

ASTON PARISH COUNCIL

ON 11TH JULY 2011 AT THE VILLAGE HALL, ELVASTON

PRESENT: Cllr Strand, Cllrs Bickerton Coyle, Harper, Russell, Sharp & Spenser.

IN ATTENDANCE: DCllr Ann Watson, R F Hill (Clerk), & 2 members of the public.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT – ANN WATSON

1. The next phase in preparing the Local Development Framework will be a series of drop-in days, one of which will be at Aston on Trent Heritage Centre on Thursday 21st July from 3.00pm till 7.30pm.
2. The next Quarry Liaison meeting is on 14 September at Elvaston Castle.

OPEN SESSION

1. Mr Waters asked for permission to speak in the discussions on defibrillators and gravel & flooding.
2. It was observed that there had been no official notification from anyone regarding the pipe laying near Borrowwash Bridge.

POLICE REPORT

For the third month the Clerk had no crime report to present but was able to report that PC Croxall had left the team and would eventually be replaced by PC Newman.

NON-EXEMPT ITEMS

1.07.11: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Received from Cllr Lee (on holiday).

2.07.11: DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

3.07.11: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Proposed by Cllr Russell, seconded by Cllr Spenser and agreed that the circulated minutes of the meeting held on 13th June 2010 be signed by the Chairman as a true record.

Open Session

1. Granted
2. Clerk to seek explanations from Severn Trent/SDDC

Police Report

Clerk to invite PC Newman to a parish council meeting.

5.07.11: CLERK'S REPORT

1. The front panel of the new bus shelter on the A6 by The Greenway has been smashed. Shelter Maintenance Co Ltd, Mansfield has been asked for a quote to repair it and a claim will be made on the insurance if the cost exceeds the excess of £100
2. The next meeting of the Donington Park Consultative Forum is on Wednesday 13th July at 6.30pm in the Race Control Media Suite at the race circuit.
3. Derby City's next stage in the development of its core strategy will begin on 12th July and end on 30th September. It will ask two crucial questions:-
 - How many new homes should we be planning for?
 - Broadly speaking, where should these be located?An information document, summary leaflet & questionnaire, all available to view at local libraries, can also be downloaded from the website, <http://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/derby/hma>.
4. The Well-Being session takes place at the Village Hall from 10am till noon on Wednesday, 13th July.

6.07.11: PLANNING

Re. the planning appeal associated lodged by the applicant following SDDC's refusal to grant approval for alterations at 26 Brook Road, Thulston. SDDC's case officer submitted a note to the Householder Appeals Service explaining SDDC's reasons for that refusal.

7.07.11: MATTERS FOR DECISION

1. To approve the purchase of a defibrillator; Cllr Russell reported that it had not so far been possible to engage a manufacturer's representative to address members with an update on the latest machines and the matter was deferred to the next meeting. Cllr Sharp suggested that St John's Ambulance Brigade might be able to offer guidance and the Clerk undertook to approach them.
2. To approve the purchase of grit bins for Boulton Moor: Prior to ordering, the Clerk was asked to consult DCC's Highway Care Manager for advice on the recommended number and best location for the bins.

£356.62

300.00

Cq 877 - Parish Websites Ltd, hosting & support (1 year)

The Clerk was asked to withhold payment of SDC's invoice for cleaning the bus shelter until the charge had been justified (SDC invoice number 80503199, cq 876: £69.00 +VAT (£13.80).

8.2. The Clerk gave members a table showing expenditure during the first 3 months of 2011/12 against the agreed budget.

9.07.11: WEBSITE

Cllr Strand said that the changes he had asked for had now been incorporated; items on Elvaston Charities, the Art Club and the Gardening Club have been added. Contributions on the major issues confronting the Council are still needed (gravel & flooding/housing) and a link to the County Council for Elvaston Castle was suggested. Cllr Sharp said that if a flysheet was to be produced giving the results of the survey on play facilities for Boulton Moor, it should be posted on the website and it should also include, a) a statement on the latest position regarding the planning application to build 1058 houses on Boulton Moor and b), the rates for advertising on the website

10.07.11: BOULTON MOOR ISSUES

1. Play Facilities: there had been a number of replies and Cllr Coyle undertook to carry out an analysis and report her findings at the next meeting.
2. Mail Box: the Clerk said that Royal Mail had again refused to comply with the Council's request for a mailbox on Colwell Drive. It was agreed that a new approach should be made for the existing box on Bembridge Drive to be moved further along Bembridge Drive near to the newsagent's shop.
3. Cllr Sharp said that litter was a problem at certain parts of Boulton Moor. The Clerk was asked to look at the problem.

11.07.11: GRAVEL & FLOODING

Application Code CM9/0805/73: the County Council's website shows that, though now approved, this application (to extend gravel extraction northward of Ambaston Lane), still awaits legal approval which means that the final approval paperwork will not be available until that approval has been secured. Mr Waters said that he had received assurance that the conditions attaching applied to the operation and were not exclusive to the applicant.

Mr Waters said also that the Council should raise a case for the next aggregates allocation area not to be settled until it had in its possession a written statement confirming the plans to have material made available by the extracting company to raise the height of the Ambaston flood bank.

12.07.11: ELVASTON CASTLE

The renovations of the Golden Gates, Moorish Temple, haha wall and nursery garden wall are virtually complete.

Cllr Russell said she had a meeting arranged with the Park Manager, Jill Forester on 20th July at which she hoped to come to an arrangement to receive regular updates on matters associated with the Castle Estate.

13.07.11: COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

- Cllr Spenser said he would not be available to attend the next meeting;
- Cllr Strand asked who was responsible for pruning and general care of the roadside tree in the vicinity of Sturges Lane and Grove Close, Thulston: Clerk to find out.
- Cllr Russell noted that no reply had been forthcoming from Mr Chamberlain to the Clerk's letter asking for help in obtaining the identity of the body responsible for the care and maintenance of the Thulston Brook culvert: Clerk to make a further approach to Mr Chamberlain.

14.07.11: FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

13 July	Well Being Session at Elvaston Village Hall, 10.00am till noon.
13 July	Donington Park Consultative Forum, 13 th July at the Race Control Media Suite at the race circuit, 6.30pm.
8 August	Elvaston Parish Council monthly meeting at Elvaston Village Hall, 8 th August, 7.30pm.
22 August	Power of Well Being (6.30pm) & Law & Good Practice for Parish Councils (7.15pm) training courses at Somercotes Village Hall.
7 September	Safer Neighbourhoods Meeting at Barrow on Trent Village Hall, 7.00pm.
14 September	Quarry Liaison Meeting at Elvaston Castle.

15.07.11: ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

The Clerk circulated to members a list of the items received since the previous meeting.