

**BRETBY PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY PARISH MEETING HELD**  
**MONDAY 5<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2015**  
**IN THE WRAGG ROOM, ST WYSTANS, BRETBY**

**Present:** Cllr M Falder (Chairman), Cllr M Bridges, Cllr G Corner, Cllr L Meyrick, Cllr Mrs J Wilkinson.

**In Attendance:** Mrs J Storer – Clerk  
District Councillor Peter Smith (to 8:19pm)  
District Councillor Michael Stanton (to 8:19pm)  
County Councillor Lindon Chilton (to 8:19pm)

**14/65 Apologies**

No apologies were received.

**14/66 Variation of Order of Business**

No items were identified that required the order of business to be varied.

**14/67 Declaration of Interests:**

No declarations were received.

**14/68 Public Speaking**

**a) Members of the Public and Council to comment on any matter**

There were no members of the public present.

**b) Police, County Council and District Council members to raise any relevant matter**

Police

No representatives from the police were present.

District & County Council

Cllr Wilkinson reported that some work relating to the drains on Bretby Lane has been undertaken in a neighbouring field during early December 2014. Mr S Toon has attempted to obtain an update from DCC as to when the next phase will be undertaken but to date, he has received no reply. Cllr Chilton reported that a further scheme of works is still awaited from the contractor and this matter will be raised at the next Area Form (on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2015). Cllr Smith agreed to raise it formally so that an update will be ready for that meeting.

It was agreed that the wall on Newton Lane has been well constructed but enquiries were made as to why a small section of the wall is still to be completed. Cllr Chilton commented that the delay is for contractual reasons and the road closure is still in force until the end of January 2015.

Cllr Falder enquired about the 2015/16 budget for the County and the District Councils. Cllr Stanton reported that SDDC is unaware how the cuts will be implemented. Cllr Chilton reported that the mobile library service has been cut back to 2 buses; the Highways Dept is depleted and that staff are suffering from stress. She added that the Rural Broadband Scheme is on target. Cllr Meyrick stated that the box on Bretby Lane is in place but the cabling has not yet been extended to the box. Cllr Chilton will pursue this.

Cllr Chilton gave the Clerk a report on the 2011 census which related specifically to Bretby.

She report that a landowner has been served with a notice to repair the defective stile on public footpath 13.

Cllr Smith reported that both DCC and SDDC cannot determine ownership of the proposed area for the siting of the noticeboard on Bretby Lane. Cllr Smith informed that in light of this, the noticeboard could be erected without permission; DCC needs only to be advised of the location (corner of Oldicot Lane and Bretby Lane). The Clerk will advise the owners of 62 Bretby Lane that the noticeboard will be erected.

Cllr Falder enquired why a key will not be provided to the gate on Blindman's Alley and asked how a landowner can obtain access to maintain/cut the hedges and how emergency vehicles can access the area. Cllr Chilton will provide Cllr Falder with contact details for him to make these enquiries direct to DCC.

Cllr Chilton reported that free internal sensor LED bulbs are available to vulnerable people within Derbyshire.

The proposed development of 450+ houses at Hartshorne was discussed. Cllr Stanton explained that where the proposed access is to be located is controversial and that the whole of the A514 is being reviewed.

No application has yet been submitted regarding the 2 rail head applications, but the PR exercises are continuing in relation to both.

**c) Parish Council Members declaring an interest other than Disclosable Pecuniary Interest wishing to make representation**

No representations were made

8:19pm Cllrs Chilton, Smith and Stanton left the meeting.

**14/69 To confirm the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2014,** these were circulated, read, approved and signed as a correct record by Cllr Falder.

**14/70 To determine which items if any, should be taken with the public excluded.**  
No items were deemed necessary to be taken in Part 2 other than the item already identified in the agenda.

**14/71 To receive the Chairman's Announcements**  
The Chairman had nothing to report.

**14/72 To receive the Report of the Clerk**  
a) The Clerk's report as previously circulated was accepted.  
b) The Clerk reported that Mr Badger has resigned as a Parish Councillor. The Clerk had informed the Elections Officer at SDDC and had placed the legal notice inviting an election. No election has been called and the Parish Council can proceed to co-opt a Cllr. The Clerk has erected a notice advertising the vacancy.

**14/73 Bretby Drains**  
No further information was available other than that provided earlier in the meeting.

#### 14/74 Correspondence

1. DALC – Various circulars
2. Ms Carney – Enquiry via the website about returning a photo album to Bretby
3. DCC – No key will be provided to the Parish Council for the new gate at Geary Lane
4. SDDC – Community & Planning Briefing Sessions – 12<sup>th</sup> November 2014
5. Repton Parish Council – Copy of letters relating to the East Midlands Integral Modal Park
6. Mrs Williams – Sent in a framed embroidery entitled Bretby Village Garden Festival 1993
7. Mr Lewis – speculative enquiry as to whether there is any grounds maintenance work available
8. SDDC – LDF: Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report
9. SDDC – Summer sports activities 2015
10. SDDC – Re-launch of the Community Partnership Grant Scheme
11. SDDC – Joint meeting with SDDC & Parish Councils 14<sup>th</sup> January 2015
12. SDDC – Confirmation that no election has been requested for the Cllr vacancy and that the Parish Council can proceed to co-opt to fill the vacancy

#### 14/75 Finance

(a) Accounts for Payment

The following accounts were passed for payment

00361	Mrs J Storer – Petty Cash	£TBC
00364	HMRC – Clerk’s tax (Sept – Jan incl)	£128.20
00365	HMRC – Clerk’s tax (Feb)	£25.60
00366	HMRC – Clerk’s tax (March)	£25.80
s/o	Mrs J Storer – Clerk fee December	£xxx
s/o	Mrs J Storer – Clerk fee for January	£xxx
	<i>Cheque necessary for £8.48</i>	
s/o	Mrs J Storer – Clerk fee for February	£xxx
s/o	Mrs J Storer – Clerk fee for March	£xxx

Money Received

Deposit interest	£0.11
Deposit interest	£0.12

(b) Risk Assessment

There are no known additional items that require including in the risk assessment.

(c) To set the precept for the year ending 2015/16

The Clerk had previously circulated an actual to budget report and a draft budget for 2015/16. Cllrs discussed the implications of reducing the precept and of the level of reserves required for the medium term.

***RESOLVED to set the precept for 2015/16 at £3000.00***

#### 14/76 To consider Planning Applications

9 2014 0906 – The pruning of an oak tree covered by SDDC TPO 150 at 2 Ashby Road East, Bretby

***No Objections***

9 2014 1005 – The proposed first floor extension and the creation of a balcony at 73 Bretby Lane, Bretby

**No Objections**

9 2014 1042 – The relocation of two illuminated signage totems at Premier Inn, Ashby Road East, Bretby

**No Objections**

#### **14/77 Consultations**

(a) SDDC – LDF: Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report – comments by 22.12.14

No comments were made.

(b) DCC – Community Transport – comments by 14.12.14

No comments were made.

#### **14/78 Governance**

(a) To adopt the amendment to the Standing Orders

As reported in the Clerk's report, the adoption of the Recording Protocol has meant that section 31 of the Standing Orders conflicts with the Protocol. To rectify this, Section 31 of the Standing Orders is to be amended.

**RESOLVED to amend section 31 of the Standing Orders to**

**31) Members of the public are permitted to film or record meetings to which they are permitted access in a non disruptive manner. Meetings or parts of meetings from which the press and public are excluded may not be filmed or recorded.**

(b) To adopt the Shared Parental Leave Policy

Following changes in the law, parents now can share the parental leave. This policy has been drafted by the HR expert for DALC.

**RESOLVED to adopt the policy without change.**

#### **14/79 Items for information only**

(a) Reports from Meetings attended

None attended.

(b) Notification of Forthcoming meetings

i) SDDC & Parish Councils Liaison Meeting = 14<sup>th</sup> January 2015 @ 6.30pm

ii) Safer Neighbourhood & Area forum = 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2015 @ 6.15pm at Findern Village Hall

(c) Parish Cllrs Reports

Soil and the verge are encroaching onto the pavement between the Golf Club and the Stanhope Arms.

**The Clerk will report this to DCC.**

#### **14/80 Future Agenda Items**

Bretby Lane drains

The Chairman moved the following resolution - "That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted (in respect of the personal situation of an employee which could result in legal proceedings) it is advisable in the public interest, that the press and public be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw."

**14/81 Clerk's gratuity and pension**

Pay award

**RESOLVED: to increase the Clerk's pay in line with the recommendation from the DALC circular (Nov 2014). The gross salary per month, with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2015 will be £128.70.**

**RESOLVED: to make a one off payment of £8.11 as per the DALC circular (Nov 2014).**

Pension

The Clerk's report on pension arrangements was accepted.

***RESOLVED for the role of the Clerk to be enrolled in the DCC pension scheme, with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2015.***

**14/82 Date of next meeting**

The next Parish Council

Meeting will be held on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2015 at 7.30pm at St Wystan's Church.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8:55pm.