

TREETON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 15th FEBRUARY 2010 at 7.00 p.m.

Present: Councillor: J.F. Swift (Chairman)
Councillors: R.J. Baker, D.A. Goy (from 8.15 p.m.), M. Scott, A. Roddison,
Ms. J. Swift and D. Whysall.
In attendance: C.J. Brown and G. Boyes.

2010/125 Apologies for Absence.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors G.E. Payne and G. Nightingale.

2010/126 Minutes of Meeting.

Minutes of the meeting held on 25th January 2010 were taken as read, copies having been circulated to all members of the council.

Resolved: That the minutes are approved.

Proposed: Councillor D. Whysall.

Seconded: Councillor Ms J. Swift.

2010/127 Matters Arising.

2010/097 b) Councillor Boyes confirmed that the Old School House would be offered up for sale sometime in the future, but no timescale was available.

2010/128 Meeting with Wendy Dickinson – Age Concern.

Wendy Dickinson attended the meeting following her letter regarding the Fit As A Fiddle Project.

She outlined the various projects that were currently running at different venues within the Borough, and what impact they were having on the residents. Councillors outlined what facilities were available in the village and as to the groups that there were and the facilities that they offered. She was given contact details of various organisers of current events in the village with a view to perhaps running joint ventures on the fitness project.

2010/129 Spa Well Crescent.

Karen Haycox of Spa Well Crescent attended the meeting to highlight the problems of parking on Spa Well Crescent. In the early hours of the previous Saturday morning the Borough Council grit lorry was having difficulty manoeuvring around the parked vehicles on Spa Well Crescent and in doing so managed to damage the side and wing of one of the parked vehicles. Councillor J.F. Swift was to take up the matter with James Mossman of the Borough Council with a view to letters being sent to the residents advising them of the problems that their parking was creating. If an emergency vehicle had to attend for any reason, they too would have problems using the road. The local PCSO's who were in attendance at the meeting were also to keep an eye on the area.

2010/130 Correspondence Received.

- a) Rotherham MBC – Provision of additional salt bins. A letter was received advising of the new approved rules for the provision of additional salt bins on the highway. Copies of this had been circulated to all members of the council.
- b) S.Y.P.T.E. – A Platform for Change. An update on the developments of Rotherham Central Railway Station.
- c) Allotment and Garage Site Application. Application was received from Darren Hyde of Well Lane for consideration for an allotment and garage plot on the Well Lane site.

Resolved: That the applicant be added to the current waiting list.

- d) South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue. Copy of their February briefing.

- e) Yorkshire Local Councils Association. Notification was received of a new model Standing Orders. It was recommended that councils review their current Standing Orders with a view to adopting the new model. The clerk was to look at the model with a view to a version being adopted by the Parish Council.

2010/131 Allotment, Environment and Cemeteries.

- 2010/131 a)** Councillor Whysall enquired about the progress on moving the Burial Ground tap. Councillor J.F. Swift felt that the problems mainly occurred during the summer months and that the problem would be monitored. Councillor Roddison suggested putting in an alternative type of tap to stop water running. Councillor Whysall felt that the only solution to this problem long term was to have the tap moved as it was a continuing problem. Councillor J.F. Swift was to price up moving the tap to the entrance gate.
- 2010/131 d)** Councillor Whysall again enquired as to the progress on having the damaged roadway to the Working Men's Club repaired. Councillor J.F. Swift whilst querying the actual depth of the problem was to raise the issue with James Mossman of the Borough Council. It was also confirmed that the consideration was being given to selling the land for the new doctor's surgery development.
- 2010/131 c)** The Chairman reported that the gates to the Cemetery had now been stripped and repainted.
- 2010/131 d)** Councillor Whysall suggested that the allotment sub-committee meet to discuss and review the current allotment agreements.
- 2010/131 e)** Councillor Whysall advised that the person who currently grew the plants that the Parish Council used for planting around the village had now retired. He had spoken with Mr. Eric Tillery who was prepared to supply and re-soil the current beds.

Resolved: That Mr. Tillery supplies the plants for the forthcoming year to the value of £150

Proposed: Councillor A. Roddison.

Seconded: Councillor M. Scott.

2010/132 Youth Club.

The Chairman advised that the first course at the new cyber café had now been closed as all the places had been allocated. Two further courses had been planned, one for digital camera work and the other a first aid course.

The numbers currently attending the two sessions were 40 on Tuesday and 70 on Thursday. Recently the Baptist Chapel had started a Youth Club on a Tuesday evening. Comment was made that it was strange to open on an evening when there were already facilities in the village.

2010/133 Police and the Local Community.

The meeting was attended by three of the local PCSO's.

It was reported that on the previous Friday evening there had been four off road bikes riding through the village. Damage had been caused outside the OAP centre and photographs of this were provided. They were also asked to take a look at the parking problem on Spa Well Crescent.

2010/0134 Area Assembly.

The Chairman advised that the Youth Club had submitted an application for, and had been awarded, a grant of £200 towards the cost of a spring trip that they were organising for the children.

2010/135 Planning Applications.

There had been two application submitted since the last meeting:

RB2010/0059 Application to determine whether prior notice of approval is required of the siting and appearance of a telecommunications cabinet at land at Rother Crescent.

TPO No. 1 Land within the cartilage of rectory Cottage, Church Lane.

Resolved: There were no objections to these applications.

A letter was also received from the Chief Executives Office advising of the latest Training Sessions held by the Planning Board. They were to be held on 18th February, 25th March and 15th April. All were to be held at Bailey House.

2010/136 Any Other Urgent Business.

- 2010/136 a)** Councillor Scott reported that there were two lamps out on Treetown Crescent, these were being looked into and had been reported.
- 2010/136 b)** Councillor Whysall enquired about the parking problems of residents on Treetown Crescent. The Chairman advised that 5 purpose built parking spaces would be created in the near future.

2010/137 Finance and General Purposes Committee.

- 2010/137 a)** The clerk outlined the accounts to date, and produced a copy of the cashbook and an up to date financial statement of the council's affairs.
- 2010/137 b)** The following accounts were approved for payment.

	£
Rotherham MBC	9,428.43
Currys	610.00
Petty Cash	61.48
First Direct - Visa - Direct Debit	238.04
C.J. Brown	574.84
M. Brumfield	144.06
R. Bolton	321.73
D. Wilson	220.20
B. Baynham	99.46
G. Walker	49.83
L. Gregory	164.66
J. Gregory	217.06
I.G. Mason	235.26
British Gas Business	557.81
Glendale Ltd.,	391.08
Lemark Office Equipment	17.63
Petty Cash	230.00

- 2010/137 c)** A third quotation had been received by the council for the replacement windows. Councillor Goy was to clarify the costs of this quote with the person involved and make his recommendation to the next meeting of the council.
- 2010/137 d)** The clerk had prepared a draft replacement constitution which he submitted to the council for their approval. Following a recent request for a copy, no trace of the current one or its existence could be found.

Resolved: That the draft be approved.

Proposed: Councillor D.A. Goy.
Seconded: Councillor R.J. Baker.

- 2010/137 e)** Following a request from a resident to Councillor Payne regarding the Rates charges by the Parish Council over the last few years, the clerk had prepared an article for the

next edition of the Parish Council Newsletter, which outlined the reasons for the amount precepted over the last four years and also the effects on council balances and how for the next financial year the amount requested at been reduced by 9%.

Resolved: That the article is included in the next edition of the Newsletter.

Proposed: Councillor D.A. Goy.

Seconded: Councillor Ms. J. Swift.

2010/138 Date of Next Meeting.

The date of the next meeting was arranged for Monday 22nd March 2010 at 7.00 p.m.

The meeting closed at 9.25 p.m.

Chairman:

Date: