

TREETON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 27th JULY 2009 at 7.00 p.m.

Present: Councillor: J.F. Swift (Chairman)
Councillors: R.J. Baker (From 7.35 p.m.), D.A. Goy, G.E. Payne, M. Scott,
Ms. J. Swift and D. Whysall.
In attendance: C.J. Brown.

2010/044 Minutes of Meeting.

Minutes of the meetings held on 22nd and 30th June 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 G.E. Payne.

2010/045 Declaration of Interest.

Both Councillors Goy and Payne declared an interest in the agenda item, Planning Applications.

2010/046 Matters Arising.

2010/018 a) A meeting had been arranged for the 12th August at the Cricket Club to discuss the matter of the long term lease. It was requested that this item be placed on the agenda for the September council meeting as a separate item.

2010/032 The Chairman advised that he had met with Mr. Thompson to discuss the issues raised by Mr. Waddington. He advised that the issue had now been resolved to the satisfaction of both parties.

2010/033 Councillor J.F. Swift reported that drainage had now been installed and the culverts had been cleared out. This appeared to solve the problems

2010/034 The Living History Weekend was hailed as a successful event.

Resolved: A letter of thanks for their efforts in making the event such a huge success.

Proposed: Councillor J.F. Swift.

Seconded: Councillor D.A. Goy.

Councillor Payne expressed his concerns over the safety of the ramp which had been constructed to gain access to the Playing Fields for the event and which had remained in place since. Councillor J.F. Swift was to enquire with Rotherham MBC as to the safety implications of leaving the ramp in place.

2010/036 Councillor J.F. Swift reported that the gate missing on the Well Lane Play Area was now to be replaced.

2010/041 b) The chairman advised that there were 5 new garage plots available and there were plans for another 9 in the near future.

2010/047 Correspondence Received.

- a) Rotherham MBC – Sustainability Appraisal of the Rotherham Town Centre. Notification of the publication of the Appraisal and a request for any comments by the 6th August 2009.
- b) Rotherham MBC – Rotherham’s Development Plan, Core Strategy Revised Options. A copy of the Local Development Framework was received. It was requested that councillors advise the clerk of their preferred option as soon as possible so that he could register the council’s vote on the proposals. The chairman favoured option 2.
- c) Notification of the next meeting of the Parish Council Network which was to be held at Aston the following evening. A copy of the minutes of the last meeting was also received. Councillor Goy asked for any items which needed raising, the chairman asked if he could request an update on the boundary changes.

- d) Mencap – Request for a grant towards their operating costs.
Resolved: That the application is noted.
- e) About Play – latest issued of the magazine from Produlic.
- f) Rural matters – Latest edition from the Yorkshire and Humber Rural Affairs Forum.
- g) South Yorkshire Fire and rescue Authority – May edition of their Briefing Note.
- h) Rotherham MBC – Parish Network Meeting. Notification that the meeting had now been rescheduled for 23rd September at 5.30 p.m.

2010/048 Allotment, Environment and Cemeteries.

- 2010/048 a)** Councillor Scott again raised the issue of the trees outside the OAP Centre were in need of pruning.
- 2010/048 b)** The Chairman gave a report on the recent site visit to the village by the Support Services-Assist Team. This advised that the following projects were to be proposed for approval:
Installation of Fencing to top boundary behind the Wardens Centre
Install an A frame gate to the entrance of Holmes Crescent via the Wardens Centre,
Gates to bungalows on Treetown Crescent
Fencing to sides of bungalows at 61 and 63 Treetown Crescent.
Parking bays on Arundel Avenue.
- 2010/048 c)** Councillor Whysall raised a complaint from Mr Spafford regarding a grate, councillor J.F. Swift was to take up the matter.
- 2010/048 d)** Councillor Whysall also raised the issue of the access road to the Working Men's club. Again Councillor J.F. Swift was to take up the matter.

2010/049 Youth Club.

Councillor Ms. J. Swift advised that the numbers were again increasing. A flyer programme was to be carried out in September to raise the profile of the club prior to the winter months.

2010/050 Area Assembly.

The Chairman gave a report on the work that Ian Mason was carrying out as a result of the funding from the Area Assembly. This included clearing the area around the Astro turf play area ready for painting. Councillor Goy added that funding could possibly be obtained by contacting Jim Shaw of the Living Street project.

Resolved: That the clerk contacts Jim Shaw regarding possible funding.

Councillor Whysall raised the issue of the flower beds not being maintained and again the plants from the bottom of Mill Lane had again been stolen.

Councillor Scott raised the issue of the Bowling Green cutting and wanting the grass cutting shorter. He was advised to contact Ian Helliwell regarding the grass cutting.

2010/051 Planning Applications.

There had been three applications submitted since the last meeting:

Erection of Canopy to play area at Treeton C of E J & I School Wood Lane:
Two storey rear extension to replace existing conservatory and extension to existing detached double garage to form triple garage at 7 Cannonthorpe Rise:
Conservatory to front at 15 Bradshaw Avenue.

Resolved: There were no objections to any of the three applications.

2010/052 Public Question Time.

Mrs Gill raised the following items:

- 2010/052 a)** Reports of drains overflowing in Front Street, Station Road and Mill Lane. Councillor J.F. Swift was to look into the problems.

2010/052 b) A problem had been reported at the Living History Weekend. A puppet had been stolen from the camp and was later found damaged and tools were also reported missing from the camp.

2010/053 Any Other Urgent Business.

2010/053 a) Councillor Whysall raised the issue of the damage to the War Memorial. The matter was to be resolved by Rotherham MBC within the next few weeks. The driver involved in the accident was not insured and since the accident 72 slabs had been stolen from the site.

2010/053 b) Councillor Whysall raised the issue of the grass verges on both Long lane and the Wood side not being cut back far enough. The Chairman thought that they had been cut back to the required width but would look into the matter.

2010/053 c) Councillor Goy raised the issue of rubbish accumulating on the roof of the Reading Rooms. The Chairman was aware of the problem and this would be removed within the next week.

2010/053 d) Councillor Goy also raised the issue of the Old School House. Councillor J.F. Swift advised that the chimney was now down but would be re-built and the Borough Council were looking into the future use of the building once brought back up to standard.

2010/053 e) The Chairman advised that the first issue of the Parish Council Newsletter had now been produced. The first issue was to be in A4 size format and would be produced internally.

2010/054 Finance and General Purposes Committee.

2010/054 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.

2010/054 b) The following accounts were approved for payment.

	£
J.M. Smith	110.00
Rotherham MBC - Direct Debit	191.00
First Direct - Visa - Direct Debit	343.90
Rotherham MBC - Direct Debit	191.00
C.J. Brown	587.79
M. Brumfield	143.69
R. Bolton	336.00
D. Wilson	217.40
B. Baynham	98.32
G. Walker	49.26
L. Gregory	162.89
J. Gregory	154.49
I.G. Mason	183.40
J. Whysall	11.17
British Gas Business	209.13
Rotherham Crematorium & Cemeteries	940.00
R. Bolton	10.18
I.G. Mason	6.75

2010/054 e) Co-option of Parish Councillor.

Each councillor had been circulated with the letter of application and CV of each applicant prior to the meeting.

Resolved: Following consideration of their applications and a full discussion it was decided that the position of Parish Councillor be offered to Mr. Andrew Roddison.

Proposed: Councillor D. Whysall.
Seconded: Councillor R.J. Baker.

The clerk was asked to contact both the successful and unsuccessful candidates accordingly.

2010/055 Date of Next Meeting.

The date of the next meeting was arranged for Monday 28th September 2009 at 7.00 p.m.

The meeting closed at 8.40 p.m.

Chairman:

Date: