

MINUTES OF THE EATON BRAY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
Monday 4th July 2005 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Cllr M Beal (In the chair)
D Marriage
R Bagni
R Windmill
M Heyland
L Tribbick
K Janes
D Hayes

IN ATTENDANCE: T Littley (Clerk)
ALSO PRESENT: Fran Barnes, Liz Hopwood and 1 member of the public

APOLOGIES: Cllr Pearson and County Cllr Piggott

SPECIFIC DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

Page Number	Member declaring Interest	Present or Absent during discussion
1052	Cllr Marriage	Present
1051	Cllr Beal	Present
1053	Cllr Bagni	Present
1053	Cllr Windmill	Present

Nature of Interest

Cllr Marriage – Secretary of the Sports & Social Club
Cllr Beal – Treasurer of Youth Club
Cllr Bagni – Friend of planning applicant – 05-0632, 05-0649
Cllr Windmill – Friend of planning applicant – 05-0649

CHAIRMANS COMMENTS:

Beds Police Authority – The official launch of the Annual Policing Plan 2005, 18th & 19th July, Cllrs wishing to attend to inform Clerk. Cllr Beal has confirmed attendance.

MP Andrew Selous will be holding a village surgery on 22nd July in the Coffee Tavern car park. Notice on board.

Details of ‘Operation Scorpion’ Environmental day which involves Police, Fire, SBDC targeting areas including Eaton Bray. Details in circulation file.

Copy of letter to Andrew Emerton, SBDC from Cllr Heyland requesting information on the installation of a septic tank at a property in Wellhead.

Copy of letter to Highways from Cllr Heyland requesting information on a decision type of carriageway within Wellhead.

Items placed in the circulation file:

? SBDC – Notice of meeting, Executive Committee, 14/6

ACTION

Cllr Beal

- ? SBDC – Notice of meeting, Planning Committee, 15/6
- ? The Chilterns Conservation Board – Chilterns Buildings Design Guide.
- ? SBDC – South Beds Local Development Scheme.
- ? B.C.C. Highways – Term contract for Highways Services.
- ? SBDC – Notice of meeting, Standards Committee, 23/6.
- ? SBDC – Minutes of meeting, Licensing sub-committee, 31/5.
- ? SBDC – Minutes of meeting, Executive, 14/6.
- ? SBDC – Notice of meeting, Licensing Sub Committee, 29/6.
- ? SBDC – Notice of meeting, Licensing Committee, 29/6/
- ? SBDC – Notice of meeting, Full Council, 28/6.
- ? Defra – Clean neighbourhoods and environment act 2005.
- ? Local Council Review – Newsletter.
- ? SBDC – Notice of meeting, Planning Committee, 6/7.
- ? SBDC – Minutes of meeting, Planning Committee. 15/6.
- ? MP Selous – Notification of village surgery, 22 July. Notice on board.
- ? Beds C.C. – Temporary road closure notice –The Rye, 11/7 – 5/8.

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:

Parish Council meeting – Page 1045 – delete Cllrs Heyland and Janes from ‘Present’. These were then signed as a true record of that meeting.

G.P. Committee meeting – These were signed as a true record of that meeting.

DISTRICT & COUNTY AND OTHER REPRESENTATIVES:

Fran Barnes – Youth Club Leader reported to the Council that funding is now in place for an extra youth night. The two nights will be split into two age groups. Attendance has been consistent and behaviour has improved. The Cllrs thanked Fran for the continue success of the Club.

Cllr Janes reported that SBDC are busy with the new licensing laws and issuing of licences. The ‘SBDC Licensing Act – Member Training 2005’ information brochure was placed in the circulation file.

The agenda changed to allow the member of Public to approach the table;

A resident of Moor End reported to the Cllrs an incident of vandalism and the poor response from the Police to follow up. The Cllrs advised the resident that any incidences should be reported at all times and to obtain crime numbers. E-mailing P.C. Johnson may also assist.

MATTERS ARISING:

Programme of Sports Pitch Maintenance: Sports & Social Club committee meeting on Thursday 7th July to discuss maintenance fees.

Letter to Chief of Police: Letter received from Chief Superintendent Mike Colbourne, Divisional Commander confirming that issues are being dealt with and the Police are currently recruiting additional Police Community Support Officers. All correspondence included in the circulation file.

Hedgerows: Residents have been written to. Cllr Heyland confirmed that the hedge along Manton Road/Springfield road has now been cut, although one area still has some hedgerow to be attended to.

School Visit: Head teacher – Mrs Hounslow has responded that she would like to attend the August meeting. Clerk to invite to meeting.

Clerk

Bench: Glasdon have sent through a visual of the wording for the plaque to be approved. Clerk to liaise with Cllr Pearson to have wording approved by resident.

Clerk
Cllr Pearson

Churchyard: David Granger has attended to the graveyard but some areas have been missed out. Clerk to contact contractor to meet with Cllr Marriage.

Clerk
Cllr
Marriage

Pro-formas: Cllrs forwarded details of items monitored. Clerk to ascertain works to be completed and inform SBDC of necessary items to be attended to.

Clerk

Height Barrier: Tenders have been received; clarification needed on items of galvanised and paint works. Cllrs Marriage and Hayes to word request and issue to Clerk for contractors. Outcome to be decided at G.P. Committee meeting.

Cllrs
Marriage,
Hayes
Clerk

Motorcycles: Clerk has E-mailed Gordon Batey regarding noise, no further response made. Defer until events happen again.

Clerk

Security Coffee Tavern: Cllr Pearson to attend to. Clerk to chase.

End of Year Return: Information was forwarded to Cllr Tribbick detailing risk assessments

Wallace Estate: Awaiting reply from Andy Jones at SBDC ref the mature tree. Information has been passed to SBDC with regards to road signs, awaiting reply.

Clerk

G.P. COMMITTEE REPORT – FROM MEETING 17/6/05:

Allotment tenant – John Hopwood forwarded to the Committee details and costs for extra water supplies for the site. Cllr Marriage proposed that the scheme goes ahead as detailed and implemented in February 2006, providing budgetary conditions allow, seconded by Cllr Bagni, unanimous. Clerk to arrange tidying of unused allotments.

Clerk

Further to the applications and interviews carried out, Mrs Liz Hopwood has accepted the position of Clerk. Cllr Beal contacted Beds R.C.C. to clarify that the relationship between John Hopwood as maintenance person would not be detrimental to the Council with Liz as Clerk. Louise Ashmore confirmed that the relationship could be an advantage as Liz lives in the village. A system will be set up which will allow Cllrs to see the jobs and hours carried out by John under Liz's instruction.

SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB:

Further to the expiry of the lease, a Section 25 order was served on the members of the club. This notice is 'Landlord's Notice Ending A Business Tenancy with Proposals for a New One'. Cllr Marriage as Secretary to the Club has informed the Council's solicitors that they intend to renew the lease. Cllr Marriage has initiated a budget for the club which includes monies for repairs. A Sports & Social Club Committee meeting will be held on Thursday 7th July to discuss above items. The Parish Council are concerned with the lack of information forthcoming from the club. An extraordinary meeting inviting the club to attend in order that they can put forward their proposals to be arranged.

APPOINTMENT OF CLERK:

Liz Hopwood has been appointed as Clerk from 1st July 2005 and will fully take over the role from Monday 11th July.

REPORTS:

Booth Place: Cllr Hayes reported that resurfacing of the private road of Booth Place is still unresolved.

BEVEC: Cllr Hayes reported that the Salvation Army form part of the 9 organisations making up the BEVEC group. The S.A. now has a memorandum of understanding and Cllr Hayes is now trained as a reception manager in the event of a big scale disaster.

Learner lorries through village: Reports of increased activity of learner lorries through the village have been noted. Cllr Janes informed the Council that the test centre for learner drivers is based in Leighton Buzzard and therefore it is inevitable that lorries will pass through. Cllr Janes added that SBDC have a contact for Highways, details will be passed to the Clerk.

Cllr Janes
Clerk

Coffee Tavern Keys: Fran Barnes – Youth Club leader has requested keys, Cllr Beal proposed that a set be given to Fran, seconded by Cllr Bagni, unanimous. Cllr Beal will issue.

Cllr Beal

Eaton Bray Lower School: Cllr Heyland reported that changes to OFSTED inspections will focus on paperwork and not teaching.

Cemetery – Memorial Bed: Reports of overgrown brambles Clerk to organise clear up.

Clerk

NEXT AGENDA:

EBPC – Planning Representative

PLANNING:

Objections were raised on the following applications;

Overdevelopment

SB-OUT-05-0621 Erection of detached dwelling & associated garage building, 16 Moor End.

Overdevelopment

SB-TP-05-0632 Erection of first floor side extension, 36 The Orchards.

No objections were raised on the following applications;

SB-TP-05-0618 Erection of single storey rear extension and detached dwelling within cartilage of no. 28 High Street and incorporating new and existing vehicular crossovers, 28 High Street.

SB-TP-05-0649 Erection of single storey side extension to garage, 29 The Comp.

SB-TP-05- 0642 Erection of two storey side and single storey rear extension, 4 Icknield Cottages.

SB-TP-05-0658 Erection of single storey and first floor front extensions (amended Scheme 04-1118) 17 Park Lane.

Cllr Bagni proposed that the accounts for June were paid, seconded by Cllr Janes, unanimous.

Cllr Janes proposed that the accounts for July were paid in August by three Cllrs, seconded by Cllr Hayes, unanimous.

Cllr Marriage reported that company KJM Todd associates is now in liquidation, any outstanding invoices will be deferred until notification from the creditors.

ACCOUNTS:

PAYEE		AMOUNT	V.A.T.
Mr Hodge	Windows (C.Tav)	10.00	
Mrs Hignell	Caretaker (C.Tav)	83.33	
John Hopwood	Maintenance	96.22	
Inland Revenue	PAYE	54.56	
David Granger	Ground Maintenance	784.90	
	Church yard	581.63	116.90
T Littley	Clerk	453.08	86.63
British Gas	Coffee Tavern	26.39	
PWLB	Loan	3578.28	
	TOTAL	£5668.39	£203.53

INCOME

Mr Bailey	Cottage Rent	188.00
Lettings	Coffee Tavern	114.00
EBS&SC	Loan	*
Lloyds TSB	Interest	*
Bank of Ireland	Interest	*
EDF Energy	Wayleaves	16.75
	TOTAL	£

BALANCES at close of business * Info not yet rec'd.

Lloyds TSB £*
Bank of Ireland £*

Dated this day of 2005