

TREETON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 26th OCTOBER 2009 at 7.00 p.m.

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

2010/073 Minutes of Meeting.

Minutes of the meeting held on 28th September 2009 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.

2010/074 Matters Arising.

- 2010/060 The proposed meeting with Rotherham M.B.C. had taken place and discussions were ongoing. A report was being prepared by Rotherham M.B.C. and it was hoped that this would be issued soon. Councillor Whysall advised that Mr. Dunkley had reported the problem on a couple of occasions to the builders, Jones Homes, before building work actually began.
- 2010/050 The issue of the work carried out by the Village Handyman and the Footpaths officer was again discussed at length. The Chairman outlined the work that had been carried out during the last month. Councillor Whysall pointed out that his complaint was not of the work being carried out now but the fact that the flower beds had not been tended during June to August. Councillor Roddison felt that this showed that there was more than enough work for the two employees and perhaps better management of their time was needed.
- 2010/069 c) The Chairman advised that there were now 29 new parking spaces on the Spa Well Crescent garage site and these would be available to anyone in the area who requested one.

2010/075 Correspondence Received.

- a) S.Y.P.T.E. – Letter advising of the service changes that were to be operable from the 26th October. Those that affected the village were the service Monday to Saturday being a service every 30 minutes against the current service every 20 minutes. There was also to be a service to Crystal Peaks hourly.
- b) S.Y.P.T.E. – Letter advising that the South Yorkshire Tram Strategy & Delivery Plan had now been formally adopted.
- c) Rotherham MBC – Letter regarding the parish Review/Community Governance Review. This advised that the proposed boundary changes submitted by the Parish Council had been partially agreed to. The boundary between Treeton and Orgreave was agreed to as this would give more defined lines around the village which did not affect any residential properties. Other boundary changes submitted by the Parish Council were not agreed to as they would have necessitated changes to the Borough Ward Boundaries and the Electoral Commission had no evidence to support that changes. The report also considered the Parish Councils request in 2006 to increase the number of councillors from 9 to 10. This again was not supported. Looking further into the document which gave electors and Parish Councillors by Parish, this confirmed that the number of councillors currently on the Parish Council fell in line with other parishes within the Borough.
- d) S.Y.P.T.E. – Their publication Access to Opportunities Briefing Pack was received.
- e) South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue – October 2009 briefing were received. The clerk advised that in future he would forward this on to all councillors with email.
- f) Produlic – Latest edition of their publication About Play.

- g) Mr. Smith of Treetown Crescent – regarding the proposed car parking arrangements for the residents on Treetown Crescent. The matter was discussed at length and it was explained that the proposal was to harden the grass verge. Letters had been sent out by the Borough Council to the residents concerned. Councillor Roddison explained the situation as he saw it as a resident who may be affected by the change.
- h) RV West Area Assembly – Notification that the forthcoming Parish Council Network meeting was to be cancelled due to Andrea Peers being on sick leave.

2010/076 Allotment, Environment and Cemeteries.

2010/076 a) Councillor Boyes reported on a meeting that she had held with the Police. Councillor Payne read extracts from the traffic survey that had been carried out on High Hazels Crescent during May and June of this year. This showed that in a survey of 15,243 vehicles 9,197 had exceeded the 30 mps speed limit, 3,952 had exceeded this by 35 mph with the fastest being clocked between 71 and 81 mph. Most of the problems had been noted as occurring between 8.00 a.m. and 9.00 a.m. Councillor Goy felt that most of those who had exceeded the speed limit now live on the new estate. The chairman advised that Wood Lane had been closed for the fourth time in recent weeks as a result of a traffic accident. Councillor Baker suggested the creation of a gate system on the entrance to the village from Aughton which would force drivers to stop before entering the village. Councillor Miss J. Swift advised that parking was still a problem on the roundabout. No action could be taken against any of these as the road had not yet been adopted by Rotherham M.B.C. Councillor Roddison advised that Lincoln had temporary signs advising of the speed being driven and being told to slow down. Councillor Boyes was to enquire about these signs in Rotherham.

Resolved: Ken Wheat of the Highways department at Rotherham M.B.C. is invited to the next council meeting to discuss the report and the way forward.

2010/076 b) The Chairman advised councillors that the footpath to Waverley had now been re-opened.

2010/076 c) The conker tree in the Burial ground was still giving rise for concern. Branches had been taken off by the village handyman but there had still been complaints. Councillor Scott who has a family plot adjacent to the one in question advised that he did not have any problems.

2010/076 d) The allotment sub-committee had recently met to discuss vacant plots on the Well Lane site. The clerk was requested to advise the successful people on the waiting list accordingly. Also on the site visit concerns were expressed that Mr. Binns had an allotment full of Turkeys of which he had not had permission for. Concerns were also expressed about Mr. Rawlins hens although he did have permission to keep some.

Resolved: A letter be sent to Mr. Binns advising him that he was not allowed to keep turkeys and giving him whilst the end of the year to remove them, at which time the allotment must be returned to an allotment garden.

2010/077 Recreation Ground and Play Areas.

The Chairman advised that the new Washfield Play area should be locked at 8.00 p.m. but currently this was no the case, and requested that this be raised as an issue at the next Trust Committee meeting.

2010/078 Youth Club.

2010/078 a) The Chairman advised payment for the Laptop computers and dongles for the Cyber café totalling £5,592.83 was required. The order had been placed with Currys.

2010/078 b) The chairman reported that attendance at the Tuesday session was now averaging 30 children whilst the Thursday session was averaging 60 children.

2010/078 c) The requested letter had been sent to the Junior Football. The letter had brought little response from the users.

Resolved: A follow up letter is sent to the Junior Football.

2010/079 Education Report.

Councillor Roddison gave a report on the makeup of the governing body at Treeton School. Most people retained the positions that they had held in the previous year.

2010/080 Planning Applications.

There had been one application submitted since the last meeting:

RB2009/1192 giving six weeks notice of intent to fell a pear tree and prune a holly tree within Treeton Conservation Area at Ivy Cottage, Church Lane.

Resolved: There were no objections to any of this application.

Notification was received from BNP Paribas Real Estates that they were about to submit a revised application for Planning Permission for land adjacent to Sheffield parkway, the Waverley site. This outlined what was to be included in the plans and also advised that the plans could be viewed in the ITC Centre at Waverley AMP from 12 noon to 8.00 p.m. on 23rd November 2009.

Comment was also noted on the recent article in 'The Star' regarding some of the apartments built on the Jones Homes development. It may be that they have been built too high. There was to be a site visit by planner on either Wednesday or Thursday of that week to discuss the matter.

2010/081 Public Question Time.

Mrs Gill raised the following items:

2010/081 a) Parking in Well Lane, Rotherham M.B.C. were to come out and inspect the problem.

2010/081 b) Enquired as to when the Post Office would re open. It had in fact opened that day and it was assumed that this would form part of the estate of the former Post Master.

Mrs Smith raised the following item:

2010/081 c) Key to the lock on the training centre, Councillor J.F. Swift was to look into the matter.

2010/082 Finance and General Purposes Committee.

2010/082 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.

2010/082 b) The following accounts were approved for payment.

	£
First Direct - Visa - Direct Debit	2.00
Rotherham MBC - Direct Debit	53.96
C.J. Brown	576.71
M. Brumfield	142.10
R. Bolton	321.73
D. Wilson	217.40
B. Baynham	98.32
G. Walker	49.06
L. Gregory	162.89
J. Gregory	154.49
R. Bolton	73.28
Assured Fire & Security	8.22
British Gas Business	166.59
Npower Limited	139.34
Rotherham Crematorium & Cemeteries	150.00
TRBL Poppy Appeal NFC12	50.00
C.J. Brown (Re Curry's)	3,592.83

R. Bolton 2.00
I. Mason 20.09

2010/082 c) Councillors felt that a separate meeting of the finance committee should take place to consider the precept for the 2010/2011 financial year.

Resolved: That the meeting be arranged for Monday 16th November 2009 at 7.00 p.m.

2010/083 Date of Next Meeting.

The date of the next meeting was arranged for Monday 23rd November 2009 at 7.00 p.m.

The meeting closed at 8.50 p.m.

Chairman:

Date: