

TREETON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 26th APRIL 2010 at 7.00 p.m.

Present: Councillor: J.F. Swift (Chairman)
Councillors: G.E. Payne, A.S. Roddison and D. Whysall.
In attendance: C.J. Brown.

2010/153 Apologies for Absence.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors R.J. Baker, D.A. Goy and Ms J. Swift.

2010/154 Minutes of Meeting.

Minutes of the meeting held on 22nd March 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 A.S. Roddison.

2010/155 Matters Arising.

- 2010/136 b) It was confirmed that cars were still parking on the footpath. It was also confirmed that the parking bays will be marked in the near future. Councillor Roddison explained how the funding was being used to improve parking, not only in the village but throughout the Borough. In each case there had been no intervention from any Parish Council. Projects were identified and funded externally.
- 2010/142 Councillor Whysall was surprised that no-one from Arundel Street was in attendance at the meeting. The Miners Welfare continued to have problems, particularly with deliveries. It was also reported that two residents would require drop kerbs installing.

2010/156 Correspondence Received.

- a) Garage Plot Exchange – A letter was received from Mrs. C. Smith requesting to exchange her plot with that of another tenant when that plot became available.
Resolved: That Mrs. Smith is placed on the current waiting list.
- b) Allotment Tenancy continuation – A letter was received from Mrs. Doreen Middleton wife of the late Ken Middleton requesting to continue with the allotment plot in her late husbands name which they worked together.
Resolved: That Mrs. Middleton is allowed to continue with the tenancy.
Discussion also took place on the allowing of widows to continue tenancy of allotments after the deaths of their husbands.
Resolved: In future such cases, the widow who has assisted on the allotment plot of her husband be allowed to continue with the tenancy.
Proposed: Councillor D. Whysall.
Seconded: Councillor A.S. Roddison.
- c) Rotherham MBC – Grounds Maintenance 2010-2011. A letter was received advising that the charge for the year would be £652.96 plus vat and that confirmation was requested for the 2nd April 2010. The clerk had already notified Richard Malkin of the wish to continue with the maintenance.
- d) Rother Valley West Area Parish Council Network – Minutes of the last meeting held on 19th January 2010 were received.
- e) Rotherham MBC – Co-opted members of Scrutiny Panels. Notification of the panels and the members required were received. No councillors expressed an interest in applying for any of the positions.

2010/157 Allotment, Environment and Cemeteries.

2010/157 a) Councillor Whysall advised council that it looked like the problems that Mrs. Martin was encountering at her bungalow may soon be resolved. It would appear that there was a burst

pipe under her bungalow and that was the cause of the problems. Repairs should be completed later that week.

2010/157 b) Councillor J.F. Swift advised of the problems being caused by the new Jones Homes development. They had caused problems at the site of the old colliery wheel on Wood Lane by removing turf and excavating the site and the Rother Crescent residents were also experiencing problems with dust. It would appear that they were not using water as per planning consent.

Resolved: A letter is sent to David Temple, Karl Battersby, Chris Wilkinson and Paul Woodcock on the matter also advising that the parish Council had not signed the section 106 agreement for the first phase site.

2010/157 c) Councillor Swift advised council that footpath renovations would be taking place in the village commencing on the 10th May. The areas covered by this would be Mill Lane and Arundel Street, Road and Avenue. Councillor Roddison asked if consideration could be given to those who required a dropped kerb, but it was felt that that would be unfair on others in the village who had paid to have theirs dropped.

2010/158 Recreation Grounds and Play Areas.

It was reported that the next meeting of the management committee had been arranged for 12th May starting at 7.00 p.m.

2010/159 Youth Club.

The Chairman advised that the numbers attending were increasing. He also reported that each employee in the Youth Club was in need of their CRB check being updated. This could be done through Rotherham MBC and the cost would be £234.

Resolved: That the Chairman arranges for the CRB checks to be updated.

2010/0160 Area Assembly.

The Chairman advised that the next meeting would be held in the village. There would be a presentation on the Waverley project and a Police Officer speaking about speeding in the village.

2010/161 Education Report.

Councillor Roddison reported that the Ofsted Report had highlighted several issues that needed attending to. He added that these were minor in nature and had all now been resolved.

2010/162 Planning Applications.

There had been five applications submitted since the last meeting:

RB2010/0321 Extension to existing detached double garage to form triple garage (amendment to previously approved under RB2009/0770 to include semi hipped roof in place of hipped roof) at 7 Cannonthorpe Rise.

RB2010/0391 Alterations to form third storey at Hill Top, Washfield Lane.

RB2010/0397 Formation of cricket practice area and erection of fencing at Treeton memorial & Playing Fields, Washfield Lane.

RB2010/0410 Erection of an electricity sub-station at land off Rother Crescent.

RB2010/0470 Replacement of existing concrete panels with brick cavity wall (Application under regulations 3 & 9a of the Town & Country Planning General Regulations 1992) at 1,3,5,7,9,11 Burntwood Crescent.

Resolved: That council had no objections in principle to any of the applications, however, the clerk was asked to request further details on the exact location for RB2010/0410 before a decision could be made.

2010/163 Public Question Time

Mrs Gill raised the following issues:

Fires at the rear of Mill Lane, Rubbish bins removed and set on fire – The Police advised that the area was the subject of various operations.

Was there a need to apply for change of use for 53 Mill Lane to a building supplier – Councillor J.F. Swift was to clarify the situation.

Was Johnnie Johnson Housing submitting application to build bungalows – there was no application known of at this time.

2010/164 Any Other Urgent Business.

2010/164 a) Councillor Whysall asked if a letter of congratulations be sent to Roy and June Bloom on there receiving an MBE for services to the community.

Resolved: A letter of congratulations is sent.

2010/164 b) Councillor Whysall asked if some consideration be given to the cleaners for the additional work that they put in after the windows had been replaced.

Resolved: That the Chairman considers the time spent and advises the clerk accordingly.

2010/165 Finance and General Purposes Committee.

2010/165 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.

2010/165 b) The following accounts were approved for payment.

	£
First Direct - Visa - Direct Debit	2.00
G T Trade Windows - Bank Transfer	3,722.31
Rotherham Crematorium & Cemetery	
- Bank Transfer	620.00
Rotherham MBC	160.16
C.J. Brown	552.63
M. Brumfield	131.92
R. Bolton	321.73
D. Wilson	220.20
B. Baynham	99.66
G. Walker	49.83
L. Gregory	164.66
J. Gregory	156.26
I.G. Mason	235.26
Pyrotecnix Ltd.,	601.60
Rotherham MBC	351.20
Yorkshire Local Councils Assoc	601.00
Rotherham MBC	234.00

2010/165 c) The clerk confirmed that the Audit of the Parish Councils accounts for the Year Ended 31st March 2010 was to be held on 2nd June 2010. He had already the necessary arrangements with the internal auditor, Paul Wickson, to audit the accounts in preparation.

2010/165 d) The completed Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2010 was presented to the council for approval.

Resolved: That the statement is approved.

Proposed: Councillor D. Whysall.

Seconded: Councillor A.S. Roddison.

2010/165 e) That the Statement of Assurance of the Council, for the year ended 31st March 2010 be accepted and signed.

Resolved: That the statement is approved.

Proposed: Councillor D. Whysall.
Seconded: Councillor A.S. Roddison.

2010/165 f) The clerk was continuing to prepare the new Standing Orders and copies had been electronically circulated to all members for their consideration. It was hoped that they would be approved at the next council meeting.

2010/165 g) Following the recent electrical problems in the Reading Rooms, some of which had been fixed, the contractor concerned had been asked to review the whole electrical installation in the Reading Rooms. His conclusion was that there were many safety issues that needed immediate attention, type of supply to various boxes, non existent earthing and other minor problems. To replace the existing wiring, install new consumer units and remedy the other various minor problems a price of £2,826 plus vat was quoted. The company submitting the quotation was Pyrotecnix Ltd.

Resolved: In view of the severity of the problems and the safety issues raised, that the quote received be accepted and the work requested to be carried out as soon as was possible.

Proposed: Councillor D. Whysall.
Seconded: Councillor G.E. Payne.

2010/166 Date of Next Meeting.

The date of the next meeting was arranged for Monday 24th May 2010 to follow the Annual General Meeting.

The meeting closed at 8.35 p.m.

Chairman:

Date: