the decisions are noted.

**539/08 Police Report:** No report has been received.

**540/08 Adoption of Financial Risk Assessment**

**RESOLVED:** That the Financial Risk Assessment should be adopted and reviewed yearly.

**541/08 The Grange and Pavilion Matters:**

a) Boundaries and hedges-

**RESOLVED:** that the contractor should be contacted to make repairs to the boundary that are not as comprehensive as originally planned until the future plans of the cricket club are established.

b) Container for mower – The planning application has been made. The Harpur Crewe Estate has no objections provided that it is in place for no more than 3 years.

**RESOLVED:** That if planning permission is granted, the Parish Council will not object provided that the container is in place for no more than 3 years when a more permanent solution must be found.

c) Advertising hoardings – planning permission is not required, and The Harpur Crewe Estate has no objections.

**RESOLVED:** The Parish Council does not object provided that:

- i) there are no more than 15 hoardings
- ii) these are restricted to the north fence/side of the Grange
- iii) these are removed after the cricket season ends
- iv) this agreement will be monitored and reviewed yearly.

d) Cricket Club expansion plans.

**RESOLVED:** To write to Mather Jamie to inform them that after consulting with the Planning Department at SDDC any plans for housing on the site planned would be highly unlikely, so unless this situation changes the Parish Council cannot be involved.

- ii) fees for 2008-09

**RESOLVED:** that the fees will be approved and that the cricket season yearly agreement will be aligned with the Parish Council financial year, there will be extension of last year's charges for a further 6 months.

- iii) electricity usage – Due to the rise in electricity a review of the usage and costs over the last 5 years will be undertaken. Next agenda

- iv) Gate missing from new kissing gate,

**RESOLVED:** To purchase a new gate from Centre Wire and to ask our contractor to fit it and to make adjustments to the other gates to make sure that they cannot be stolen.

- v) closure of gates at The Grange

**RESOLVED:** to close the gates to deter youths from congregating on The Grange at night.

- vi) Stolen wheelie bin, this will be replaced by SDDC.

#### **542/08 Parish Plan – Next Step**

**RESOLVED:** To put on hold and review in one year.

#### **543/08 Finance**

- a) Payments since last meeting:

Norclean Services – Clean pavilion Nov	£130, £22.75 VAT	£152.75
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- b) Payments for approval:

SDDC – Dog Bin contract to 31-03-08,	£174.72, £30.58 VAT	£205.30
C. Bunston – Clerk's net pay to 5 <sup>th</sup> February		£292.32
C. Bunston – Clerk's net pay to 5 <sup>th</sup> March		£104.82
C. Bunston – Clerk's expenses –		£34.73
Hillcrest Landscapes – Work in village	£362.96, £63.52	£449.98
DALC – Annual Subscription 01.04.08 to 31.03.09		£172.43

**RESOLVED:** That the above payments could be made.

#### **544/08 Correspondence:**

- a) Audit Commission – Appointment of External Auditor for 5 years from 2007/08.
- b) DCC – 1APP Planning Application Forms and “Local List” of Validation Criteria.
- c) Alan Taylor – email of copy of letter sent to Environmental Services re scramblers on footpath/bridleways and into Robin Wood.
- d) Mather Jamie – Letter of confirmation that there are no objections to the container on The Grange.
- e) Mather Jamie – Email confirmation that there are no objections to advertising hoardings on The Grange.
- f) SDDC – Enhancement to Brown Bin Compost Scheme.
- g) Letters from St. George's Church and Ticknall Methodist Chapel in thanks for the Carol Service contribution.
- h) SDDC – Changes to Validation procedure for Planning Applications and Introduction of 1APP.
- i) SDDC – South Derbyshire Carbon Footprint Village.
- j) Norclean Services Limited – Price increase for cleaning the pavilion.
- k) SDDC by email – the naming of Royal Oak Court.

- l) SDDC – Local Development Framework – South Derbyshire Settlements Survey.

**RESOLVED:** To note the correspondence.

**545/08 Reports to Note**

- a) DALC - Circular 5 Representing the Future: The Report of the Councillors Commission, Circular 6 General, The Benefit of Quality Status, Circular 7 Draft Freedom of Information & Data Protection Regulations 2007, Circular 8 The Greenspace Community Network, Circular 9 Derbyshire Playing Fields, Circular 10 General, Circular 11 Local Council Review Subscriber Form, Circular 12 Consultation in Respect of Orders and Regulations Relating to the Conduct of Local Authority Members in England, The Playing Field Newsletter.
- b) Communities and Local Government – A Revised Model Code of Conduct for Local Authority Members.
- c) CPRE – Planning Seminar, 26 April 2008, Village Hall, Findern.
- d) Ian Hey, SDDC – Parish Plan – Parish & Community Planning Toolkit.
- e) SDDC – Corporate Plan 2007/10.
- f) DCC – Helping People Deal With Anti Social Behaviour.
- g) SDDC – Reports of Committees at Council meeting on 28<sup>th</sup> February 2008.
- h) SDDC – Special Council meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2008.
- i) Celebrate St. George’s Day.

**RESOLVED:** To note reports.

**546/08 Reports from representatives to outside bodies:**

- a) Councillor Tibbert reported that she attended the last Safer Neighbourhoods Group and that a resident of Ashby Road, Ticknall has started a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme. She was given leaflets regarding crime which will be distributed to the old people’s bungalows and put into the shop.
- b) Councillors and the Clerk attended Parish Liaison meetings and a course to explain the new Code of Conduct.

**547/08 Date of next meetings:**

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2008 at 7.30pm with a surgery at 7.00pm with Councillor Wolsey.

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2008 at 6.30pm (Annual General Meeting) followed by the Annual Parish Meeting at 8.00pm, (no surgery).

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2008 at 7.30 pm with a surgery at 7.00 pm

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2008 at 7.30 pm with a surgery at 7.00 pm