

## ETWALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Etwall Parish Council Meeting held on  
Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2013

Present: Cllr K Cresswell Cllr N Ireland  
Cllr M Adcock Cllr K Rushby  
Cllr I Bennett Cllr J Patten  
Cllr T Day Cllr B Payton  
Cllr J Fox Cllr R Warburton  
Cllr D Muller

In attendance: Cllr M Ford, Cllr L Brown and twelve members of the public

13/7/3177 **Apologies for Absence** – Apologies were received from Cllr Sandhu and the reason accepted by members. District Councillor Lemmon also sent his apologies.

13/7/3178 **Declaration of Interests** – All Members of Etwall Parish Council attending this meeting, being automatically Trustees of the Frank Wickham Hall Charity, declared their interest.

13/7/3179 **Public Speaking**

- (a) Daniel Kinton asked that a skate park be provided for the 10-14 year age group who were unable to get to the Hilton skate park as it was too far on a school night, too expensive on the bus and not always possible to get lifts. Although there were facilities at the leisure centre these proved to be expensive when used frequently. It was also felt that it would reduce boredom and therefore vandalism. This was to be made an agenda item to the YR&A Committee and Daniel and his friends would be invited to attend.
- (b) A meeting had been held to discuss works to reduce the flooding problem at Heage Lane. It was suggested that a gauge be installed to give motorists an indication of the depth of the water. It was mentioned that this had been looked into previously but the deepest water was in the centre of the road where a depth gauge could not be fitted. Cllr Ford agreed to see if some alternative signing was available.
- (c) Mr Myring reported that SDDC had agreed to carry out some work to improve the boundary at the Old Station Close nature area when a team was available. He asked whether this work could be undertaken at the same time as work was carried out on a resident's fence which had been damaged during construction work.
- (d) A complaint was made that the gutters on The Bancroft were full of weeds and rubbish. The Clerk to contact SDDC to ask for these to be cleaned.
- (e) Cllr Ford reported:-
  - (i) Work to tidy up and properly repair the recycling centre area off The Bancroft would be carried out after the new kerbside recycling collection service was underway when it was expected that this recycling centre would be removed.
  - (ii) DCC were looking into the problem of the parking of the ice cream van outside the Primary School. Photographs had been requested.
  - (iii) A request was made for the footway to be resurfaced on The Bancroft.
  - (iv) The grass on Egginton Road had been cut but not far enough so there was a problem of visibility when exiting from Jackson's Lane/Common End.
- (f) Cllr Brown reported:-
  - (i) The owner of Etwall Stores had complained that the new bus shelter had obscured the sign saying "local shops".

- (ii) The developers of the land at Etwall/Egginton Common had held a meeting with SDDC and a further meeting was scheduled. Surveys were starting on site and it was expected that local consultation would begin at the end of August with an actual planning application in a year's time.
- 13/7/3180 **Minutes of meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2013**– Agreed as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chairman subject to Cllr Payton replacing Cllr Ireland on the list of those present.
- 13/7/3181 **Chairman's Announcements** – Cllr Cresswell reported that she had met with a resident of Ashe and given him details of contacts at SDDC and neighbouring parishes which only held Annual Parish meetings so that he could obtain more information about the status of Ashe and where it fitted into the local parish picture.
- 13/7/3182 **Derbyshire Association of Local Councils** – The latest DALC circulars had all been circulated and these were noted.
- 13/7/3183 **Report from Planning, Environment and Highways Committee**
- (a) Planning applications already considered - None
  - (b) Planning applications to be considered – An application for amendments to a previously approved scheme for the erection of an extension at Marsh Cottage, Heage Lane had arrived that afternoon. This was to be considered at the PEH Committee meeting when members would have had more time to consider it.
  - (c) Proposed railhead and warehousing development update – Standing Orders were suspended and members of the public voiced their concerns about the proposed development. Standing Orders were resumed and it was confirmed that as soon as information was available the Parish Council would arrange a public meeting so that everyone was aware of the proposals and what they entailed. The Parish Council had no additional information to that which had been reported in the press. A document showing the steps that this type of planning application would have to follow was available. This included local consultation and events were expected to be held in surrounding villages where local residents would be given the opportunity to look at plans and make their concerns known.
  - (d) War Memorial – Although specialist conservation stonemasons had been contacted no-one was interested in carrying out repairs to the war memorial if the lettering had to be hand carved. An email had been sent to SDDC's Conservation Officer asking for guidance.
  - (e) Primary School Crossing Patrol Vacancy – A letter had been received from the Primary School asking for assistance in obtaining a Crossing Patrol Warden or a pelican crossing. It was suggested that the school advertise again in the Express or write to local organisations such as the WI to advertise the vacancy amongst their members. The Parish Council to write to DCC asking for a pedestrian survey.
  - (f) Snow Wardens – An article to be put in the Express asking if anyone was interested in becoming a Snow Warden.
- 13/7/3184 **Finance**
- (a) Accounts for payment totalling £3957.84 from the parish council's account were approved. Accounts totalling £312.14 for the Frank Wickham Hall Charity were also approved.
  - (b) Income totalling £18180 was received and income for the Frank Wickham Hall Charity totalled £554.92.
  - (c) Spend against main budget headings and bank reconciliation to 31<sup>st</sup> May was reported.
  - (d) Items of expenditure:-
    - (i) IT WAS DECIDED to accept a quotation from M Williamson to replace the posts and chains on Church Hill at a cost of £1680.00.

- (ii) IT WAS DECIDED to purchase a laptop for the Clerk at a cost of £355.63 + VAT together with business licensed software at a cost of £219.99.
- (iii) IT WAS DECIDED to arrange for the service of a donated Dyson vacuum cleaner for the Frank Wickham Hall at a cost of £80.00 plus parts if necessary.
- (iv) IT WAS DECIDED to accept a quotation for the installation of a litter bin on King George V Playing Field at a cost of £80.00.
- (v) IT WAS DECIDED to pay consequential losses which amounted to £150.90 in full and final settlement of a claim for a broken car window and subsequent costs due to stone flying up from a mower. Receipts to be obtained prior to payment being made.

13/7/3185

**Report from Youth Recreation and Allotments Committee**

- (a) Graffiti on Sandypits Lane Changing Rooms and Pigeon Club Hut - Cllr Warburton reported that no further progress had been made on the removal of graffiti. It appeared that SDDC were co-ordinating efforts to remove graffiti at various sites across the district.
- (b) Request to use Sandypits Lane Playing Field by hirers of the Scout Hut – Approval was given to use the playing field but permission to use the field did not imply exclusive use and the field was to be left as it was found. This was to be reviewed after one year.

13/7/3186

**Report from Frank Wickham Hall Committee** – Cllr Bennett reported that the downpipe had been repaired and the telephone had been disconnected and removed from the hall.

13/7/3187

**Clerk’s Report** –

- (a) Report from Employees – None
- (b) Correspondence
  - (i) A letter was to be sent to the owner of 3 Egginton Road asking for the hedge to be cut back before DCC sent out enforcement notices.
  - (ii) A letter to be sent to the owner of the Londis and the Chestnut Grove shops asking for the pavements to be repaired in front of their premises.

13/7/3188

**Website Update** – The number of visitors had remained steady. Some of the older pages had been removed and the more urgent notices had been separated from those which were routine. It was suggested that the Frank Wickham Hall Committee consider putting hire charges, conditions of hire and the booking form on the website.

13/7/3189

**Any Other Business**

- (a) A complaint had been made regarding the state of the Jones’ garage site. A letter to be sent to the owners.
- (b) Cllr Patten was thanked for her efforts in obtaining a bus shelter on Egginton Road.
- (c) The Pear Tree Court hedge bounding the footpath leading to the library was overgrown. The Clerk to report this to SDDC.
- (d) Seven posts were missing surrounding the overspill car park. Quotations to be sought for replacements.
- (e) The footway on Egginton Road between the old and new roads was overgrown. This was to be reported to SDDC.

13/7/3190

**Dates of Committee Meetings** – All committees to meet on 15<sup>th</sup> July from 7.00 pm.

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**Delegation of Powers to the Chair and Vice-Chair** – It was agreed that powers be delegated to the Chair and Vice-Chair during the summer recess.

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**Date of Next Meeting** – Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2013 at 7.30 pm in the Frank Wickham Hall.

Signed .....

Date .....



