

MATTERSEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council held on 2nd February 2011 in the All Saints Church Hall, Mattersey

- Present:-** Cllrs Brown, Roberts, Hunt, Light, Barrett, Kendall, A. Haddon (clerk), PC Chris Glover & PCSO, 1 member of the public
- 02/11/204 To receive apologies for absence**
Apologies were received from Cllr Saint due to work commitments.
- 02/11/205 To receive declarations of interest**
No declarations were made.
- 02/11/206 Police Report**
The Police reported that there had been 3 incidents since the last meeting. One for rowdy nuisance, one relating to motorcycles and one attempted burglary.
The owners of the motorcycles had been warned that future breaches of the law would result in the bikes being confiscated.
The question of hare coursing and lamping was discussed. Lamping is not in itself against the law but there would be an issue with trespass. There have been some incidents of badger baiting and dog fighting and therefore anyone who sees anyone out in the fields at night with dogs to report the matter to the Police. This will also help protect local farmer's equipment which has been the target of thieves.
There is a new website www.police.co.uk on which people can check their postcodes to ascertain the amount of reported crime in their area.
The next SNG meeting will consider speeding issues once again. Recent stats from Notts County Council show that up to 75% exceeded the speed limit through the village. The Chairman requested the support of the Police in connection with future plans for traffic calming and also to request the speed camera van visits the village. PC Glover offered to try to attend the next speedwatch operation with a view to cautioning drivers.
- 02/11/207 Public Forum**
A resident reported overhanging branches causing a hazard to pedestrians on the bend at the junction of Thorpe Road and Breck Lane.
The road sweepers had not been seen in the village for some time.
- 02/11/208 To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 5th January 2011**
RESOLVED: Approved
- 02/11/209 To discuss matters arising from the minutes, for information only**
12/10/177 Signs on Thorpe Road – these have been confirmed as within planning guidelines
1/11/195 The County Council had confirmed that they would have no objections to outside contractors being used within the parish to clear snow providing that the necessary insurance was in place and that due care was taken in respect of damage to kerbs and road surfaces. The gritting routes could be re-considered but if a different road was included in the route then another would be removed.
1/11/190 North Notts Landscapes had signed the contract for grass cutting.
- 02/11/210 Cemetery and village maintenance**
a) Cemetery No new applications had been received. Details of the memorial which appeared to have been erected without consent was discussed and it was decided to try to ascertain the company involved. There was to be a burial on Monday 7th February 2011. RESOLVED: To clear the cemetery of moles.
b) Village Maintenance A cost of £40 per cut had been obtained for the hedge side of the pavement on Thorpe Road. RESOLVED: To accept the quote and request the work be carried out 3 times this coming year.
- 02/11/211 To consider any further action regarding the re-positioning of the bus shelter on Main St.**
The plans had been sent to the District Council archives. It was suggested that they be requested in time for the next meeting.

- 02/11/212 To receive an update on footpath on Mattersey Old Road**
 Advice had been received from the Ramblers Association. It was felt that this did throw up the following points which could be grounds for appealing the decision:
- NCC committee made decision based on 'need' whereas this is not in the legislation as being a legal point for making the order.
 - Question of safety of the public should be emphasised, if the order is not approved then a constructed pavement is required from Mattersey Road to footpath 23 and bridleway 22
 - Use of the footpath for statutory period could have been exceeded.
- Concern was expressed that the sale of land could prevent future use.
 RESOLVED: By a majority decision to pursue the Creation Order
- 02/11/213 To confirm that the Parish Council bear the cost of hire of the hall for the NEBF meeting**
 The cost had already been covered by an alternative source.
- 02/11/214 To consider content of the draft grievance procedure**
RESOLVED: That the draft grievance procedure be approved and adopted.
- 02/11/215 To consider possible speed control projects & receive report on speeding statistics**
 Details of statistics had been received from Notts CC and issued to Members. These showed that the majority of traffic exceeded the speed limit but the County Council's criteria for speed control measures were not met because this relied on a higher quantity of traffic and was more applicable to urban areas and major roads. The Parish Council would need permission from NCC to erect interactive speed signs and these must be purchased from them at an approximate cost of £7,000. Approval was given to the Chairman to purchase documents relating to village gateways, to raise the matter at the SNG meeting and to suggest that Cllr Yates be approached regarding raising the issue with the Chief Executive of the County Council.
- 02/11/216 To discuss possible installation of new gas supplies to the Parish**
 The National Grid had explained the procedure for the consideration of installing a gas supply to the village. No buying groups had been found in the area. RESOLVED: To await the response from residents to the survey in Idle Talk.
- 02/11/217 To compile a response to the review of the Dog Warden service**
 RESOLVED: To check for any local bye-laws and to explain that the Parish Council continually remind residents of their obligations.
- 02/11/218 Correspondence received when agenda was printed**
- a) Request for donation to Mind – RESOLVED: To send a donation of £50.00
 - b) Idle Valley press release – to forward to Idle Talk
 - c) TV Lottery funding competition
 - d) Bus route amendments – include these details to enhance request for new gritting route
 - e) Police policy stakeholder meetings
 - f) Planning Aid cut to funding.
 - g) A1 Housing e-newsletter
 - h) Bassetlaw Spring clean event – to invite response through Idle Talk
 - i) Digital switchover event
- 02/11/219 Correspondence received after agenda was printed**
- a) Waste Core Strategy update
 - b) Eel Pool Road closure
 - c) BDC Chairman's Charity Ball
 - d) EON had donated an emergency power cut demonstration toolbox – donated to TRA
- 02/11/220 To arrange speedwatch dates**
 RESOLVED: Dates arranged between volunteers.
- 02/11/221 Finance**
- a) To authorise the following expenditure:

Admin & Salary	£220.07	SLCC membership	£72.00
Cemetery water rates	£43.35	Chairmans allowance	£13.68
- RESOLVED: Payments authorised

b) To receive a report on the current financial status and reconciliation of accounts

RESOLVED: Noted

c) To approve budget plans for 2011/12

Concurrent and cemetery grants from BDC had been confirmed and remain as previous year.
RESOLVED: To approve the budget plans and request a precept of £4,504. Inform residents via Idle Talk of this years precept and comparison of previous years.

02/11/222 Planning Applications:

a) Application from Lafarge for the extension of time limit for the extraction of sand and gravel near Sturton le Steeple

RESOLVED: To request further details of the section 106 agreement and confirm restriction on HGVs.

02/11/223 Planning Determinations:

No. 31/10/00019 Demolition of existing kitchen & outbuildings & erect new kitchen/utility extension with detached single garage – approved.

RESOLVED: To request the reason that the Parish Council's views were not taken into account since this was in a conservation area.

02/11/224 To determine the contents for the next edition of Idle Talk

- Idle Valley press release
- Digital switchover event
- EON power cut emergency kit
- Bassetlaw Spring Clean event
- Budget
- Street light saving on NCC website

02/11/225 Members reports and exchange of information on matters of concern

Cllr Hunt reported on the NEBF meeting:

- An organisation had offered to build websites for a number of parish councils free of charge
- Street light energy saving project – Bassetlaw is the first to be involved in this pilot project. There were a number of options and details are on the NCC website. They will consult each Parish Council
- ❖ Two more children had left the village school leaving 33 as the total
- ❖ There had been a bout of flies at Mattersey Thorpe, the Environmental Health Department are doing tests to ascertain the reason for the influx.
- ❖ Three Tarmac lorries have been reported as travelling through the village – Cllr Roberts agreed to report the incident to Tarmac.

02/11/226 To confirm the next meeting

RESOLVED: That the next meeting be held on 2nd March 2011

Signed Date
(Chairman)