

# TREETON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 24<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2011 at 7.00 p.m.

**Present:** Councillor: J.F. Swift (Chairman)  
Councillors: R.J. Baker, Ms A.D. Beckingham, D.A. Goy, M.P. Hanberry,  
M. Scott, Ms J. Swift and D. Whysall.  
In attendance: C.J. Brown.

## **2011/126 Minutes of Meeting.**

Minutes of the meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> September 2011 were taken as read, copies having been circulated to all members of the council.

**Resolved:** That the minutes are approved.

Proposed: Councillor D.A. Goy.  
Seconded: Councillor D. Whysall.

## **2011/127 Matters Arising.**

- 2011/114 a) The Chairman advised that for the Waverley development there were to be four different developers.
- 2011/114 d) Tower Mint Medals - Councillor Hanberry had been in contact with the school who were due to get back to him. There were approximately 240 on the roll currently. Discussion was held as to whether to open it up to other children but it was decided to remain with those who were at the village school. Once the clerk had been advised of the final numbers he was to order the relevant number of medals.
- 2011/114 j) In response to the Councils request to move the 30 mph speed limit to nearer the nursing home, it was replied that when planning projects like this various factors are taken into consideration like the relocation requested by the council, as the land at the point requested is more rural the likelihood is that motorists would be less likely to take notice of the restriction that at the place currently.
- 2011/114 n) The Chairman confirmed that the arrangements had been made for the sports coach to provide coaching from early November although not at the early time he had requested. This was to allow children to get home from school and attend if they wished. The arrangement was flexible and if numbers did not reach expected numbers the sessions would be cancelled. The clerk confirmed that the amount quoted £1,240 would be the total cost to the council as he would be using the facility of the artificial surface which would be free.

## **2011/128 Correspondence Received.**

- a) Notification was received of a free event that was being held at the Magna Science and Adventure Park on the 27<sup>th</sup> October. This was a Fair's Fayre and was to last from 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.
- b) Rother Valley West Assembly – Updated details of their Operation Fawkes, this gave details of events and their times around the Assembly area.
- c) Support 4 dyslexia – their October newsletter was received.
- d) RotherFed – Notification of an open meeting that was to take place on the 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2011 between 1.00 p.m. and 3.30 p.m. to discuss the future of the Area Housing Panels. The meeting was to be held at the Springwell Gardens Community Centre. Anyone wishing to attend was asked to notify them beforehand.
- e) South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue – their member briefing and newsletter for October were received.
- f) Allotment Application – application was received for an allotment from a Mr. T. Darksend.  
**Resolved:** That they be placed on the current waiting list.
- g) Rotherham Crematorium – A letter was received advising that from the 1<sup>st</sup> November 2011 the services provided by Dignity Funerals would be changing. The clerk was to speak with Dave Hubbard of Foers Funeral Directors on the matter.

- h) Boundary Commission for England – Notification on the consultation of the 2013 review of Parliamentary constituencies in England was to continue until the 5<sup>th</sup> December 2011. Details of how to gain details of the consultation were given in the letter.
- i) Rotherham MBC – Vacancies on the RMBC/Parish and Town Councils Joint Working Group. A letter was received from Paul Griffiths advising that there were currently vacancies on the above groups if any councillor was interested in applying for them. Expressions of interest were requested by the end of November 2011. Depending upon the number received would determine whether a co-option or ballot was to be held.
- j) S.Y.P.T.E. – Notification of bus changes that were to come into effect from the 30<sup>th</sup> October. One which affected Treeton was the service 33 with daytime frequency increased to every 20 minutes.

### **2011/129 Allotment, Environment and Cemeteries.**

**2011/129 a)** The proposed yellow lines on High Hazels Crescent although now formally approved by the Borough Council still had not been painted. The reason for the delay was that five residents were refusing to move their cars as objections to the lines being painted. As Rotherham MBC did not want to get into a situation like that in Mill Lane where the surface was re-laid around a parked car, the lines had not as yet been painted until the issue had been resolved.

Resolved: The Chairman was asked to take the matter up with Rotherham MBC to take enforcement action if necessary.

**2011/129 b)** The remedial tree work had been completed in the cemetery. Replacement trees were now to be considered for planting in the near future. Work on the tap and soak away had also taken place and it was hoped that this would resolve the problems in that area. Councillor Scott enquired if the water was to be turned off during the winter and if so a notice needed to be placed advising of this. It was replied that as the pipe work was now lagged there were no plans to switch off the water unless temperatures dropped really low.

**2011/129 c)** A tree surgeons report was received on the condition of the trees adjacent to the Nursery. The Chairman was to contact Rotherham MBC and request that they come out and prepare a report on the trees.

Councillor Hanberry declared an interest in this item.

**2011/129 d)** There were continuing problems outside Nicols shop. The Chairman was to contact the Environmental Health regarding the problem the following day.

**2011/129 e)** Councillor Whysall raised the issue of the land currently owned by the co-op and subject of the recent planning application for a housing development. He was suggesting that the land be tarmacaded and used as a car park for the village school and an area of land further up the road adjacent to the boat club access be allocated for the commercial development. It as replied that the area suggested as an alternative was in the LDF proposal as an area suitable for residential development in the future. Councillor Hanberry advised felt that the commercial development should not be forgotten as it was desperately needed at that end of the village.

**2011/129 f)** The chairman advised of an incident on the boat club access road earlier in the day. A gentleman had collapsed on the access road and although an ambulance attended they could not get access to the person and the fire brigade had to be called to cut off the lock. Whilst the incident did not result in a fatality it highlighted the problems off access to the site.

Resolved: A letter is sent to the boat club advising of the incident and requesting keys that could be kept in the Reading Rooms.

### **2011/130 Recreation Ground and Play Areas.**

The goalpost which had recently been removed from the Well Lane play area was to be replaced in the near future with a safer style post.

An email was received by the Chairman from Keith Haynes of the cricket club regarding the future of playing facilities in the coming years. Currently the Ladies and third team use the facilities on Bawtry Road owned by Hallam University. These facilities are to be cut back to allow additional soccer facilities. Other clubs in the area are also suffering similar problems. A possible solution was to use the 'Cow Field' as a cricket facility. Mr. Haynes had already made enquiries with both Sport England and the Coalfield Regeneration Trust who could grant up to £150,000 in grants to develop the site. These developments would include drainage, creation of pitches, changing facilities and fencing around the field. All the boxes are ticked other than having a lease from the landlord (Treeton Parish Council) to use the land for that facility. A Community Usage Agreement (CUA) usually lasts for seven years. He asked for the Parish Councils support by agreeing to a CUA that would allow them to apply for the grants mentioned.

Councillor Goy outlined the current usage of the field and the benefits of taking them as a tenant and suggested inviting Mr. Haynes to a meeting.

Resolved: Due to the urgency of the matter, the Chairman was to contact Mr. Haynes and arrange a meeting with available councillors to discuss the project at the earliest opportunity.

#### **2011/131 Youth Club.**

The Chairman reported that there had been interest from an additional group wishing to use the outdoor facility which did not clash with any other usage.

#### **2011/132 Education Report.**

Councillor Whysall advised that the Church Trust Higher Education Grants would again be available in April next year. Anyone interested should apply. He was to provide the clerk with details for inclusion in the next edition of the Parish Council Newsletter.

The Chairman advised that he was now a Trustee of the new Aston Academy.

Following recent problems with children having to walk home from Aston Academy an additional bus had now been placed on the service so there were now two buses available for the children.

#### **2011/133 Police and the Local Community.**

It was reported that there had been another 2 in 1 burglary in the village. An off road bike operation was also to be carried out in the near future.

#### **2011/134 Public Question Time.**

Mrs Gill - Asked if the developers of the Waverley site would be using local labour. It was replied that some of the contractors already had apprenticeships and academies.  
Raised the issue of 52 Mill Lane and the condition of the building since the owner had been refuse planning permission to move the building further back. Building materials were now being stored inside the property.

#### **2011/135 Any Other Urgent Business.**

It was reported that Mr. Whitley of Spa Well Crescent was in need of a handrail. Rotherham MBC had been out and visited the property but the issue still had not been resolved. The Chairman was to take up the matter with the Borough.

#### **2011/136 Finance and General Purposes Committee.**

**2011/136 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.

**2011/136 b)** The following accounts were approved for payment.

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First Direct - Visa	Direct Debit	179.00
Rotherham MBC	Direct Debit	11.02
Dignity UK	Bank Transfer	717.00
C.J. Brown	Bank Transfer	565.06
M. Brumfield	Bank Transfer	128.90
R. Bolton	Bank Transfer	337.15
D. Wilson	Bank Transfer	220.20
B. Baynham	Bank Transfer	99.46
G. Walker	Bank Transfer	99.46
L. Gregory	Bank Transfer	139.46
J. Gregory	Bank Transfer	139.26
I.G. Mason	Bank Transfer	295.05
K.M. Haycox	Bank Transfer	23.17
Rotherham MBC	Bank Transfer	369.15
Petty Cash	Bank Transfer	200.00
Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal		50.00

Proposed: Councillor Ms J. Swift.

Seconded: Councillor R.J. Baker.

**2011/137 Date of Next Meeting.**

The date of the next meeting was arranged for Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2011 at 7.00 p.m.

The meeting closed at 9.10 p.m.

**Chairman:**

**Date:**