

ETWALL PARISH COUNCIL**Minutes of the Etwall Parish Council Meeting held on
Monday 4th April 2011 at 7.30 pm in the Frank Wickham Hall**

Present: Cllr D Du Cellee Muller Cllr J Patten
Cllr T Adams Cllr B Payton
Cllr P Bilbie Cllr I Smith
Cllr R Heed Cllr K Rushby
Cllr N Ireland Cllr K Cresswell

In attendance: PC Pilkington and four members of the public.

- 11/04/2745 **Apologies for Absence** Apologies were received from District Councillors Brown and Lemmon.
- 11/04/2746 **Declaration of Interests** – All Members of Etwall Parish Council attending this meeting, being automatically Trustees of the Frank Wickham Hall Charity, declared their interest. Cllr Muller and Cllr Cresswell declared an interest as allotment holders.
- 11/04/2747 **Minutes of meeting held on 7th March 2011** – Agreed as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chairman with an amendment to the spelling of Cllr Patten’s name in the list of attendees.
- 11/04/2748 **Matters Arising** – None
- 11/04/2749 **Public Participation and Police Matters** – PC Pilkington reported on the theft of drain covers over the weekend on The Bancroft. A van containing drain covers had been apprehended and investigations were continuing. PC Pilkington outlined the very stringent regulations relating to scrap metal dealers and stated that a dealer was obliged to immediately report anyone selling items such as drain covers. Complaints had been received regarding a red car parked near the brow of the hill on Egginton Road. PC Pilkington agreed to look into this matter. Mr Myring was very pleased that the tree had been cut back around the light outside the Frank Wickham Hall but the path was still dark due to the overhanging conifers.
- 11/04/2750 **Outstanding Matters County Council** – Cllr Patten reported on the following:-
- (a) 20 mph signs outside the primary school were still awaited.
 - (b) The bus shelter outside the Leisure Centre had been installed.
 - (c) The bollard at the top of Egginton Road had been replaced but not with the bright light that had been requested.
 - (d) The bollards had been installed outside the primary school but one had already been hit with a car.
 - (e) The white lines on the brow of the hill on Egginton Road were of the correct length as specified by highway regulations but Cllr Patten agreed to see if there were any other measures available to DCC which could prevent parking in this area. It was decided that a letter should be sent to the person who parked their car there.
 - (f) Cllr Patten had looked into the width of the footway on Hilton Road between Old Station Close and Egginton Road and it was wide enough for a double buggy and therefore met the regulations.

- (g) Further correspondence had taken place regarding the moving of the 30 mph speed limit sign on Hilton Road. DCC were adamant that it would not be moved but Cllr Patten was continuing to argue the case.

11/04/2751

Outstanding Matters District Council – Cllr Brown had sent an update in her absence.

- (a) Overhanging Trees on Egginton Road – The planning application to trim these trees was being dealt at the next Planning Committee meeting.
- (b) Overhanging Trees on footpath from Library to Frank Wickham Hall – The tree by the light had been cut back.

11/04/2752

Planning Environment and Highways Committee

- (a) Planning applications already considered :-
9 2011 0175 - The erection of extensions at 1 Lodge Close, Etwall – NO OBJECTIONS
- (b) Planning applications to be considered:
- (i) 9 2011 0180 - The installation of ground mounted solar panels up to 5 MW (peak) power generating capacity together with 2.4m high security fence at Toyota Motor Manufacturing Ltd, Burnaston – NO OBJECTIONS
 - (ii) 9 2011 0202 - The undertaking of remedial works to severely decayed floor joists at second floor level and renewal of lime ash floor on reed substrate to original specification at Blenheim House Hotel, 56 Main Street, Etwall – NO OBJECTIONS
 - (iii) 9 2011 0228 - The erection of an attached open garage at 78 Main Street, Etwall – NO OBJECTIONS
 - (iv) 9 2011 0223 - The conversion of an existing swimming pool to vocational centre and classrooms at John Port School, Main Street, Etwall – NO OBJECTIONS
 - (v) 9 2011 0238 - The felling of a Yew Tree at Little Croft, Sutton Lane, Etwall – NO OBJECTIONS.
- (c) Cllr Rushby reported that electronic notification of planning applications was going well. A date for replies to be included on the notification email. It was noted that fewer comments were being made on applications.
- (d) Routine Inspections – Cllr Rushby had received all but one of the forms. Most of the points raised had letters sent out requesting action but one or two points needed further clarification. The Clerk to try to obtain replacement stickers for the no dog fouling signs but if this were not possible obtain prices from an alternative source.

11/04/2753

Finance

- (a) Items of Expenditure
- (i) Quotation for infilling etc to King George V Playing Field hardstanding area – No quotations had yet been received. IT WAS DECIDED to carry out the work in the autumn when there was more chance of it raining after the grass had been seeded.
 - (ii) Quotation for digging a ditch on Sandypits Lane Playing Field – No quotation had yet been received but the contractor had also been asked to quote for filling in the potholes on the Sandypits Lane car park and give advice on resurfacing this area.
 - (iii) IT WAS DECIDED to renew membership of DALC at a cost of £598.68.
 - (iv) Quotations for the replacement of light bulbs and the cleaning of the light fittings had now been received but Cllr Heed had looked into the possibility of replacing the lights with energy efficient light fittings and quotations

were awaited for this. IT WAS DECIDED to postpone a decision on the bulbs and cleaning until further information had been received.

- (v) IT WAS DECIDED to purchase a litter bin for the bus stop outside Lawn Cottage on Main Street at a cost of approximately £93.71 (plus cost of clip to existing post). Requests for dog waste bins to be made an agenda item for the next meeting.
- (vi) IT WAS DECIDED to pay a flat rate of £5.00 per month to the Booking Clerk/Caretaker for telephone calls.
- (vii) IT WAS DECIDED to send Cllr Ireland on a Health and Safety training course for village halls at a cost of £20.00.

- (b) Accounts for payment totaling £1731.15, drawings account, money received and spend against budget were all approved.
- (c) The minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on 21st March 2011 were accepted and signed by the Chairman and the Review of the Effectiveness of the Internal Audit was also approved. The Committee Chairmen were asked to update their asset registers. Clarification was required on DALC Circular 21/2011 regarding the powers of committees in particular the Finance Committee.

11/04/2754 **Website Update** – The new website was now live although tweaks were still being made where necessary. The feedback so far had been extremely positive but any suggestions for improvement or changes were welcome. Ian Bennett was thanked for taking the photographs and he asked for a list of photographs that still needed to be taken.

11/04/2755 **Youth Recreation and Allotments Committee – T**

- (a) The minutes of the meeting held on 21st March 2011 were approved subject to the change in the financial year on minute 315 from 2011/12 to 2012/13. Cllr Bilbie explained that when the minutes were written it became obvious that the meeting was only just quorate and with Cllrs Muller and Cresswell declaring an interest in the allotments the decision on increasing the allotment rent was invalid. All members were in agreement with the decision made at this meeting to increase the rent by £0.50 per half plot and by £1.00 for a full plot.
- (b) Cllr Adams mentioned that the tree was still blocking footpath No 3 and the Footpaths Officer had not contacted him about the footpath off Heage Lane. Cllr Patten had reminded the Footpaths Officer the previous week but would do so again.

11/04/2756 **Frank Wickham Hall Charity**

Minutes of Frank Wickham Hall Committee held on 21st March 2011 were approved subject to “playgroup” being replaced with “Etwall Pre-School CIC”.

11/04/2757 **Clerk’s Report**

- (a) Report from Employees – It was reported that one of the posts by the mobilus had rotted and required replacement.
- (b) Correspondence requiring action – see attached.
 - (i) Cllr Bilbie asked if the Frank Wickham Hall was to be used for elections. The Clerk to inform the Pre-School that it would not be available on that day.
 - (ii) Three logo designs had been provided. The favourite was chosen. The Clerk to ask for some amendments so enable it to be used on letterheads.
- (c) Correspondence for information – noted.

11/04/2758 **Request for Speedwatch Volunteers** – Neighbourhood Watch had asked for volunteers to take part in the Speedwatch Campaign this year. Cllr Ireland and Cllr Rushby volunteered depending on the date.

11/04/2759 **Dates of Committee Meetings – None**

11/04/2760 **Any Other Business**

- (a) Cllr Patten reported that she had been successful in her bid to have Willington Road resurfaced. This would take place in 2011/12. It was noted that water main repairs were currently taking place in this area.
- (b) Cllr Patten commented that the bulbs in the village were looking very good at the moment.
- (c) Cllr Bilbie reported that the salad trays in the fridges in the Frank Wickham Hall kitchen had disappeared over the weekend. The Clerk to raise this with the caretaker.
- (d) The cycle path sign at the end of Egginton Road had disappeared. This had been reported as being broken following the routine inspections so it may have been taken away for repair.
- (e) The dog waste bin which had come off its post outside the Leisure Centre had been reported.
- (f) Cllr Cresswell reported that numbers attending the Saturday Night Project were increasing. An article in The Express implied that it would only be operating for two more sessions but this was not the case.

11/04/2761 **Date of Next Meeting – Annual Parish Meeting Monday 9th May 2011 at 7.30 pm**

Signed

Date

ETWALL PARISH COUNCIL

4th April 2011**Minute No. 11/04/2757**

1	Correspondence Requiring Action		Action
1.1	SDDC	Parish Council Elections	Clerk actioned
1.2	Audit Commission	Annual Audit	Clerk to action
1.3	Sustrans Rangers	Request for a dog waste bin	Agenda May meeting
1.4	DCC	Rights of Way Minor Maintenance Scheme	Noted
1.5	Mrs J Baker	Logo Designs	See minutes

2	Correspondence for Information		
2.1	Alan Corbett	Future of AARPC	
2.2	SDDC	Planning appeal – 115 Springfield Road	
2.3	SDDC	Site visit – Highfields Farm	
2.4	DCC	30 mph Speed Sign – Hilton Road	
2.5	Police	Speedwatch	
2.6	SDDC	Summer Holiday Provision	
2.7	Police	Monthly Report	
2.8	SDDC	Civic Amenity Visits	
2.9	DCC	Parish/Town Council Liaison – 14/4/11	
2.10	DCC	Emergency Snow Clearing	
2.11	DCC	Review of Transport Subsidies	
2.12	SDDC	Digital Switchover Briefing	Pass to The Express
2.13	SDDC	Press Releases (3)	
2.14	Time Assured	Introduction to Company	

3	Correspondence for reading		
3.1	DALC	Good Councillors Guide	
3.2	DCC	SACRE Annual Report	
3.3	Derbyshire News	Newsletter	
3.4	LCR	Magazine	

4	Correspondence relating to Frank Wickham Hall		
4.1	RAD	Village Hall Membership	Agenda May meeting
4.2	CRESR	Questionnaire	Clerk to complete
4.3	Harold Goodman	Quotation for cleaning light fittings	See minutes
4.4	RAD	Village Hall Training – H&S	NI to attend
4.5	South Staffs Water	Increase in direct debit	Noted
4.6	British Gas	Increase in direct debit	Noted