

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE
VILLAGE HALL ON WEDNESDAY, 14TH MARCH 2001**

Present: Cllr Mr I Griffiths (Chairman)
Cllr Mrs A Orton (Vice Chairman)
Cllr Mr R Hull
Cllr Mrs M Passey
Cllr Mr I Rosindell
Cllr Mr S Walker
Cllr Mr C Womble

Parishioners: 5

Apologies: Cllr Mr L Lonergan

1. **MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – 10TH JANUARY 2001**

Cllr Orton proposed acceptance, seconded by Cllr Passey and agreed.

2. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

Open Forum

Notts. Constabulary divisional reorganisation discussed – Papplewick's preference of Option 4 (Bassetlaw/Mansfield/Newark & Sherwood) and Division 2 (Ashfield/Broxtowe/Gedling/Rushcliffe) sent to the Chief Constable. Clerk confirmed Gedling Borough Council's preferred Option 2 (Bassetlaw/Newark & Sherwood) Division 3 (Gedling/Rushcliffe) on the basis of a smaller division in terms of potential resources.

Church Lane – vehicular visibility – Cllr Orton confirmed discussion with owners of 'Cornerstone'. Although sympathetic to the request to cut back foliage on the their bank, as they have small children they needed to ensure their safety. They would be happy for the Council to cut back the depth of foliage but not the height. Clerk pointed out it was the responsibility of the landowner, not the Parish Council and that if the Highway Authority were approached they would account to the landowner for any work carried out. Cllr Rosindell queried the planning conditions. Clerk to speak to Gedling.

Main Street pavement camber complaint – the negative response from Gedling BC reported during open forum of annual parish assembly.

Item 2 - Matters Arising

Village Signs (page 2) Chairman proposing to write to Gedling about this and other matters of concern previously discussed.

Item 3 - Correspondence

DETR Rural White Paper (page 3) NALC Course on 3rd March cancelled due to foot and mouth.

Notts Police Authority (page 3) Consultation timetable received - parish councils to be contacted re attendance at specific meetings.

Item 9 – Newsletter (page 6) Edited and circulated. Chairman confirmed late delivery to some properties on Mansfield Road. Clerk reported complaint from resident of Mansfield Road about a number of items including lack of services on Mansfield Road and alienated from the village. Cllr Hull volunteered to edit the next issue in late April.

Item 13 Councillors' Reports Letter received from the Pumping Station Trust Secretary about their Conservation Plan and Council's wish to provide a connecting footpath. Copy of the Trust's magazine circulated.

3. **CORRESPONDENCE**

The following correspondence had been circulated to Cllrs.

Action for Market Towns – Seminar 22nd March

Action for Wildlife Newsletter No 11

A. Ward Landscapes – offering services

Base Play – info sheet of playground equipment on offer

Brake - Road Safety Week – 31st March to 6th April - Information sent for.

Country Landowners Asssoc. Charitable Trust

Acknowledgement of grant application – Moor Pond Wood

Cllr Lonergan

Copy emails with Andy Wickham at Notts. CC re Sherwood Study

CPRE Newsletter No 17

Traffic Calming – Local Plan Rural Schemes

Dept Environment Transport Regions

Local Government Act 2000 – Draft Model Code of Conduct

EMDA 'Email magazine

Fieldfare Trust – BT Millennium Miles – information for MPW Project

Gedling CVC information

Gedling BC

Help shape the future conference – 12th February
Local Community Funds information
Conference – Future of Your Council
Confirmation of £4,000 grant towards disabled access – Moor Pond Wood
Register of Electors 2001
Email from GBC re condition of Main Street pavement

Gedling CVS

Community Eye/Health Improvement Plan Consultation/
Calverton IT Drop in Sessions

Greenwood Community Forest

Calendar of Events 2001/Out and About in the Greenwood leaflet
Friends of GCF meeting 1st March (Moor Pond Wood) Maureen attending
Community Conservation Award of £1,000 (Moor Pond Wood – fencing)
Receipt of award acceptance/enc. project report and grant claim forms
Community Awards ceremony

Home Office – holocaust memorial day

NALC

Local Council Review January 2000
Courses for 2001 and Conference on 3rd March – Rural White Paper

National Lotteries Board News Issue No 12

Notts. Council for Voluntary Youth Services – January meetings (too late)

Notts. CC

'Exploring the Robin Hood Line' booklet of walk
Travel & Transport Briefing Notes January/February
Planning & Property Briefing Notes February
Travel Planner Winter 2000/2001
Animateur Programme
Area Child Probation Committee – open forum 1st March
Rights of Way – map of gas pipeline re Walters Hill footpath (P3)
Your Environment Issue No 7 and Countylink
Acknowledgement of Local Transport Plan submissions
Notts. CC/Ashfield District Council - Hidden Valley

Notts. Police Authority 'Burning issues' January 2001

Notts. RCC

Rural Voice/Local Community Funds
Notts Assoc. Village & Community Halls courses/Charity Commission Roadshows
European Computer Driving Licence information
Virtual Village Forum meeting – 8th February/Mins of 12th Dec meeting
NAVACH Charity Commission Roadshows/IT Drop in Sessions at
Website Action Plan
Virtual Village information re training courses

Notts. Wildlife Trust

Natural World Magazine /"GNAT"/Gift Aid/Energy Efficient items

Paddy Tipping letter of thanks for Moor Pond Wood photo calendar and agreement to officially open the Walters Hill footpath.

Papplewick Pumping Station letter of thanks for donation/conservation plan

Pathfinder (North Notts. information, Advice & Guidance Partnership)

Village Ladies Annual Trivia Quiz – 11th May 2001

The following information was received by the Clerk and actioned:

BTCV

Deadwood Course 27th Feb (Clerk, J Kendall, S Walker, J Zinn attending)

Membership details and insurance guide

Cllr J Lonergan – Request for £5,000 from Community Priorities Budget.

CPRE subscription renewal

Notts. CC/NALC re foot and mouth disease restrictions – guidance notes and rights of way closure posters.

Paddy Tipping calendar distributed to Cllrs/parishioners/noticeboard

Moor Pond Wood Project - emails between archaeologist/ecological consultant re site meetings

4. HIGHWAYS

Email received from Chris Charnley re 'Decision on Spending for Road Maintenance, in that "Notts. CC negotiating a new agency agreement with Gedling BC prior to formal approaches re improved partnership working".

- (a) **Linby Lane** – Chris Charnley. Notts. CC confirmed work to the layby area will be undertaken in the next financial year.
- (b) **Forest Lane** – Chairman confirmed road closure notification had been received re construction of a layby for Severn Trent's tanker when attending their pumping equipment. However, having received several letters of complaint from residents he felt extremely strongly about the parish not being consulted. He reported on his emergency call to Gedling following confusion/lack of adequate signage, including incident when the school bus had to turn round.
- (b) **Main Street** – Gedling's response re camber of pavement "although there is a roll over at the edge of the footway, most of the footway width has an acceptable crossfall. Under the circumstances, I am not convinced that there is appropriate justification for any works at the moment". Clerk to have further discussions.

- (c) **Notts. C Local Transport Plan – Rural Schemes** – Cllr Hull and Clerk completed forms in respect of:-

Forest Lane B6011/A60 Mansfield Road Junction queuing traffic/dangerous manoeuvres/left hand filter needed.

Main Street/Blidworth Way – speeding traffic/gateway needed.

Moor Road – speeding traffic/gateway needed/speed limit reduction.

Ash Lane – reduction in speed limit.

As this scheme related to highways, forms had not completed in respect of pavement areas to Main Street, A60 and Moor Road. With regard to the crossroads further slow signs are still to be installed.

Chairman suggested a meeting was needed with Gedling to discuss the many areas where the Parish Council felt satisfaction with the service being given. and he agreed to write. Cllr Walker proposed a copy be sent to Notts. CC in view of their negotiations with Gedling and Cllr Whetton suggested a copy also be sent to the Leader of Gedling BC.

5. **CEMETERY PROVISION**

Chairman had discussed this with Linby Parish Council's Chairman and a meeting to be arranged to move it forward. He informed Cllrs that St James' Churchyard may never re-open as a result of the subsidence damage and number of natural springs.

6. & 8. **COMPUTER FACILITIES/WEBSITE**

Village Hall Management Committee had given written agreement to the use of the Bradbury Suite and confirmation received of a grant of £981.50 from the Notts. Rural Priorities Area – cheque awaited. Final capital grant of £782 received from Gedling BC for the dedicated cupboard, with the balance to be used towards equipment.

Cllr Hull reported on investigations regarding installation/rental of telephone line and connection/charges for internet services. Clerk informed Cllrs of discussions with Notts. Rural Community Council re software/equipment. Also that Prima had confirmed an annual charge of £69.99 to host the website and provide an ISP line. Chairman proposed an appropriate BT line organised and ISP through Prima. Seconded by Cllr Hull and agreed.

Chairman confirmed interest in the project and a willingness to help by teenager Matthew Walster. Cllr Hull read a letter prepared for circulation to all Village Hall user groups re providing information about their groups for the website.

Cllr Walker proposed a group be set up to manage/maintain the computer facilities and this was agreed.

7. **TIDY BRITAIN CAMPAIGN**

Application submitted with request for tabards. Organised for the 7th April and details included in the last Newsletter. 'Friends of Moor Pond Wood' to join in the

project with ATC cadets agreeing to litter pick around the wood (other areas of the village to be covered if the foot and mouth restrictions still in force).

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Cllr Walker to co-ordinate with specific areas to be included: new footpath and layby on Blidworth Way. Clerk to contact Gedling BC re borrowing litter pickers. Cllr Walker approached by a parishioner who agreed to regularly litter pick if an appropriate tool was provided. He therefore proposed two 'litter pickers' be purchased (second for the playing field attendant). Cllr Passey seconded and unanimously agreed.

9. **QUEEN'S GOLDEN JUBILEE 2001**

Mrs Kerr had put forward at the last meeting a suggestion by parishioners to celebrate this event. Following discussion it was agreed an article be placed in the Newsletter asking if parishioners in favour and requesting volunteers to organise the event.

10. **PLANNING**

(a) **General** - The following applications were received and no objections made:-

2000/0143 - 57 Moor Road (Single storey kitchen and garden room extension)

2001/0144 - 3, 4 & 5 Hall Mews (**Listed Building Consent** – erection of identical rear porches)

2001/0145 - (ditto)

(Gedling Borough Council's recommendation is to refuse this)

2001/0252 - 145 Moor Road (First floor side extension)

Although the Council had no objections in principle to the following application concern was expressed over its size:-

2001/0178 – 52 Main Street (Two storey side extension and alterations to front elevation and alterations to vehicular access) Included revised plan.

Tarmac – Bestwood Quarry II (Devil's Elbow, A.60 Mansfield Road)
Application going to committee w/c 5th March. Tarmac requesting permission to extend Bestwood Quarry II and Burntstump in return for not quarrying adjacent to Bestwood Country Park.

(b) **Ashfield District Council & Gedling Borough Council Local Plans**

Ashfield local plan inquiry commenced – No representative from Papplewick attending but two local representatives attending on behalf of Hucknall Against Rural Development and CPRE.

Chairman confirmed Papplewick would be represented at the Gedling inquiry but no dates confirmed yet.

11. **ACCOUNTS**

Income: Gedling Borough Council - £782.00 capital grant allocation to purchase the cupboard and equipment for the project to provide computer facilities in the Village Hall.

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Expenditure: No payments had been made since the last meeting from the Parish Council current account.

Accounts to be paid:

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| 000133 | Progressive Office Supplies | £9.95 | £1.74 | £11.69 |
| 000134 | Petty Cash: | £35.51 | - | £35.51 |
| | Bus Shelter Cleaning – 24.00 (8 @ £3, (11.1.01 to 8.3.01 adjustment made to year end) | | | |
| | Telephone - 4.10 | | | |
| | Postage - 7.41 | | | |
| 000135 | Clerk's Salary (2nd payment) | £966.50 | - | |
| | Clerk's Expenses " " | £39.00 | - | £1,005.50 |
| 000136 | Prima | | | 69.99 |
| 000137 | District Audit (1999/200 audit) | £141.90 | £24.83 | £166.73 |

MOOR POND WOOD ACCOUNTS

Income:

Countryside Agency, LHI grant - £1,550
RSNC – Powergen 50% of grant - £4,990
Donation from photo calendars - £54

Payments:

| <u>Chq No</u> | <u>Payable to</u> | <u>Nett</u> | <u>VAT</u> | <u>Total</u> |
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| 000003 | Progressive Office Supplies | £25.03 | £4.39 | £29.42 |
| 000004 | BTCV Subscription | £25.00 | - | £25.00 |
| 000005 | Mrs M Hollinrake (petty cash) | £50.00 | - | £50.00 |

Chairman proposed acceptance of the accounts, seconded by Cllr Womble and unanimously agreed. For information Cllrs were shown examples of reports that can be produced by the new computer accounting.

12. REPRESENTATIVE/COMMITTEE UPDATES:

(a) **Moor Pond Wood** – Clerk confirmed wood purchased for dipping platform and Lee Scudder liaising with ATC re construction. Further 'Friends' meeting organised for 6th April and an application submitted to Notts. Rural Community Council for a £2,500 grant from the Coalfields Communities Fund towards disabled access.

(b) **Parish Paths Partnership** – Following information received from Notts. CC about footpath closure due to the foot and mouth disease the Chairman and Clerk undertook a risk assessment resulting in the closure of all footpaths in the parish. Notices were subsequently posted on all paths including Moor

Pond Wood. Chairman hoped that as a result of current government discussions the closure would be lifted within a couple of weeks, as Nottinghamshire was free from the disease.

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Chairman had received a request that the dog bin in Moor Pond Wood be taken out of the restricted area. He had agreed and the restriction tape had been moved to give access.

Cllr Womble confirmed the P3 Strategic Document had been produced and would be circulated. Copies were being sent to all relevant bodies.

- (c) **Playing Field** – Cllr Passey reported no problems, only a small amount of rubbish. She questioned whether some sand should be used in the goalmouth, which was very boggy. Cllr Mrs Orton reported rusting rails on the igloo. To be inspected.
- (d) **Village Hall** – Cllr Passey informed everyone about a Cheese and Wine evening on the 5th April

12. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Cllr Orton had received a request from Sherwood House for the use of the display boards for their anniversary event on the 6th April? This was agreed.

Cllr Walker reported that the 30mph sign on Moor Road outside the barn conversion had a large hole at its base. Also the kerbstones on the corner of Moor Road and Linby Lane were loose. Clerk to report to Gedling BC.

Cllr Walker also reported an increase in fly tipping, particularly by the entrance to the Sansom Wood area off Ash Lane and by the railway bridge just before the Pumping Station.

Cllr Womble also reported rubbish in the layby on Devil's Elbow. The Layby on Blidworth Way was also mentioned.

Cllr Mrs Passey reported that the Griffins Head field had been used for karting as the organiser's usual field had been closed due to foot and mouth. A potential noise problem had been raised. Chairman felt if this was to be a one off there was no problem, but if it became a regular event the situation would need to be reassessed.

Cllr Mr Hull thanked everyone for their good wishes on his recent marriage.

Clerk reported that Cllr Walker, Mrs Kendall and herself had attended the last 'Friends of Greenwood Community Forest' meeting held at Vicar Water, Clipstone. A talk was given by Mrs Angie Essom about the Countryside Agencies Local Heritage Grant and the Papplewick representatives were able to 'pass on' on valuable first hand information.

Clerk passed on information relating to various courses on offer.

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, 9th May.