

MINUTES OF THE EATON BRAY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
Held Monday 6th March 2006 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Cllr D Marriage(In the chair)
M Heyland
R Bagni
D Pearson
K Janes

IN ATTENDANCE: Liz Hopwood (Clerk)

ALSO PRESENT: 7 members of the Public. Mr Janes from Roebuck Garage and his Architect.

APOLOGIES:

Cllr Beal Cllr Tribbick Cllr Hayes Cllr Piggott
Cllr Windmill

SPECIFIC DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

Nature of Interest : No new declarations

Public Open Forum:

Victoria Sutton the spokesperson for Northall Road Residents updated the PC on her efforts to get a solution to the fly tipping problem.

She had met with the MP Andrew Selous and gave the PC a copy of the letter she had sent to him.

She is keen to get Residents to complain directly to the District and County Council, and has made notices showing contact telephone numbers.

County Councillor Brian Piggott had sent a message to say that he was working on getting a meeting set up with the Management of the Travellers Site and also ascertaining who was responsible for clearing the metal that had been dumped in the area.

Victoria was asked to communicate any developments to the PC. and was thanked for her attendance.

The Clerk was thanked for her successful efforts in having the dumped gas cylinders removed.

Mrs Cook a local resident attended to voice her concerns over a Planning Application in Moor End. She felt that this development would cause her property to lose light and be overlooked.

It was unanimously decided to object to this Planning Application due to overdevelopment.

CHAIRMANS COMMENTS:

Information received giving details of road closure The Rye for 3 weeks from 13th March due to bridge repairs

Land Registry: Invitation for voluntary registration of land holdings.

Clerk to check what is already registered and report back to PC.

Common Land:

ACTION

Clerk

Clerk

Clerk to check Common Land records to ensure that they are correct.	Clerk
Letters had been received from Mr Roberts of High Street Eaton Bray who was concerned about Learner HGV lorries using the Village. He had counted at least 22 lorries during a two week period.	
The Clerk had informed him of the PC's previous contact with the Test Centre.	
It was decided that the Clerk should send a copy of his letter to the Test Centre after seeking his agreement.	Clerk
Macmillan Cancer Relief Fund:	
A letter asking for a donation had been received. It was unanimously agreed to donate £50 to this very good cause.	
Chilterns AONB:	
As it is their 40 th anniversary they are offering grants to Parish Councils from their funds. GP Committee to discuss.	GP Committee
The Pound:	
The telegraph pole that had been erected on the Pound without the permission of the PC was discussed. A reply from BT just gave a claim form for a Wayleave payment. Clerk to research if this pole could be moved to the edge of the site and also to confirm that this was erected legally.	Clerk
Speeding and traffic calming:	
After two letters had recently been published in Focus Magazine complaining about the Parish Councils response in dealing with this issue, it was unanimously decided that all of the ongoing works with regard to this issue be placed in Focus for all to see.	Clerk
Advice has been sought again from the Road Safety Team; details of flashing 30 signs are to be sought from neighbouring Parishes.	
The Bedfordshire Highways Representative is to walk the Village with the PC to advise on measures that may be helpful. Clerk to arrange dates.	Clerk
County Councillor Piggott had also contacted the Clerk to offer his support with this.	
Rotary Club Environmental Awards:	
Clerk to return completed Application form.	Clerk
Items placed in the circulation file	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ? Beds County Council- Review of School Structures ? Voluntary& Community Action Draft Strategic Plan 	

- ? BRCC- Network News
- ? Aylesbury Vale- Draft Statement of Community Involvement
- ? SBDC-Information
- ? Bedfordshire Casualty Reduction Newsletter
- ? Local Council Review

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:

Parish Council meeting – 09-02-06 page 1093 alteration to Village Hall AGM. Page 1095 insert P into Springfield .These were then signed as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

District and County Representatives:

Cllr Janes reported that he had spoken to SBDC with regard to the fly tipping issue in Northall Road. They were having difficulty in finding out who should be keeping the verge and Travellers Site tidy.

The River Ouzel Board had previously cleared the site, but as it was on the border of Beds and Bucks, ownership of the problem was difficult.

He will request a copy of the agreement between the Management of the Travellers Site and Beds CC.

Cllr Janes

This will be an ongoing item on future agenda's and he will then be able to chase Environmental Services.

Villagers must be proactive in contacting the Council to report dumping of rubbish.

The agenda then changed to allow Residents to voice their concerns on the Planning Application for redevelopment of the Roebuck Garage Site

Mr Janes the owner and his Architect were in attendance to answer any questions.

The Parish Council decided that in principle they had no objections but would put forward to SBDC the Residents concerns as follows.

- ? Highway access to the High Street could cause congestion
- ? Insufficient parking spaces
- ? Loss of privacy
- ? Houses overlooked
- ? Emergency vehicle access
- ? Development would dominate the Village
- ? Visual height

Clerk

They were thanked for their attendance.

MATTERS ARISING:

Cold Calling Signs:

The tri signs have now been erected in the Village and all residents have received a leaflet and sticker with Focus Magazine. Thanks are given to the distributors.

Taverners Bridge Club:

A mutually convenient time to be arranged with the Bridge Club to discuss further, access to the Coffee Tavern for disabled users.

Clerk

Golf Games Recreation Grounds:

It was unanimously decided to change the byelaws in line with the GP Committee's recommendations.

Clerk to check if this can be just advertised in Focus or if it needs to be put in local papers.

Clerk

Nurseries Kissing Gate:

This alteration has been completed.

Public meets the PC:

The date and time have been advertised in Focus and around the Village.

Grounds Maintenance:

The Hawthorn infill at Bower Lane Cemetery will be completed by Cllr's Bagni, Heyland and Pearson this weekend weather permitting.

Cllrs

Play Area Inspections:

The quote from Wicksteed has now been received GP Committee to discuss.

GP Committee

School Council meets the PC:

This meeting took place on 23rd February with lots of interesting dialogue with the youngsters. The meetings will take place every 6 months and hopefully the SC will meet the PC next at The Coffee Tavern.

Allotment Water Supply:

The work on the water tanks at the Allotments has now been satisfactorily completed.

Coffee Tavern Power Supplier:

Supplier now changed and Direct Debit put in place.

Handyman's Tool Kit:

It was proposed by Cllr Bagni unanimous to check the tool kit each year. Cllr Marriage to liaise with John Hopwood to undertake this.

Cllr Marriage

Bower Lane Cemetery Fence:

As more space is needed in the Cemetery the fence needs to be moved back.
Concise measurements are needed so as not to encroach on neighbouring property.
GP Committee to look at this after liaison with owners.
After this is completed 3 prices to be obtained.

GP Committee
Clerk

Parish Council Records:

The Chairman, Vice Chairman and Clerk have spent a considerable amount of time looking into the alternatives.
The Council concluded that the present system of back up discs stay in place.

Village Hall (KJM Todd payments)

Clerk

As the outstanding work connected with invoice 2669/6 is now completed the payment can be made.

Work connected with invoice no 2669/5 is still incomplete so payment will be withheld.

Parish Council AGM:

The Parish Council AGM will take place on Monday 8th May at 7.30pm
Followed by the Parish Council meeting on 9th May at 7.30pm

REPORTS:

Finance Committee:

An extra column has been inserted into the budget sheet to ensure ring fencing of finances

Help will be given to the Clerk with the completion of the end of year returns.

Clerks Report:

Graffiti at Moor End bus stop has been painted over by the Handyman.

SBDC have dealt with graffiti in Knights Close

Faulty street light reported Lords Terrace.

Coffee Tavern external light now repaired.

Sports & Social Club Lease:

The lease has now been signed Clerk to return to Austin's Solicitors with payment.
Lease to be held in the Solicitors files.

Clerk

NEXT AGENDA:

Northall Road Fly Tipping, Handyperson's pay review, Burial charges. Speeding Traffic.

PLANNING:

TP/06/0095 Crosswaters Farmhouse Tring Road- Construction of farm access road

Clerk

It is unclear why this road is needed. PC request more information before they can make a decision

TP/06/0139 89 Bower Lane - Erection of Conservatory to rear

Objection: In Green Belt

TP/06/0173 39 Moor End - Partial demolition of existing building. Part single/part two storey extensions and alterations to form two storey dwelling (revised application)

Objection: Overdevelopment

TP/06/0175 18 Greenways - Erection of single storey side and rear extensions (revised application)

No objection

TP/06/0153 Roebuck Garage High Street -Demolition of existing buildings and erection of 8 no. dwellings

No objection in principle
Residents views sent to SBDC

Clerk

ACCOUNTS:

Councillor Janes proposed that the accounts for February be paid seconded by Councillor Pearson unanimous.

Councillor Bagni would like to invite you all for a drink after next months PC meeting.