

**MINUTES OF DOVERIDGE PARISH COUNCIL**

**HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL KITCHEN**

**Date: Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2006**

**Present:** Cllrs: Hewson-Stoate (Chairman), Stubbs, Trenner, Watkins, Wilshaw and Carter (Clerk).

**Members of the Public:** One member of the public.

**Apologies:** Cllrs Brindley, Bryan, Jarville and County Councillor Lewer.

<b>Min No Originator Month</b>	<b>Title and Description</b>	<b>Action / Decision</b>	<b>Who / When</b>	<b>Proposer / Seconder</b>	<b>P / C</b>
06/1	<b>Matter raised by Members of the Public – Letter from Doveridge Cricket Club</b>	The Chairman asked if any member of the public wished to speak, Mr J Parker referred to the recent letter sent to Parish Council by Andrew Morley on behalf of Doveridge Cricket Club. The chairman said in accordance with standing orders he could address the council for three minutes. Mr Parker explained that he was attending the meeting to represent the Cricket Club and to give any further information that Cllrs may require regarding the proposal by the Cricket Club to lay a flicx cricket pitch between the football pitches for use by the Juniors Section. Mr Parker said that the pitch would not require a sub-base and would lie on top of the grass and could be mowed normally by the Council's mower. It would also be hand mowed by the cricket club during the cricket season. Cllr Trenner raised a concern about the possibility of football players catching their studs in the mesh. Mr Parker said there shouldn't be a problem with players running over the mesh and pointed out that the flicx pitch would not be directly adjacent to the football pitches enabling run off space. It was hoped that it would be possible to lay the pitch in April. He agreed that the Cricket Club would liaise with the football teams. The Chairman said that the Parish Council supported multi-use of the playing field and pointed out that the summer football league did not have matches at weekends. Cllr Watkins proposed acceptance of the flicx pitch, seconded by Cllr Stubbs all Cllrs present agreed, subject to visual check of the mesh by Cllr Trenner. The Clerk was asked to forward written confirmation to the cricket club.	Clerk	Cllr Watkins Cllr Stubbs	P
05/50	<b>Matter raised by Members of the Public – Security &amp; Safety Issues around the Village Hall (re: letter from Village Hall Committee dated 14/10/05)</b>	The Clerk circulated a summary of the 3 quotations received for provision of new fencing. Councillors discussed the quotes and the Clerk's recommendation. Subject to formal planning consent being obtained, Cllr Stubbs proposed acceptance of the quotation from Weaver Fencing, seconded by Cllr Trenner, all Cllrs present agreed. The Chairman confirmed that the planning application would be completed shortly and the Clerk had obtained the planning fee applicable (see Accounts for Approval).	Cllr Hewson-Stoate Clerk	Cllr Stubbs Cllr Trenner	P
05/22	<b>Annual Balance Sheet</b>	The Clerk reported that confirmation of the Accounts for Year Ending 31 March 2005 was still awaited from the Audit Commission.	Clerk		P

05/23	<b>Approval of Minutes from 4th Jan 2006</b>	It was agreed that the minutes should be adopted as a true record.		Cllr Hewson-Stoate Cllr Stubbs	C
	<b>ON-GOING BUSINESS</b>				
99/36	<b>New Tennis Courts</b>	A meeting is still to be arranged	Cllr Hewson-Stoate The Clerk		P
00/56	<b>Pavilion – Maintenance of the Showers</b>	Nothing further to report	Cllr Hewson-Stoate		C
02/09	<b>Community Response for Civil Emergency</b>	The 3 official copies held still need to be sealed	Cllr Jarville Cllr Hewson-Stoate Cllr Watkins Clerk		P
03/37	<b>Land at the rear of Meadow View – Land proposed by the Contractor to construct a play area</b>	The Clerk reported that a letter dated 10/01/06 had been received from DDDC responding that despite repeated requests to Cameron Homes there had been no progress in concluding the matter. The Clerk was requested to post a copy of the letter on the Parish Council notice board.	Clerk		P
	<b>MATTERS ARISING</b>				
04/38	<b>Parish Website</b>	Cllr Watkins gave an up-date on progress and said she would be meeting Eric Roy within the next couple of weeks. She reported that she had now received information from a number of organisations including Cricket Club, Tennis Club, Neighbourhood Watch, Village Hall Committee, St Cuthberts Church & Methodist Church. Cllr Stubbs said that Tim Deville is to provide information regarding the Preservation Society.	Cllr Watkins		P
05/51	<b>Good Citizens Award 2005</b>	Cllr Watkins said the award had now been made to Frank Beckett.			C
05/11	<b>Condition of Scout Hut</b>	The Clerk reported that he had written to the Uttoxeter Scout Executive Committee dated 18 January saying it was acceptable to the Parish council to remove demolish the building as far as the concrete base and that we were unable to think of anyone who might be interested in the mower. The chairman said he and the Clerk had looked at the mower through a small gap in the door to the hut, and on reflection thought that the mower may be of interest to the Cricket Club and asked the Clerk to inform the USEC accordingly.	Clerk		P
05/26	<b>Mowing – Playing Field</b>	The Clerk said that he had spoken to Trevor Hopkins who said the strimming around the playing field would be undertaken shortly.	Clerk		P
05/35	<b>Letter re: State of Old Marston Lane</b>	The Clerk reported that he had written to Neil Hickman at DCC explaining the problem with Travellers camping at the end of Marston Lane and asking if access could be restricted or the turning circle reduced in size.	Clerk		P
05/40	<b>Traffic Speed on the Old A50</b>	Nothing further to report.	Clerk		C

05/45	<b>Proposed Purchase of 6 No Benches for Placement Outside the Pavilion</b>	The Chairman said that he and the Clerk had a now agreed the specification and the Clerk would now be seeking quotations for erecting the benches and anchoring them to the paving slabs in front of the pavilion.	Clerk		P
05/46	<b>Overgrown Conifer on the corner Cook Lane/Hawthorn Close. Loose Stile - End of Pump Lane</b>	a) Callers had viewed the conifer and the consensus was that it was now sufficiently clear of the footpath. Cllr Stubbs said he would tell the person who complained if they were still not satisfied to put the complaint in writing. b) The loose stile footstone is still to re-grouted. The Clerk thought this could be undertaken under the proposed minor works call-off contract.	All Councillors Clerk		P
05/53	<b>Bus Shelter on Sand Lane</b>	The Clerk reported that the bus shelter roof had been completed and the invoice had been received for payment..	Clerk		C
05/57	<b>Potential New Allotment</b>	The Clerk reported that he had requested quotations from Simon Large (SJL Landscapes), Hubert Maycroft, Estatecare and Matt Woodward. Following discussion it was agreed to discuss the quotes at the next meeting. The Clerk was asked to check with the DDDC to see if any grants were available.	Clerk		P
05/58	<b>Bus Shelter – Alms Road</b>	The Clerk reported that a response dated 30/1/06 had been received from DCC saying that the cost of conversion to mains supply would be £585 and to provide a electrical supply around £700. DCC would provide a grant of 50% of the conversion and 100% of the electrical supply. Following discussion and a visit to inspect the lighting level it was agreed by all Cllrs present not to opt for conversion. The Clerk was asked to write thanking DCC for there offer and to asked if anything could be done to improve the existing solar powered lighting.	Clerk		P
05/59	<b>Proposed Emergency and Minor Works Call-Off Contract</b>	The Clerk reported that only one quote had been received in response to the notice posted on the noticeboard. Cllr Stubbs pointed out that the wording was aimed at companies rather than individuals. The Clerk said this was in order to safeguard the Parish Council from potential injury claims and to endeavour to ensure competency. The Clerk was asked to approach SJL Landscapes and any other local companies considered suitable.	Clerk		P
05/60	<b>Section 137 Grants</b>	The Clerk confirmed that cheques had been sent to the Bowls and Tennis Clubs.	Clerk		C
05/61	<b>Allianz Cornhill – Fidelity Guarantee</b>	The Clerk reported that confirmation of increased in Fidelity cover from Allianz Cornhill at no additional cost to the premium.	Clerk		C
06/2	<b>Bench Donated by WI</b>	Cllr Wtkins referred to her letter dated 4/1/06 on behalf of the WI who wished to donate a bench to the village marking their 50 <sup>th</sup> birthday in 2005. The preferred location is to the right of the entrance to the village hall, the Village Hall Committee have already given their approval. Cllr Trenner proposed acceptance, seconded by Cllr Wilshaw, all Cllrs present agreed apart from Cllr Watkins who declared an interest.		Cllr Trenner Cllr Wilshaw	C

06/3	<b>Proposal for Sub Group to Oversee Play Equipment Maintenance &amp; Replacement</b>	The Chairman said the Clerk had followed up the question of play equipment maintenance with Les Warren at DDDC and had been referred to Peter Walker, Grounds Maintenance Operations Manager. The Clerk had subsequently written to him on 25/1/06 asking for a quotation to undertake remedial maintenance on the items equipment shown as high and medium risk in the 2005 Rospa report. The letter was circulated to Cllrs at the meeting. It was agreed that Cllrs Stubbs and Trenner would sit on the sub group.	Cllr Stubbs Cllr Trenner Cerk		P
06/4	<b>Letter from Robin Brown re Tenancy Agreement – 7 Alms Road</b>	The Chairman referred to the letter from Mr R Brown regarding a Tenancy Agreement between his parents and the Parish Council for a small piece of land at the rear of 7 Alms Road. On the death of his parents the house is to be sold at auction on 22 March 2006. Following discussion between the Chairman and Vice chairman the Clerk had sent an interim response pending full discussion at this meeting indicating that it was unlikely that the PC would wish to sell the land or to enter into a new tenancy agreement. Following discussion it was proposed that the land be returned to the PC and a boundary fence should be erected and the land re-instated prior to the sale. All Cllrs present agreed with this course of action, with the exception of Cllr Hewson-Stoate, who felt a new tenancy agreement should be agreed with the new owner. The Clerk was asked to write confirming the above.	Clerk		P
06/5	<b>Letter dated 6/12/06 from DDDC re Reimbursable Expenditure</b>	The Clerk referred to the letter from DDDC stating that due to budgetary restraints the PC's request for £2110.00 for Reimbursable Expenditure on the Playing Field for 2006/7 had been reduced to £1500.00. They asked that any request for an increase in the Precept resulting from this reduction should be made before 3/12/06. Following discussion it was agreed by all Cllrs not to seek an increase in the Precept.	All Cllrs to note		C
06/6	<b>DALC Circular 04/2006 re National Salary Awards for Clerks from 1/4/06</b>	The Clerk referred to the nationally agreed new salary rates for Clerks effective from 1/4/06 and sought the PC's approval to a an increase in the monthly emolument from £228.66 to £235.38 per month. Cllr Watkins proposed acceptance, seconded by Cllr Wilshaw, all Cllrs present agreed.	Clerk	Cllr Watkins Cllr Watkins	C
06/7	<b>Planning Applications</b> 05/01093/LBALT  06/00033/FUL  <b>Permission Refused</b> 05/00959/FUL	Alterations to listed building – single storey extension, Mr & Mrs Fullagar, Garden Cottage, Brocksford Change of use of agricultural building to storage & repair of wooden pallets – Mr I Swingewood, Holmelea Farm, Marston Lane Cllrs discussed this application and the planning refusal of the previous application. It was agreed that the Chairman would formulate a common response requesting that the Planning Committee consider granting temporary approval. Single storey/two storey extension – NP Cash, 7 Park Crescent <b>Addendum</b> The Clerk reported that the Planning Application by Mr & Mrs Cason (No 05/01056/FUL) will be go before the Planning Committee on Tue 14/2/05. Cllr	Cllr Hewon-Stoate Clerk		C

		Watkins agreed to attend the site visit on behalf of the PC.			
	<b>CORRESPONDENCE</b>				
06/8	<b>January</b>	<p>a) DDDC – Derbyshire Dales Local Plan, Adopted 24/11/05.</p> <p>b) DDDC – Derbyshire Dales Shop Front and Commercial Properties Design Guidance Supplementary Planning Document – Consultation Draft.</p> <p>c) Letter dated 4/01/06 from J Bointon expressing interest in renting an allotment.</p> <p>d) Letter from Doveridge Cricket Club re Flicx Pitch for Juniors Section.</p> <p>e) DCC – Doveridge Day Centre open morning on 20/01/06.</p> <p>f) DDDC letter dated 6/01/06 – Parish Council Reimbursable Expenditure 2006/7.</p> <p>g) Nottingham East Midlands Airport – Draft Master Plan Poster and consultation dates 10/2/06 to 14/5/06.</p> <p>h) Copy of letter dated 14/01/06 from C Cllr Andrew Lewer to David Harvey, Director Environmental Services, DCC.</p> <p>i) Derbyshire Fire &amp; Rescue Service – Budget Setting Consultation Survey.</p> <p>j) Government Office for the East Midlands – East Midlands Rural Delivery Framework Consultation from 16/2/06 to 10/4/06.</p> <p>k) Letter dated 11/01/06 from Robin Brown re Parish Council land to rear of 7 Alms Rd.</p> <p>l) DCC – OnBoard booklet, Public Transport in Derbyshire.</p> <p>m) Acknowledgement letter dated 9/01/06 from DCC re bus shelter lighting, Alms Rd.</p> <p>n) DALC Circular 01/2006 – Index 2005</p> <p>o) DALC Circular 02/2006 – General Circular</p> <p>p) DALC Circular 03/2006 – Church of England Table of Parochial Fees from 01/01/06.</p> <p>q) DALC Circular 04/2006 – National salary Awards for Clerks from 1/4/06.</p> <p>r) DALC Circular 05/2006 – Meetings of Local Councils.</p> <p>s) DALC Circular 06/2006 - 2006 Awards Launched.</p> <p>t) DALC Circular 07/2006 – CiLCA Training.</p> <p>u) DALC Circular 08/2006 – General Circular.</p>			C

