

TREETON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 27th OCTOBER 2008 at 7.00 p.m.

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

2009/068 Apologies for Absence.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor C.L. Nuttall.

2009/069 Minutes of Meeting.

Minutes of the meeting held on 22nd September 2008 were taken as read, copies having been circulated to all members of the council.

Resolved: That the minutes be approved.

Proposed: Councillor D.A. Goy.
Seconded: Councillor G.E. Payne.

2009/070 Matters Arising.

2008/216 a) The proposed Code of Conduct training had taken place as arranged on the 30th September. The chairman expressed his concerns that only one other councillor, the clerk and himself had attended the meeting, particularly as it had been arranged when it was convenient for everyone.

2008/064 Councillor J.F. Swift reported that there was no Weight restriction through the village so there was very little that could be done as regards Lorries passing through the village. It was also reported that Long Lane was now marked out for repairs.

2009/071 Correspondence Received.

- a) S. Hinchliffe & Sons – Reply from the farmer to the request from the Parish Council to purchase a further plot of land adjacent to the Wood Lane Burial Ground as a future extension. Mr. Hinchliffe advised that he did not wish to enter into a long term agreement with the council but at such time in the future that further land was required, the request would be considered, if they were still the owners of the land, at market prices at that time.
- b) Rotherham MBC – All Parish Council Liaison Meeting. Advice that the meeting was to be held the following evening. Councillors had been advised of the meeting and the agenda had now been received.
- c) Town and Parish Standard – A copy of the September 2008 issue was received. A copy of this had been circulated to all councillors.
- d) Rotherham MBC – Parish Network Meeting. Advice that the next meeting was to be held on 27th November 2008 at the Town Hall between 5.00 and 7.45 p.m.
- e) Rotherham M.B.C. – Local Development Framework Online Consultation. Advice on the next stages of the consultation was received together with instructions for online replies which had to be received by the 28th November 2008.
- f) Rotherham M.B.C. – Rock Salt. Advice that Streetpride were no longer able to provide the supply of Rock Salt but advised that this was available from four local D.I.Y. outlets.
- g) Rotherham MBC – Safe and Successful Firework Displays. Information was received from the Borough on how to hold successful Firework Displays, Area Assemblies and Christmas Illuminations.
- h) Children's Play Information Service – Copy to the October update was received.

2009/072 Allotment, Environment and Cemeteries.

Councillor Whysall raised the issue of a shared drive between a privately owned and council owned property on Burntwood Crescent. The fencing had not been replaced and the gap was now being

used as a thoroughfare by youngsters wanting access to Worrall Avenue. Councillor J.F. Swift was to look into the matter.

2009/073 Recreation Ground and Play Areas.

2009/073 a) It was reported that work on the new play area was due to commence on the 9th January 2009 and work was due to be completed by the end of March 2009.

2009/073 b) It was also reported that four items of equipment on the Well Lane playing area had been replaced and one item of equipment on the Washfield Lane site had been removed, all for safety reasons.

2009/073 c) Councillor Scott raised the issue of the land at the rear of the bowling green. The area is usually in an unkempt state and a local resident had asked if he could get a digger to it and garden the site. It was generally assumed that Jones Homes were the owners of the land, but Councillor J.F. Swift was to confirm the ownership of the piece of land with the Borough.

2009/074 Youth Club.

It was suggested that a meeting be set up between the Parish Council representatives and the Youth Club Workers to discuss any issues as soon as possible. It was also reported that the CRB checks of the workers needed renewing. Michael Fellowes was to co-ordinate the process.

2009/075 Area Assembly Report.

Councillor J.F. Swift reported that further finance was to be available from the Borough Council in the next financial year for outreach workers and public footpath cutting following the success of the scheme in the village.

2009/076 Community Capacity Workers Report.

Michael Fellowes gave his report on matters since the last council meeting.

He was awaiting a response from Paul Griffiths at Rotherham MBC regarding the progress on the Parish Council website. The Parish Plan was progressing after a meeting with representatives from the Area Assembly when a plan forward had been agreed. Sarah Kelly had approached the council as regards sponsorship for Asthma UK. He had been in contact with PC Bilton who had agreed to run the Worksop half marathon on their behalf. He raised the issue of the village having a Christmas tree. As this had not been precepted for and the costs were quite expensive it was decided that the idea should not be pursued. The craft group that were using the Reading Rooms to prepare shoebox gift boxes had approached him regarding the possibility of using the Reading Rooms for free.

Resolved: That charges are deferred until the New Year.

Proposed: Councillor D.A. Goy.

Seconded: Councillor M. Scott.

2009/077 Planning Applications.

The following applications had been submitted since the last meeting:

Six weeks notice of intent to fell a sycamore tree within Treeton Conservation Area at Rockview, 2 Front Street.

Six weeks notice of intent to fell a poplar tree within Treeton Conservation Area at 17 Front Street.

Resolved: That the council has no objections to these two applications and the applications were already being looked into by Chris Heczko of Rotherham MBC.

A letter was received from the Planning department advising of an application for planning permission, reference RB2008/0528 submitted by Jones Homes and the Duke of Norfolk would be decided in due course by the Council's Planning Regulatory Board.

The meeting was also attended by residents of Rother Crescent who were affected by the application. A long discussion took place on the way forward for this item and its affects on the residents of the area including Autism UK who were unaware of the original application.

Resolved: The clerk emails David Temple of the Planning department, requesting a deferment of the decision until after the next Parish Council meeting, and Michael Fellowes was requested to arrange a meeting between the Parish Council and Autism Care UK.

Councillor G.E. Payne declared a personal interest in this item.

2009/078 Any Other Urgent Business.

2009/078 a) Councillor Whysall raised the issue of the roadway to the Working Men's Club. Councillor J.F. Swift was to raise the matter with the Borough Council.

2009/078 b) Councillor Whysall also raised the issue of the trees and Ivy overhanging the wall on Front Street and Station Road. Councillor J.F. Swift was to raise the matter with the Borough Council.

2009/078 c) Councillor Miss J. Swift raised the issue of youngsters riding bicycles on High Hazels Crescent on their way home from school. As the road was now being used more and more this presented a major accident risk. The school were to be advised and asked to raise it with the children.

2009/079 Finance and General Purposes Committee.

2009/079 (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.

2009/079 (b) The following accounts were approved for payment.

	£
First Direct Visa – Direct Debit	4.00
Rotherham MBC – Direct Debit	90.00
Busy Bees Childcare Vouchers – Direct Debit	267.28
C.J. Brown	559.70
M. Brumfield	142.07
R. Bolton	317.88
D. Wilson	212.10
B. Baynham	95.98
G. Walker	47.99
L. Gregory	159.57
J. Gregory	151.17
M.J. Fellowes	1,459.54
I.G. Mason	66.06
British Gas Business	93.64
Fowler Sandford & Co.	59.93
Rotherham Crematorium & Cemeteries	1,078.00
TRBL Poppy Appeal NFC12	56.00
M.J. Fellowes – Petty Cash	4.61

2009/079 c) The clerk advised council that all workers currently paid on the National Minimum Wage were now being paid at the new rate applicable from 1st October 2008.

2009/079 d) Councillors were reminded that the TV Licence Grants were to be paid on Saturday 22nd November at 10.30 a.m. and were requested to attend the Reading Rooms to sign the cheques.

2009/080 Date of Next Meeting.

The date of the next meeting was arranged for Monday 24th November at 7.00 p.m.

The meeting closed at 8.30 p.m.

Chairman:

Date: