

TREETON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 24th NOVEMBER 2008 at 7.00 p.m.

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

2009/081 Apologies for Absence.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor D.A. Goy and G. Boyes.

2009/082 Minutes of Meeting.

Minutes of the meeting held on 27th October 2008 were taken as read, copies having been circulated to all members of the council.

Resolved: That the minutes be approved.

Proposed: Councillor M. Scott.
Seconded: Councillor Miss J. Swift.

2009/083 Matters Arising.

2009/078 c) The matter of the children riding their bikes on High Hazels Crescent had been raised with the school and was also raised with the PCSO's who were present at the meeting. Councillor Payne felt that this problem should be part of the overall traffic management review that was proposed when the Bawtry Road project was complete.

2009/084 Correspondence Received.

- a) NALC – Policy & Parliamentary Consultation. Details on the consultancy with regard to lowering the voting age to 16.
- b) Rotherham MBC – Play Partnership. Minutes of the meeting held on 3rd October 2008.
- c) Rotherham MBC – Notification of public meetings being held to discuss the proposals for the Waverley site. The one in the village was being held the following evening at the Primary School.
- d) Rotherham MBC – Provision of sandbags. A letter was received asking for confirmation that the council would store some sandbags locally after the initial offer several months ago. Councillors were of the opinion that the council should take some and that they be stored in the Working Men's club. The clerk advised that he would not submit the council's request until council agreed as to who was to be the local contact and who would be responsible for implementing the plan. A group of councillors decided to meet the following Monday and formulate a plan which would then be passed to the clerk to formulate and add to the Emergency Plan.
- e) Communities and Local Government – Consultation on the Codes of conduct for local authority member and employees. A copy of the consultation document was received.
- f) South Yorkshire Passenger Transport Executive. Copies of the South Yorkshire Rail Strategy consultation and the South Yorkshire Tram Strategy consultation were received.
- g) Rotherham MBC – Joint Strategic Waste Development Plan. A letter was received advising that the consultation document produced jointly by Barnsley, Doncaster and Rotherham Councils was available on the internet for perusal.
- h) Rotherham MBC – Parish Council Emergency Plan. Thank you from the Borough Council for producing the plan and a reminder of any updates that needed to be submitted. The clerk would submit a revised plan when advised of the sandbag issue.
- i) Rotherham MBC – Parish Network Meeting. Agenda for the next meeting to be held on 27th November was received.
- j) Rother Valley West Parish Councils Meeting. Minutes of the meeting held on 23rd September together with the invite to the meeting held on 18th November were received.
- k) Children's Play Information Service. A copy of the latest Children's Play Update was received.
- l) About Play. A copy of the latest edition was received.

2009/085 Presentation by Rotherham Play Pathfinder Team.

Jenny Harrison of the Play Pathfinder Team of Rotherham MBC attended the meeting to present the three tenders received for the Washfield Lane project.

She outlined the three proposals received from Kompan, Proludic and Sutcliffe. Each had separate presentations and were marked on various aspects of their tenders. Each councillor was given a copy of the presentation and Borough Council recommendation with the markings they had each received.

The Borough Council's recommendation was to go with Sutcliffe Play.

Resolved: That the Parish Council agrees with the Borough Council and recommends that the Sutcliffe Play proposal be accepted.

Proposed: Councillor Miss J. Swift.

Seconded: Councillor M. Scott.

2009/086 Meeting with PCSO's.

Two of the village PCSO's attended the meeting.

Councillor Whysall raised the issue of a van and a lorry parking on Burntwood Crescent and asked if they could look into the matter. The matter had been raised previously.

Councillor Scott also raised the issue of cars parking on the wrong side of the road. The PCSO's advised that they were powerless in this field as this was covered by the Traffic section and could only be dealt with by them.

2009/087 Allotment, Environment and Cemeteries.

2009/087 a) Councillor Scott raised the issue of the water problem in the Wood Lane Burial Ground. Michael Fellowes was to deal with the matter.

2009/087 b) It was also reported that the flagstones had not been replaced.

2009/087 c) Councillor Baker raised the issue of the plants on the island at the end of Wood Lane. It was replied that the landscape gardeners had been on site today and tidied up the area. Councillor Payne advised of the visibility problem caused by the construction of the island.

2009/088 Youth Club.

Michael Fellowes advised that the Youth Club was to be shut the current week for a replacement flooring to be installed. If the flooring cannot be replaced immediately the Youth Club would have to close until the New Year. Councillor Whysall advised that the chimney stack appeared to be leaning and Michael Fellowes was to raise this at his meeting with the Borough the following morning. Councillor Baker enquired as to if there were any grants that were available for this type of work.

2009/089 Education Report.

Councillor Payne advised that since the last meeting he had met with both the governors and the new Headmaster at the school.

2009/090 Community Capacity Workers Report.

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

An approach had been received from the St. Helen's Church regarding their Christmas Tree Festival on the 13th and 14th December and as to the decorations for the Parish Council tree. Michael Fellowes was to take care of the Council's tree. There had been further consultation on the Parish Plan. He had met with the Junior football to resolve various issues that had been raised. With regards to the Parish Council website, this was currently being designed and all the information had now been submitted to Paul Griffiths. It was hoped to launch the site in early January 2009.

2009/091 Planning Applications.

No response had been received from David Temple on the question of the Parish Council's submission in respect of the plans submitted by Jones Homes. It was also noted that the Autism Care Centre had also submitted a very strong letter of objection to the application.

Resolved: The clerk emails David Temple of the Planning department, requesting confirmation of the Parish Councils position regarding its objections.

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

2009/092 Any Other Urgent Business.

2009/092 a) Councillor Whysall noted that there appeared to be more children interested in the Remembrance Day Service and wondered if it would be possible for the school to train a bugler. Councillor Payne was to take up the request with the school.

2009/092 b) Councillor Baker asked if the Village Handyman could cut the grass at the Community Centre. It was replied that offers of assistance had been made to the Centre previously and refused. If they wanted help or assistance it was suggested that they put their application in writing for council to consider it.

2009/093 Finance and General Purposes Committee.

2009/093 (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.

2009/093 (b) The following accounts were approved for payment.

	£
First Direct – Visa – Direct Debit	4.00
Busy Bees Childcare Vouchers – Direct Debit	267.28
Rotherham MBC – Direct Debit	90.00
TV Licence Grant Payments	370.00
C.J. Brown	639.02
M. Brumfield	164.82
R. Bolton	317.88
I.G. Mason	82.54
D. Wilson	212.30
B. Baynham	95.98
G. Walker	47.99
L. Gregory	159.57
J. Gregory	151.17
M.J. Fellowes	1,399.54
HPC (Pest Control) Ltd.,	172.64
Viking-Direct Ltd.,	217.48
M.J. Fellowes	11.44

2009/093 c) The clerk had received copies of the Legal Briefing on the “Communities in control: Real people, real power, Codes of conduct for local authority members and employees: A consultation” from the Local Councils Association. Copies of this were distributed to all members of the council.

2009/093 d) A letter was received from the Information Commissioners Office advising that the council had to approve and adopt the new code by the 1st January 2009. A generic model was circulated to all members of the council. The clerk was asked to complete the necessary paperwork by the relevant date. In the first instance the Parish Council would make no charge for supplying copies of any request made by a village resident. This would be reviewed at a later date when the number of requests would be known.

Resolved: That the council formally adopts the model Publication Scheme from 1st January 2009.

Proposed: Councillor G.E. Payne.

Seconded: Councillor J.F. Swift.

2009/094 Date of Next Meeting.

The date of the next meeting was arranged for Monday 15th December at 7.00 p.m.

The meeting closed at 8.50 p.m.

Chairman:

Date: