

MINUTES OF DOVERIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL KITCHEN

Date: Wednesday 7th March 2007

Present: Cllrs: Hewson-Stoate (Chairman), Brindley, Bryan, Stubbs, Trenner Watkins, Wilshaw and Carter (Clerk) and C Councillor Lewer .

Members of the Public : 4 members of the public.

Apologies: Cllr: Jarville.

P / C	Min No Originator Month	Title and Description	Action / Decision	Who / When	Proposer / Seconder
P	06/77	Matters raised by Members of the Public – Trish Routledge re Noise Pollution from the A50 Bypass.	The Clerk reported that Trish Routledge had contacted him to say that she would not be available to address the Annual Parish Meeting but a member of the action group would take the opportunity to do so. He had received an update saying that the distribution of surveys was now complete and the group had met the local MP, Patrick McLoughlin on the 3 March, which was successful. The local MEP's have also been contacted and they now looking to arrange a meeting with the highways agency. Their website is functioning and they would welcome a link with the parish council website and were asking how this is progressing. Cllr Watkins felt that it was not the PC's responsibility to chase the action group to find their web details but said she would follow it up on this occasion.	Cllr Watkins Clerk	
P	06/78	Matters raised by Members of the Public – Miss M Dear re Mobile Breast Screening Unit	The Clerk reported that he had responded on 10/2/07 to the Derby City Hospital's letter dated 2/2/07, stating that they had not answered whether they would reconsider the move to Hilton if reliability of the electrical supply at Doveridge was confirmed by Central Networks. The difficulty of ladies attending Hilton was also stressed and confirmation was requested that a Mobile Breast Unit does visit Uttoxeter. To-date no further response has been received. He said he had also spoken to Mary Dear and Keith Walker to establish the facts regarding the problems experienced with the electrical supply to the village hall. It would seem that following an electrical inspection a fault was identified and Powergen and then Central Networks were called out on several of occasions. The fault seemed to be finally tracked down to the pole outside the village hall. Following several phone calls to Central Networks the Clerk confirmed he had written to them on 6 March summarising the chain of events and asking them to confirm that the supply is now constant and within the operating limits. The Clerk was thanked for his continuing efforts. Cllr Watkins requested the Clerk to ask in his next letter to the City Hospital to ask if they will provide transport from Doveridge to Hilton.	Clerk	
C	07/20	Approval of Minutes from 7th February 2007	It was agreed that the minutes be adopted as a true record.		Cllr Stubbs Cllr Hewson-Stoate

P	03/37	Land at the rear of Meadow View – Land proposed by the Contractor to construct a play area	The Clerk confirmed that Cllrs Trenner, Watkins and Wilshaw, together with himself, had met Phillip Pricey from Derbyshire Wildlife Fund and looked at the site. A number of interesting ideas were suggested by Phillip, including the possibility of planting local fruit trees, creating a wild life meadow and laying a traditional hedgerow on the boundary. He thought it might be useful to hard mow the grass for a couple years and then to plant bulbs, wild flowers and fruit trees. He considered it would be a good idea to include the community and particularly to involve the primary school. A suggestion was also made by Cllr Watkins to provide a notice board displaying pictures of wild flowers. Phillip agreed to provide his email address and some literature. It was agreed by all Cllrs present to develop these suggestions.	All Cllrs Clerk	
P	04/38	Parish Website	Cllr Watkins reported that Eric Roy has said his fee for maintaining the website for a further 12 months was £150. Cllr Watkins proposed acceptance of this amount, seconded by Cllr Stubbs, all Cllrs present agreed. Cllr Watkins also confirmed a number of new diary entries.	Clerk	Cllr Watkins Cllr Stubbs
P	05/57	Potential New Allotments	It was agreed by all Cllrs present that the allotment Agreement as proposed by the Clerk and presented at the February 2007 meeting should be sent to all allotment holders.	Clerk	
P	06/3	Proposal for Sub Group to Oversee Play Equipment Maintenance & Replacement	Cllr Bryan reported on progress. A proposal from one company has been received and two others are currently awaited and a meeting has been arranged to take place within the next week. Potential sources for grants are being explored including Tesco and BIFFA (who meet in May and Sept). There are a numbers of other possible sources including JCB and Lewis's. Cllr Bryan confirmed she will be on holiday for the APM on 21/3/07 but would provide several of the design proposals for display at the meeting.	Cllr Bryan	
P	06/37	Poor Condition of Pavilion Door	The Chairman said he was not yet in a position to provide the quote. He also intended to endeavour to provide an alternative quote from another source.	Cllr Hewson-Stoate	
P	06/39	Mobile Skate Park	The Clerk reported that he had received some posters for advertising the Skate 'n' Ride event on Sat 31/3/07 together with consent forms which will need to be signed by parents or guardians in order for youngsters to participate. A roster of available Councillors to be present on the day will be forwarded by the Clerk to Cllrs concerned. DCC has insurance cover. The Clerk was asked to display the posters within the village asap. Local youngsters will be given preference ahead of youngsters from outside the village.	Clerk	
P	06/57	Condition of Pond at Lake Side	The Clerk said the site meeting had taken place on Thur 8/2/07. Phillip Pricey offered a number of suggestions. His initial impression was that he didn't think there was a need to undertake any major work on the pond. Any cleaning should be undertaken from Oct to Dec. He said it was better to do any clearance in stages and recommended that only about one third of the pond should be undertaken at any one time. Some of the overhead branches could be cut back and perhaps a third of the reeds taken out. It is a good idea to take photographs of the pond in March and Sept to monitor the growth of reeds and weeds. There should not be a need to undertake major clearance work more frequently than every 10 years. He	Clerk	

			said BTCV would be a good organisation to undertake clearance work but would need to be told how much to remove. It was agreed to monitor the condition of the pond and make a decision on what to do later in the year. The Clerk agreed to take a photograph.		
P	06/60	Condition of Playing Field Fence on Derby Road	The Chairman said there had been a further deterioration of the fence and suggested that Cllrs should have a site meeting immediately prior to the April PC meeting in order to decide what to do about the fence.	All Cllrs Clerk	
P	06/84	Cook Lane - Overhang of Trees and Work in Back Gardens Affecting Preserved Trees	The Clerk reported that he had not yet received a written response from Ruth Baker at DCC following his telephone conversation with her. The Clerk was asked to chase for a response.	Clerk	
P	07/2	Letter from Mr Done re suggestion for a Community Orchard	See Minute No 03/37 above.	All Cllrs Clerk	
C	07/8	Church Parish News Magazine	The Chairman said this was now resolved and both his February and March reports had been included in the March issue of the Parish News.		
C	07/9	Mobile Police Stations	Cllr Watkins said she would invite the local Community Support Officer to attend the Annual Parish Meeting on 21/3/07.	Cllr Watkins	
P	07/10	Sports Committee Meeting held on 22/1/07	A copy of the notes of the Sports Committee Meeting on 22/1/07 was still awaited. The Clerk said he had not yet obtained quotes for 2 more litter bins 1 to be sited by the pavilion the other by the tennis courts. He said he would follow this up and check with DDDC about emptying them. The Chairman said an up-to-date quote has been received from SJL regarding ongoing maintenance of the land drains and playing surface for discussion. He asked the Clerk to circulate the letter dated 26/2/07 to all Cllrs for discussion at the next meeting. The Chairman said he had been approached by Dr Atherton regarding two unknown teams playing a football match during the half term holidays. Cllr Stubbs confirmed he had seen this and approached them and was told they thought the playing field was available to anyone and said a lot of the players were from Doveridge anyway.	All Cllrs Clerk	
P	07/11	Doveridge Cricket Club (Brocksford)	The Clerk confirmed he had written to the cricket club on 22/2/07 and a response was subsequently received on 28/2/07. Following discussion Cllr Lewer said he didn't think it was possible for Parish Council's to approve grants to clubs or organisations for improvements to facilities or buildings on private land. The Clerk was asked to check the position with DALC. It was agreed that Cllrs would prefer to spend any available monies on the PC's pavilion on the playing field. It was proposed by Cllr Brindley and seconded by Cllr Watkins to award a grant of £200.00 to Doveridge Cricket Club towards the cost of repairs to the run ups to the nets on the playing field.	Clerk	Cllr Brindley Cllr Watkins
P	07/12	Letter Dated 3/1/07 from Nick Hodgson CE of Derbyshire County Council re Reorganisation of Probation Services	The Clerk confirmed he had written to the Home Secretary, Dr Reid on 27/2/07 on behalf of the Parish Council expressing concern over the proposed reorganisation of the Probation Services and the dangers of the loss of local accountability.	Clerk	

P	07/13	Letter 19/1/07 from Matthew Bradley Chair of Governors to Doveridge Primary school	The Chairman asked C Cllr Lewer if he was able to do anything to support Doveridge Junior School. C Cllr Lewer agreed that it was an anomaly for Doveridge children to go outside the County from Year 6. He was also aware that Queen Elizabeth School at Ashbourne was fully subscribed. He conceded that he was uncertain how best to pursue the matter. He agreed to look further into this matter	C Cllr Lewer	
C	07/14	Letter Dated 5/1/07 from Derbyshire Wildlife Trust re Great trees of Derbyshire Project	There is a Training Day being organised by Derbyshire Wildlife Trust on 28/4/07 at Markeaton Park, Derby.	Clerk	
C	07/15	Letter Dated 28/1/07 from Mrs P Prime re Dog Fouling on the Playing Field	The Clerk confirmed he had written to Mrs Prime stating the Parish Council did not think that banning dogs from the playing field was reasonable or practicable. He also confirmed he had put up the anti-fouling notice at the pavilion entrance.		
C	07/16	Letter from Joe Parker, aged 9	The Clerk confirmed he had written to Joe Parker telling him about the skate and ride event taking place on Saturday 31/3/07 at the village hall car park.	Clerk	
P	07/21	Letter dated 8/2/07 from St John's Ambulance County of Derbyshire	The letter from St John's Ambulance requesting a financial contribution was discussed. The Clerk was asked to circulate the letter to all Cllrs to enable them to consider and discuss at the next meeting	Clerk All Cllrs	
C	07/22	Campaign to Protect Rural England	The subscription renewal for the next 12 months is £27.00. Cllr Watkins proposed acceptance, seconded by Cllr Trenner and all Cllrs present agreed	Clerk	Cllr Watkins
C	07/23	Monies raised by Rachael Roe (Ashmore B & B) for Playground Fund	Cllrs wished to put on record their thanks to Mrs Roe for raising £120.00 at her 'Tea & Scone' afternoon towards the Playground Fund		
C	07/24	Monies raised by Sarah Rodgers for Playground Fund	Cllrs wished to put on record their thanks to Mrs Rodgers for raising £60.00 towards the Playground Fund		
P	07/25	Letter dated 6/3/07 from Mrs Nandi re Adaption of some Stiles	Mrs Nandi's letter dated 6/3/07 asked if the PC would consider adapting one or two of the stiles within the village in order to make them easier for elderly people to use. C Cllr Lewer said that Rights of Way Issues was on the agenda for the Community Forum meeting being held on 19/3/07 and suggested Mrs Nandi raise it at the meeting. The Clerk said he would speak to Mrs Nandi.	Clerk	
C	07/26	Address by County Councillor Lewer	C Cllr Lewer thanked the PC for allowing him to update them on a number of County Council Issues. He said a number of small schools within the county were under threat because of their size, in particular Stoney Middleton with 26 pupils. He referred to the Waste Development Plan, which had identified a number of potential new waste sites within the county. The A515 consultation process has resulted in proposals to limit the road speed from Buxton to Sudbury to 50mph apart from a small section at 40mph. The County Council's position regarding flashing speed signs appears to have changed in that there is now some funding support for these signs.		
C	07/27	Planning Applications 07/00143/FUL	Two storey rear extension – B Holden, 5 Bell Cottages, Derby Road.		

		<p>Permission Granted 06/00859/FUL</p> <p>06/00938/FUL</p> <p>Agricultural Prior Notification (07/00050)</p>	<p>Erection of detached single garage – Mr & Mrs Priestly, Old Wheelright, Pump Lane. The PC did not object to this application.</p> <p>Demolition of bungalow and erection of 2 no bungalows & associated access – S G Stanton, 7 Alms Road. The PC did not object to this application, a comment was made that one Cllr would have preferred a modified scheme of 3 houses to provide more affordable housing for young people. Concern was raised by another Cllr that paving of the frontage may increase rain run-off to the drains.</p> <p>Hay Barn – Messrs Thorley Bros, Brocksford Court Farm, Brocksford. Was sent to PC for information only.</p>		
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C	07/28	March	<p>a) Letter dated 6/2/07 from DDDC re Amendment No 5 to the Derbyshire Dales District Council Off-Street Parking Order 2000.</p> <p>b) DCC letter and leaflets re stopping scams & rogue traders.</p> <p>c) Letter dated 6/2/07 from Defra – Rural Social & Communities Division re d) Review of the Quality Town and Parish Council Scheme.</p> <p>e) Letter dated 7/2/07 from DCC – Derby and Derbyshire Waste Sites Development Plan, more possible sites for new waste management development.</p> <p>f) Letter dated 8/2/07 from St John Ambulance County of Derbyshire requesting a financial contribution.</p> <p>g) Letter dated 9/2/07 from the Audit Commission re appointment of external auditor for 06/07.</p> <p>h) Letter dated 9/2/07 from DCC – Mobile Phone Campaign.</p> <p>i) Campaign to Protect Rural England – request for subscription renewal (£27.00 min recommended)</p> <p>j) Letter dated 14/2/07 from DDDC re Parish Conferences and Planning Advice Note No 1.</p> <p>k) Letter dated 19/2/07 from DDDC – Area Community Forums in March 2007.</p> <p>l) Notes of the Parish Council Conferences held in Bakewell & Ashbourne on 23 & 30 Jan 07.</p> <p>m) Letter dated 19/2/07 and leaflets from DDDC re Area Community Forum at Doveridge on 19/3/07.</p> <p>n) Letter dated 21/2/07 and enclosures re District and Parish Council Elections on 3/5/07.</p> <p>o) Agenda from DDDC’s Standards Committee on 5/3/07.</p> <p>p) Countryside Voice – Spring 2007 Magazine from Campaign to Protect Rural England.</p> <p>q) Clerks & Councils Direct - March Edition of Magazine.</p> <p>r) Letter dated 26/2/07 from SJL Landscapes re revised quotation for grounds maintenance programme.</p> <p>s) Letter dated 27/2/07 from Rachel Roe of Ashmore Bed & Breakfast enclosing £120.00 (cash) from ‘tea & scone’ afternoon towards Playground Fund.</p> <p>t) Letter dated 28/2/07 from MOMS (Maintain Our Maternity Unit) Campaign –</p>		

		<p>Darley Maternity Unit.</p> <p>u) DALC letter dated 2/3/07 re Review of Maternity Services in North Derbyshire – Conference on Sat 24/3/07.</p> <p>v) DALC – Membership of the Association of Burial Authorities for 2007/08 (£58.00).</p> <p>w) DALC letter dated 29/1/07 re Social Evening for Clerks and Staff on 18/6/07.</p> <p>x) DALC General Circular No 05/2007.</p> <p>y) DALC Circular No 06/2007 – Parish Plan Surgeries.</p> <p>z) DALC Circular No 07/2007 – Local Council Review Subscriber Form.</p> <p>aa) DALC Circular No 08/2007 – Aggregates Levy Sustainability Fund – Derbyshire Aggregates Levy Grant Scheme (DALGS).</p> <p>bb) DALC Circular No 09/2007 – Important – Code of Practice on Local Authority Publicity in the Run Up to an Election.</p> <p>cc) HM Revenue & Customs Leaflet – Employers Workshops.</p> <p>dd) Letter dated 1/3/07 from the Society of Local Council Clerks re membership.</p> <p>ee) Letter dated 4/3/07 from Mrs M Burton re potholes.</p> <p>ff) DALC Annual Subscription Renewal from 1/4/07 to 31/3/08.</p> <p>gg) Letter dated 6/3/07 from Mrs Nandi re possibility of adapting some local stiles to accommodate the elderly.</p> <p>hh) Update dated 6/3/07 from the A50 Action Group.</p>																																																																											
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There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.15 pm.

The date of the next meeting is 4th April 2007 to be held in the Village Hall Kitchen.

Signature of Chairman **Date**