

East Drayton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held at 7pm on Monday 18th November 2024 in the Village Hall.

Present: Cllrs S Manson (Chair), P Darlow, A Stanley, G Small, S Purnell, I Stephens; the Clerk. Mr Ellis

1. **Apologies for Absence:** Cllr Bond, Dcllr Griffin
2. **Minutes of the meeting held on 16th September 2024** - approved and signed.
3. **To consider matters arising from the above minutes:**

a. Discretionary Grants - in the absence of Dcllr Griffin there was no information on this.

b. Riddings Lane footbridge -Cllr Stanley had tried unsuccessfully to contact Mr Concannon by phone. Clerk to send Cllr Stanley his email address. ACTION - Clerk then Cllr Stanley.

c. Cllr Manson was still pursuing the issues of badly repaired potholes in the village. Cllr Manson found the Highways department unhelpful in this matter. He noted that information and photographs of many potholes had been sent repeatedly to CCllr Ogle and the Highways department on the following dates - January 2022 and 2023; March and May 2023; August and September 2024 and October 2024, when they were also sent to DCllr Griffin. Cllr Manson will also report the dangerous state of the road at the "S" bend on Stokeham Road where the potholes are extremely hazardous - ACTION - Cllr Manson and CCllr Ogle.

d. Church Lane - streetlight - Cllr Small contacted NCC again about this on 13th November to be told his report 2 months ago had not been logged. Action would now be taken within 10 working days. Cllr Small to monitor. ACTION - Cllr Small

e. Back Lane by-way - Cllr Small has been in communication with VIAEM for a number of months regarding restricting off-road vehicle access. Currently it seems it will not be possible to have this gated during the winter as requested.

f. There were no other matters arising.

4. **Declarations by Councillors of any disclosable pecuniary interest(s) in any agenda item.**
None.
5. **Planning** - 24/01066/VOC - EDPC's OBJECTION to the application relating to the land behind the Blue Bell Inn was submitted on 1st October 2024. The application is currently listed as "awaiting decision".
6. **Correspondence** - emails and letters from North Notts CFR thanking EDPC for the donation; a request from Mrs Goddard re the Churchyard Fund (see below) and information regarding the Budget from NALC (for the January meeting).

7. Urgent Business -

- Flood Response Group - the Clerk had previously shared the minutes of the last meeting. Regarding ED - the flood container. Cllr Small confirmed the winter road supplies were now in the container (last year's to be moved there). There are some sandbags and plenty of hessian bags but fresh sand is required. DCllr Griffin would organise that. ACTION - Cllr Manson

Sign for outside the container ACTION - the Clerk

Cllr Small to check the roadside grit bins and refresh where necessary. ACTION - Cllr Small

8. Meeting adjourned for public discussion

- a. Mr Ellis queried the notice from VIA regarding the installation of posts between Greenacres and the village on Darlton Rd. There is a phone number on the notice for questions relating to the notice.

9. Finance

- a. Income : £2096.50 BDC 2nd precept; £5962 from Groundwork UK, final grant for the NP.
- b. Accounts for payment
 - TEEC website (Mr Ellis) £200.76 - APPROVED
 - EDVH - hall hire - £76 - APPROVED
 - The Clerk - expenses May - November £21.75 - APPROVED
- c. Balance - at 18/11/24 - £11,870.01 (including grant £5962)
- d. Budget 24/25 - £1493 available

10. Neighbourhood Plan There were 8 applications received in the "Call for Sites". These are be independently considered by AECOM based on their criteria of suitability. Neither the PC nor the NP Steering Group have any involvement in this independent assessment. The PC had been informed a site visit had taken place and the report should be available soon. The consultant is awaiting this to complete the draft NP.

11. General Business

- The PC considered the request from Mrs Goddard for a donation towards the Churchyard Fund. As other funding avenues were being considered the PC will reconsider the application in January. In the meantime, Cllr Stevens would contact Mrs Goddard regarding funding and Mr Bartle would be approached to see what he could do regarding a replacement mower. ACTION - Cllr

Stevens and Cllr Stanley respectively. The Clerk to contact Mrs Goddard with an update.

- The Clerk to circulate the 2025 EDPC meeting dates. ACTION - the Clerk
- Bonfires - Yew Tree Cottage. Repeated bonfires have been held at this property in recent weeks causing a nuisance - thick black smoke over other properties; ash falling on homes and gardens and a neighbouring fence scorched. Cllr Stevens has reported this to Environmental Health at BDC and photos had/would be sent. Cllr Stevens to follow up. ACTION - Cllr Stevens
- Cllr Purnell reported from the VH committee that there would not be a Children's Party this year due to a lack of response in previous years. However the "Meet and Eat" lunches had proved very popular and would continue during January and February when Mr and Mrs Garfoot were away. The proceeds are shared between the VH and the Church.
- Cllr Stanley confirmed the Carol Service and nativity would take place on Wednesday 18th December at 6pm in Church.
- NATIONAL GRID - Cllr Small reported that archaeological surveys had been carried out last week on his land as the National Grid are now proposing to site the new power lines between Mill House and Church Lane Farm on Church Lane. They would cross Darlton Road between Strawsons and Greenacres. The proximity of these lines and pylons to properties in the village is of great concern to the PC. This new proposal will be for consultation in **Spring 2025**. The PC will monitor the situation.
- No other matters arising.

12. Date of next meeting - MONDAY 20th January 2025 at 7:00pm.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8:15pm and thanked everyone for attending.

Signed.....

Cllr S Manson, Chairman, East Drayton Parish Council

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