

OVERSEAL PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of a Meeting of the Council held at the Village Hall, Overseal on Thursday 3 April 2008

Present: Mrs C M Knight - Chairman
Mr J Astle, Mr J Cunningham-Gardner, Mr P Green, Mr A R Hart, Mr M A Knight, Mr M S Patrick and Mr S C Sharpe.

In attendance: Mrs K Lauro (Derbyshire County Council), Cllr J Grant (South Derbyshire District Council), Mrs Lorraine Neave (South Derbyshire District Council) and Mr D MacMillan (PCSO).

Apologies for absence were received from Mrs R O'Brien and Miss C. Howes.

136 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

Mr J Cunningham-Gardner declared an interest in Minute nos 148 and 149 (Quotations for drainage).

137 PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

No items were raised.

138 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 6 March 2008, copies of which had been previously circulated, were approved as a true record.

139 KERBSIDE RECYCLING SCHEME.

Mrs Lorraine Neave of the District Council attended the meeting to discuss the new recycling scheme, which was being introduced in Overseal in April. She explained the various products which could be recycled and that alternate collections of domestic refuse and recycled materials would be implemented. She also undertook to see whether there was any possibility of an extra recycling point being provided at the Co-op car park on Burton Road, to help those people living in that part of the village.

140 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

140.1 Clerk's report. The Council considered the report of the Clerk (copy attached to the official copy of the Minutes).

140.2 'Eco-Town' The Clerk reported that it had been announced that the Grovewood site was no longer to be pursued as a possible site for an 'Eco-Town'.

140.3 Footpath 29 diversion. A site meeting had been held and Leicestershire County Councillors had agreed to refuse this proposal.

140.4 Gypsy Caravan site, Park Road. Cllr Grant reported that, while he had done everything possible to support the Parish Council's objection to this proposal, planning permission had nevertheless been granted.

140.5 Parking problems, Hallcroft Avenue/Woodville Road. The PCSO had monitored the situation but had not identified any recent problems.

140.6 Broken glass at the car park, Woodville Road. The PCSO had inspected the site several times but there had been no recurrence of the problem.

140.7 Widening of footpath near to the school. Mrs Lauro reported that the County Council were looking into this request and that there was a possibility that the path would be widened.

140.8 Untidy site, Lullington Road/Rights of Way. The Clerk was asked to chase these items.

141 COUNTY, DISTRICT AND POLICE MATTERS

141.1 District Council. The fence on the school side of the car park at Woodville Road had been broken and motorcyclists and bicycle riders were entering the Nature Reserve through the gap. Cllr Grant agreed to seek repairs.

141.2 Police. It was reported that the gates to the new Multi-Use Games Area were not secured properly and that some bolts had been removed. The Clerk would report this to the contractors. Generally, however, the MUGA was being very well used. The hedge adjoining the open space at Forest View was being used as a dumping point for drinks bottles and cans and the Clean Team would be asked for assistance. The PCSO would also patrol this area from time to time.

141.3 County Council. Mrs Lauro reported that the possibility of altering school holidays to coincide with those in neighbouring counties was being explored by a group of Members set up for the purpose. The local scheme for concessionary fares had now been replaced by the national scheme and the Gold Cards were being dealt with through District Councils. Bullivants bridge was still going through various planning processes. The roadside tree planting in Swadlincote was being implemented by the District Council and further information could be obtained from them.

142 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Permission had been granted for:

0804 Extension of gypsy caravan site to accommodate 3 families with a total of 6 caravans, including erection of 3 amenity blocks, land at Park Road. (Conditions included requiring a foul drainage scheme, landscaping and parking arrangements).

1222 Detached dwelling in the garden of 3 Acresford Road

1451 Triple garage and domestic workshop at rear and extend drop kerb at 179 Burton Road

1467 Detached bungalow r/o 149 Woodville Road.

Permission had been refused for:

00121 (NWLDC) Change of use to a caravan site to accommodate 19 caravans, Bridge House, Spring Cottage Road.

Applications for decision:

0277 Detached bungalow, r/o 149 Woodville Road. Supported.

0270 Conservatory, 7 Daisy Lane. Supported.

CW9/0308/236 (County Council) 2 new kiosks at the sewage pumping station, Moira Road. Supported

0300 Demolition of bungalow and erection of 2-storey dwelling at 157 Moira Road (outline). No objection to outline, but views on the detailed design etc were reserved until an application was submitted.

143 CORRESPONDENCE

143.1 Sportsmobile. The District Council would be bringing the Sportsmobile to the Village Hall grounds on Thursday 10 April between 10am and 12 noon, as this was in the Easter break. No charge would be made to the Council but the usual charge of £1 per child would be payable for the session.

143.2 Request for donation. Mencap had requested a donation to support their work in South Derbyshire. It was agreed to make a donation of £25.00.

143.3 Councillors training course. A one day course covering all aspects of the work of a Parish Council had been arranged by DALC for Saturday 17 May, between 9.30 and 3.30 at Pleasley. The cost per delegate was £20.00, including lunch. Mr J Astle would attend.

143.4 Subscription. An invitation to renew the subscription to Sharpes Pottery Heritage & Arts Trust was accepted at a cost of £25.00.

144 ACCOUNTS**144.1 Accounts for payment**

Payment of the following accounts was authorised:

No	Supplier	Description	Net	VAT	Total
*1305	South Staffordshire Water	Supply to Village Hall	201.32		201.32
*1306	South Staffordshire Water	Supply to old changing rooms	9.04		9.04
*1307	WRVS	Donation	25.00		25.00
*1308	Moira Replan	Printing & stationery	72.90		72.90
1309	L Baxter	Caretaker	414.09		414.09
1310	J M Summerfield	Litter	66.24		66.24
1311	T Stewart	Litter	132.48		132.48
1312	J E White	Salary & expenses	1160.65		1160.65
1313	HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE	316.40		316.40
1314	DALC	Subscription 2008/9	439.81		439.81
1315	DSK Engineering Services (Midlands) Ltd	Gates of Play Area at Village Hall	230.00	40.25	270.25
1316	South Staffordshire Water	Supply to bowling green	68.97		68.97
1317	e-on	Electricity to Village Hall	388.62	68.01	456.63
1318	Mencap	Donation	25.00		25.00
1319	Sharpes Pottery Heritage & Arts Trust Ltd	Subscription	25.00		25.00
1320	DALC	Training course	20.00		20.00
D/D	BT	Telephone line rental	41.61	7.28	48.89
D/D	Eclipse Networking Ltd	Internet service	24.99	4.37	29.96
D/D	South Derbyshire District Council	Rates	202.70		202.70

144.2 Receipts

The following amounts had been received since the last meeting:

L Baxter	Village Hall Lettings	256.00
Derbyshire County Council	Rights of Way refund	250.00
R Leedham	Rent of land at Lullington Road	600.00
NatWest Bank	Interest	118.40
South Derbyshire District Council	Interest on deposit	592.90
South Derbyshire District Council	Precept – 1 st instalment	14000.00

144.3 Audit. The Council's financial documents were inspected.

145 ITEMS FOR FREE FOR ALL

Planting of the Millennium Yew at Forest View.

146 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

146.1 Noise nuisance. The District Council would be asked to investigate a complaint about dogs persistently barking at premises at Woodville Road.

146.2 Village Hall fence. The fence fronting the Village Hall grounds needed repainting and the Clerk was asked to obtain a quotation.

146.3 Overhanging tree. The District Council would be asked for a report on the condition of the overhanging tree affecting premises in Woodlands Crescent.

146.4 Rights of Way. It was reported that access to footpath no. 8 from Green Lane was still not possible. The Clerk would refer this to the Footpaths Officer of the District Council and seek an update on his actions to deal with Rights of Way matters generally.

147 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC.

RESOLVED: That the Press and public be excluded from the meeting under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

148 QUOTATIONS FOR DRAINAGE.

The Council considered a quotation received for drainage works to part of the Recreation Ground. Other quotations had been sought but not received; however, the Council considered that the quotation received was reasonable
RESOLVED: That the quotation from G Babb be accepted and the work carried out as soon as ground conditions permit.

(Mr J Cunningham-Gardner declared an interest in this matter and took no part in the discussion or voting thereon).

The meeting ended at 8.25 pm

Chairman