

BUNNY PARISH COUNCIL**Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held in the Village Hall on Thursday July 16, 2015, at 7.30pm**

Couns. Graham Norbury (Chairman)
 Mrs Chris Brown Mrs Maria Webb (A)
 John Alldred (A) Richard Wilson
 Peter Pearson Douglas Kerr (A)
 Mrs Penny Wakefield

Also present the Clerk Mike Elliott.

The chairman welcomed Coun. Dick Wilson to his first meeting. He duly signed the Acceptance of Office form and his Declarations of Interests form .

- 1] APOLOGIES Couns. D Kerr, M Webb and J Alldred
- 2] DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST There were none
- 3] MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING held on June 18, 2015 were accepted as circulated and signed by the chairman.
- 4] CLERK'S REPORT ON PREVIOUS MEETING BUSINESS
 Severn Trent and drain cover 26 Moor Lane: The chairman said there were ongoing problems and he was dealing with the matter, both over surface water problems and sewage.
 The meeting was informed that letters went to all residents in the Gotham Lane end of the village in relation to the council vacancy but there had been no response.
- 5] ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC There were none
- 6] CORRESPONDENCE
 There was no correspondence.
- 7] HIGHWAY MATTERS
 Coun. Mrs Brown said Lamppost No. 8 on Main Street was still lit all day. The clerk would report it.
 The chairman said he and a resident had met Fernwood Transport and had discussed the matter of traffic problems from HGV's passing through Bunny. The company revealed they had lost the British Gypsum contract which had been the reason for their lorries passing through Bunny so many times.
 Coun. Wilson reported he had attended the local Police advisory meeting the previous day and it had been reported there that over 700 motorists had been caught speeding in three months travelling north through the village and 42 travelling south. Coun. Pearson said he thought it was necessary for the speed detecting van to be sited on Gotham Lane as well as on Loughborough Road.
 The chairman said that Coun. Adair has confirmed the village was being allocated a single flashing speed sign. He hoped the parish would have a say in where it was to be placed.
 Concerned was raised in regard to the condition of the footpath leading from Gotham Lane towards the village and the clerk was to raise the matter with Notts County Council. It was to be pointed out that residents at Greenwood Lodge in wheelchairs used the path regularly and that the slope on it made this difficult.
 The clerk was to seek comment from Notts County Council on an offer from a local resident to install a seat in the bus shelter on Loughborough road near to the school. The chairman said he had heard nothing further in regard to the possibility of solar lighting being fixed to the bus shelter near the Albert Road junction on Loughborough road.
- 8] PLANNING
Rushcliffe Borough Council applications
 15/00712/ful. Duncan Albery, The Hollies, Moor Lane. Demolition of barn/workshop, Construct one and a half storey extension. Revised documents – submission of a bat survey report. There was no need for a further comment from the parish council following on its objection to the initial application.

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15/00834/ful. James Maddison, 30 Victoria Road. Loft version including enlargement to roof and construction of dormer window in regard elevation (retrospective). Refuse. 12 weeks from June 30 to appeal.

15/01129/ful.. Mrs D Mann, 13 Victoria Road. Externally, insulate and render dwelling. Permit.

15/00081/CONARE Dr and Mrs D Nathan, Long Meadow House, Moor Lane. Fell or prune two holly trees, fell Laburnum, Sycamore and Beech. Permit.

9] FINANCE

a] Cheques for payment were approved as per the circulated list.

It was suggested the council revisit the question of how many signatures were required on cheques following the Government decision to lift the previous requirement of two.

10] VILLAGE HALL

The chairman said the main contractors for the village hall scheme had experienced difficulty in obtaining services of an electrician. He had asked the council's recognised electrician Dave Williams and he was interested in undertaking the work. It was still hoped the overall scheme could be undertaken in August.

The chairman reported the broken lock on the door in the hall had been rectified and the faulty cooker power point replaced. He intended to progress the appointment of the hall committee once the work on the building had been undertaken.

11] ENVIRONMENT

The meeting was told that the Bunny History group would update the council's information on their website for an annual charge of £40. Progress was being made on the need to find new volunteers for the Bunny Bulletin to accommodate the retirement of Kate Hunt and everything pointed to a continuation of the publication.

The meeting agreed that it would consider sending letters in September to residents at the Gotham lane end of the village in regard to the need to cut their hedge fronting Loughborough Road. This would be after the bird nesting season.

12] FOOTPATHS

Discussion took place on the situation of the condition of the ground surface at the end of Moor Lane. Coun. Pearson said the position was difficult because part of the route was a footpath and part a bridleway. It was not clear who was responsible for the required repair work. The chairman was to obtain information on this from Coun. Adair. The question of the council looking to meet the cost of the necessary work was discussed but not progressed.

13] CASUAL VACANCY The council were now in a position to fill the vacancy by co-option.

14] AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING Nothing was put forward

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.15pm.