

ETWALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Etwall Parish Council Meeting held on
Monday 1st October 2012

Present: Cllr K Cresswell Cllr D Muller
Cllr I Bennett Cllr J Patten
Cllr J Fox Cllr B Payton
Cllr N Ireland Cllr S Sandhu (part)
Cllr K Rushby Cllr R Warburton

In attendance: Cllr J Lemmon, PCSO Waite, Stuart Batchelor (SDDC) and three members of the public.

12/10/3041 **Apologies for Absence** – Cllr Brown

12/10/3042 **Declaration of Interests** – All Members of Etwall Parish Council attending this meeting, being automatically Trustees of the Frank Wickham Hall Charity, declared their interest.

12/10/3043 **Public Speaking**

- (a) It was felt that the proposals to reduce street lighting were a good idea in particular the lighting on Egginton Road near the A50 was excessive.
- (b) Cllr Lemmon reported that there was to be a drop-in session at Repton Village Hall on 4th October from 11 am to 7.00 pm to consult on Derbyshire Mineral Extraction plans.
Post meeting note: A similar event was also being held at Egginton Memorial Hall on 18th October from 2.00 pm to 7.00 pm.
- (c) There would also be a consultation on the Local Development Framework at the Frank Wickham Hall on Monday 15th October from 3.00 pm – 7.00 pm.
- (d) Cllr Patten had reported the poor quality of the slurry sealing of the footway in the Main Street area and the worse sections were being repaired but Willington Road was not suitable for this treatment. The bollards outside the Chip Shop were being repaired.
- (e) A firm price had still not been received for the Vehicle Activated Signs on Egginton Road.
- (f) The pothole at the end of The Bancroft had been reported.
- (g) Cllr Patten agreed to chase up the cutting back of the shrubs on Egginton Road by the A50.
- (h) Stuart Batchelor gave a very interesting report on the Leisure Centre and updated the meeting on future plans. Use of the leisure centre had significantly increased in terms of active members and those attending for swimming lessons. 'Back to Netball' and the Saturday Night Project were particularly successful and the Leisure Centre was now a badminton county training venue and a Derwentio Excel swimming training venue (for those of county and above standard).
Plans were in place to provide an artificial grass pitch, fitness gym extension, tennis/netball court refurbishment, a dance studio conversion together with a foyer conversion. If all went to plan it was hoped that this would be completed by summer 2013.

12/10/3044 **Minutes of meeting held on 3rd September 2012** – Agreed as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chairman.

- 12/10/3045 **Minutes of committee meetings** – The minutes of the Frank Wickham Hall and Youth Recreation and Allotments Committee held on 17th September were approved and signed by their Chairman as a true and accurate record.
- 12/10/3046 **Chairman’s Announcements**
- (a) The Chairman reminded members that all correspondence and actions should be directed through the Clerk.
 - (b) Cllr Cresswell reported that the Etwall and Burnaston History Society were re-naming their annual lecture the Ivor Smith Memorial Lecture and that the first speaker would be Melvyn Bragg. The History Society had initially asked if the Parish Council would be willing to share the cost of expenses but it appeared that this would not now be necessary.
 - (c) Cllr Cresswell also reported that she had recently represented the Parish Council at the Diamond Celebration of the joining of St Wilfrid’s and St Helen’s Parish Churches and at the 20th Anniversary of the opening of the Toyota Plant.
- 12/10/3047 **Derbyshire Association of Local Councils**
- (a) Circular 40/2012 – General Circular
 - (b) Circular 41/2012 – Auditor Appointments to Small Bodies (England) 2012/13 etc
 - (c) Circular 42/2012 – Standing Orders, Quality Parish Councils etc
- These had all been circulated to members.
- 12/10/3048 **Report from Planning, Environment and Highways Committee**
- (a) Planning applications already considered - None
 - (b) Planning applications to be considered:-
9 2012 0819 – The pruning of a sycamore tree at 22 Main Street – No objections.
 - (c) Planting of Trees in Etwall – Cllr Bennett reported that in order to obtain a Cultivation Order, the Parish Council were required to consult 16 statutory authorities to ensure that tree roots would not affect underground cables/pipes. The Bridge Project had been informed of this and had put a notice in The Express offering trees to local residents. It was suggested that spare trees could be planted temporarily on Sandypits Lane Playing Field before being transplanted to a more permanent location at a later date.
 - (d) Part-night and Permanent Switch off of Street Lights – Cllr Patten declared an interest in this item. IT WAS DECIDED to support the proposals with the exception of those on Sandypits Lane where it was felt that the lights should remain on throughout the night.
 - (e) Snow Warden Scheme – IT WAS DECIDED not to participate this year but to ask for volunteers for winter 2013.
 - (f) Signs Outside John Port School – A member felt that the new sign near the bus stop was intrusive but it was generally felt that the new signs were in accordance with the planning application.
 - (g) Vehicle Activated Signs – Confirmation of the cost was still awaited.
- 12/10/3049 **Finance**
- (a) Accounts for payment totalling £5425.21 from the current account and £1400.13 from the wages account were approved. Accounts totalling £611.54 for the Frank Wickham Hall Charity were also approved.
 - (b) Income totalling £567.60 was received and income for the Frank Wickham Hall Charity totalled £873.87.
 - (c) Spend against main budget headings were reported together with a bank reconciliation for month ending 31st August.
 - (d) Items of expenditure
 - (i) IT WAS DECIDED to pay £150 to register the Clerk for CiLCA training.

- 12/10/3050 **Report from Youth Recreation and Allotments Committee**
- (a) Report of meeting with the Allotment Association – The Allotment Association had agreed to be responsible for water invoices with effect from 2013/14. They were concerned that some plots were not being cultivated and it was suggested that the allotment agreement be tightened. It was suggested that some of the full plots could be made into three smaller plots which would be a more manageable size for those without a lot of spare time.
 - (b) Weekly Inspection of Play Equipment – Although the Groundsmen often reported faults with the play equipment, it was now a requirement of our insurance company that weekly visual inspections were carried out. A form had been produced for the Groundsmen to formalise the existing arrangement.
 - (c) Picket Fence near Bowling Green – The Bowls Club had suggested that this fence either be removed or painted. A meeting with Cllrs Warburton and Bennett and representatives of the Bowls Club to be arranged.
 - (d) Use of Sandypits Lane Playing Field for an overnight exercise – It was agreed that the Army Cadets could use the playing field for an overnight exercise providing they notified local residents and the police in advance. They were also advised not to disturb the badger set.
- 12/10/3051 **Report from Frank Wickham Hall Committee** – Cllr Bennett reported that the Burco water boiler was being ordered and that he and Cllr Fox would be carrying out the annual fire inspection.
- 12/10/3052 **Clerk's Report** –
- (a) Report from Employees – Nothing to report.
 - (b) Correspondence – See attached.
 - (i) Hanging Baskets – Cllr Patten had ascertained that these could not be fixed to concrete lamp posts.
 - (ii) A discussion took place on whether it would be possible to store sandbags in case of a flood but no suitable sites were suggested.
- 10/10/3053 **Website Update** – There had been a slight increase in visitor numbers and a significant number of pages had been downloaded.
- 10/10/3054 **Parish Plan Group** – A review had been undertaken of what had been achieved. It had been decided to include an extension to the Frank Wickham Hall in the Parish Plan. It was decided to contact the Fields in Trust to see whether the Frank Wickham Hall could be extended onto the playing field. It had also been suggested that a Diamond Jubilee bench be sited alongside the Golden Jubilee bench by the church wall. A price to be obtained. The existing seat required repair.
- 12/10/3055 **Dates of Committee Meetings** – Monday 15th October - Youth Recreation and Allotments Committee at 8.00 pm.
- 12/10/3056 **Any Other Business**
- (a) Meeting with the Scouts to be held on Monday 8th October at 7.00 pm at Sandypits Lane Changing Rooms.
- 12/10/3057 **Date of Next Meeting** – Monday 5th November 2012 at 7.30 pm in the Frank Wickham Hall.

Signed

Date

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1	Correspondence Requiring Action		Action
1.1	DCC	Part night & permanent switch off lighting	See minutes
1.2	DCC	Participation in Snow Warden programme	See minutes
1.3	DCC	Training for the above	Noted
1.4	Etwall Bowls Club	Removal of fence	See minutes
1.5	Jaimie Bent	Use of Sandypits lane for military training	See minutes
1.6	Mrs Kerby	Speaker's expenses – History Society	See Chairman's Report
1.7	SDDC	Community & Planning Briefing Session	KC & KR to attend
1.8	SDDC	Summer Play Scheme presentation	Clerk to arrange
1.9	DCC	Young Achievers Awards 2012	Noted
1.10	Mr & Mrs Louis	No longer wish to keep allotment	Clerk to re-let

2	Correspondence for Information		
2.1	St Helens PCC	Work required at St Helen's Churchyard	Clerk replied
2.2	SDDC	Maintenance Grant	Clerk applied
2.3	Police	Monthly update	Noted
2.4	Cllr Patten	Costs for inspecting lampposts for hanging baskets	See minutes
2.5	SDDC	Planning Ctte Visit	Noted
2.6	DCC	Tree Planting in Etwall	Noted
2.7	SDDC	Flood Liaison Meeting agenda	Members not notified
2.8	SDDC	Joint meeting with Parish Councils - Agenda	NI and BP to attend
2.9	SDDC	As above - minutes	As above
2.10	Etwall Guides	Request to use Sandypits Lane for District Event	Agreed as this event was postponed from summer
2.11	DCC	Vehicle Activated Signs	Noted
2.12	Mr Finocchio	Objection to turn off street lights on Sandypits Lane	See minutes
2.13	Mr and Mrs Simpson	As above	See minutes
2.14	Mr Horton	Complaint about resurfacing pavement on Main Street	Referred to Cllr Patten
2.15	Cllr Patten	Replies to above	Noted
2.16	Mr Wale	Complaint about a rope swing on KGV Playing Field	Removed
2.17	DCC	Derbyshire Village Games	Noted
2.18	DLDC	Employing an apprentice	Noted
2.19	SDDC	Village Games	Noted
2.20	Barry Wood Plant Hire	Winter maintenance	Noted
2.21	SDDC	Press release: Council tax benefit changes	Noted
2.22	Rural Services Network	Statistics on area	Noted
2.23	Mr Ride	Grit bins	Noted

2.24	Came & Co	Insurance documents	Noted
2.25	SDDC	Etwall Area Forum & Safer Neighbourhood minutes	Noted
2.26	Age Concern	Thanks for donation	Noted
2.27	LG Boundary Commission	Electoral Review of Derbyshire – Final Recommendations	Noted
2.28	SDDC	Press Release – Annual Report	Noted
2.29	SDDC	Press Release – Apple Day	Noted
2.30	Streetscape	Advertising	

3	Correspondence for reading		
3.1	Clerks & Councils Direct	Magazine	
3.2	Bill Newton Dunn MEP	Newsletter	

4	Correspondence relating to Frank Wickham Hall		
4.1	Came & Co	Insurance documents	
4.2	British Gas	Reduction in payments	
4.3	CAF Bank	Financial Services Compensation Scheme	
4.4	Helena Stubbs	Training – Managing a village hall	
4.5	British Gas	Change of supplier	
4.6	PRS Ltd	Review of PRS and PPL Licence	Clerk to complete

