

MATTERSEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council held on 4th March 2009 In the All Saints Church Hall, Mattersey

- Present:-** Cllrs Roberts, Hunt, Barrett, Light, & Saint, A. Haddon (clerk), Dist Cllr E. Yates, Dist Cllr M. Gray, 1 member of the public,
- 03/09/219 Apologies for absence**
Apologies were received from Cllr Brown
- 03/09/220 Declarations of interest**
Cllr Roberts declared an interest in planning application 31/09/00002/R
- 03/09/221 Police Report**
No Police officers were in attendance and no report had been received. Members expressed disappointment that no report had been submitted and suggested P C Pilsworth be requested to submit a brief written report if unable to attend the meeting in person.
- 03/09/222 Public Forum**
The formal meeting was suspended for the duration of the public forum.
Cllr Yates explained that she was attending the meeting merely to observe and gain experience of various parish council meetings in her capacity as member of the Bassetlaw Standards Board.
- 03/09/223 To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 4th February 2009**
RESOLVED: Approved
- 03/09/224 To discuss matters arising from the minutes, for information only**
RESOLVED: Approved.
- 03/09/225 Matters Arising from the Minutes, for information only**
11/08/140 BMX/youth shelter – There had been a meeting on the 7th February at which a steering group had been formed and a further meeting arranged for the 7th March.
12/08/176 Church Memorial Clock – The clock was not working again and had stopped a few days after the last visit of English Clockmakers.
01/09/197/1 Christmas lights – An estimate for the supply of lights had been received and it was suggested that further quotes be obtained and the matter be put on the next agenda.
- 03/09/226 To consider a response regarding the alterations to the car park at Mattersey School**
No further information had been forthcoming from Notts CC despite another request for plans. The clerk was asked to ensure that the information was issued by the County Council.
- 03/09/227 To consider progress on the Barley Mow**
The clerk reported that the agents had received some offers and, whilst the vendors had not yet confirmed which offer they would accept, no further bids were being sought.
A resident had suggested that, if the Pub is the Hub scheme did not materialise, the Parish Council should consider building a new village hall/community centre. Members felt that this was a worthy idea in principle but would need a lot of work and considerable funding and support.
RESOLVED: To hold any further action pending details of the sale of the Barley Mow and to acknowledge the suggestion of a village hall informing the resident that the matter would be discussed at a later date.
- 03/09/228 To consider participation in the Bassetlaw Spring Clean event**
There had been no response to the event last year but if other organisations volunteered it would be a useful event.
RESOLVED: To contact the school, guides and scouts to request their participation on a suggested date of 25th April.

03/09/229

To receive a report and discuss Notts CC issues

A report on the meeting between Cllr Brown and Mr David Kirkham, Notts CC, had been issued to Members prior to the meeting.

Topics raised were: 1. Better communications between County & Parish Councils.

2. Parish Councils have offered to work with the County Council to develop a Charter or similar
3. Parish Councils using electronic means to communicate
4. Process to be developed where general policies can be queried as to their appropriateness for rural communities
5. Information about planned works can be published for the year ahead to allow Parishes to advise as to their perception of the priorities.

RESOLVED: 1. To obtain a copy of the draft Charter recently formed by Northumberland Association of Local Councils in order to form a basis for the proposed Nottinghamshire Charter.

2. To request Highways to issue their plans for maintenance within the Mattersey area for the next twelve months.

03/09/230

Correspondence received when agenda was printed

- a) NALC County Partnership Training day for Councillors and clerks on 24th March at Thurgarton Village Hall 10am – 4pm.

RESOLVED: That the clerk attend the course.

03/09/231

Correspondence received after agenda was printed

- a) Parish Council Liaison Group report: Concern had been raised at this meeting regarding the increase in the number of sites for travellers in the Bassetlaw area.

The meeting was adjourned to take advice from Cllr Yates regarding her knowledge of the situation.

RESOLVED: 1. To contact Everton Parish Council regarding re-digging the ditches to prevent access to the fields and to check the open space area at Mattersey Thorpe.

2. To ask Bassetlaw District Council if they have any plans to travellers sites in the area.

03/09/232

Finance

- a) To authorise the following expenditure:

Admin & Salary: £201.16	English Clockmakers	£178.25
NALC Subs	£115.34	

RESOLVED: To authorise Admin & NALC subs but not for clock repairs since it was still not working

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

RESOLVED: Noted

03/09/233

Cemetery

- a) Maintenance issues: Paving stones: RESOLVED; To order slabs from AC Paving for delivery at a date to be arranged.

A request had been made for the planting of a Mulberry Tree in the cemetery.

RESOLVED: Not to approve the application since there were sufficient trees already planted but to notify the applicant if space became available at a later date.

The rubbish bins had not been emptied and the contractor would be contacted.

03/09/234

Planning Applications:

1. App No 31/09/0002/R The Barn, Breck Lane, Mattersey. Erect first floor and rear single storey extension to dwelling. Resubmission of previous application.

RESOLVED: That no objections be raised.

2. App No F/1503 Deep exploratory bore hole at Carr Drain Surface Borehole, Mattersey
- RESOLVED: That no objections be raised.

3. App. No 31/09/0001 Priory Lodge, Abbey Road, Mattersey, Erect two storey extension

RESOLVED: That objections be raised due to height of the proposed structure. It was felt that the building would be obtrusive and out of keeping with the surrounding area.

4. App No, 31/09/00003 Land off Breck Lane, Mattersey, Erection of hay barn/tack room
RESOLVED: 1. That objections be raised since it would significantly increase the footprint which is outside the village envelope. The structure of the building is not in keeping with the proposed use as a barn/tack room. A more temporary structure without the need for insulation and footing etc would be sufficient for the designated purpose.
2. That the existing structure which had been damaged be reported as being in a dangerous state.

03/09/235 **Planning Decisions**
None had been received

03/09/236 **Members reports and exchange of information on matters of concern**
1. The Daneshill tip was closing and only the recycling area would remain despite assurances that there was capacity for at least two years. The item was to be put on the agenda for the next meeting.
2. The waste bin at the top of Breck Lane close to the junction of Ranskill Road had been demolished by Notts CC grass cutting contractors. It was suggested that a request be made for a replacement.

03/09/237 **Next meeting**
RESOLVED: That the next meeting be held on 1st April 2009 at 7.30pm.

Signed Date
(Chairman)