

**BRETBY PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY PARISH MEETING HELD**  
**WEDNESDAY 13<sup>th</sup> MAY 2015 AT 7:20pm**  
**IN THE WRAGG ROOM, ST WYSTANS, BRETBY**

**Present:** Cllr M Falder (Chairman), Cllr M Bridges, Cllr S Toon.

**In Attendance:** Mrs J Storer – Clerk  
County Councillor Lindon Chilton (to 7:52pm)

**15/14 Apologies**

Apologies were received and accepted from District Cllr Smith (personal). As there was a quorum, the Parish Council meeting proceeded.

**15/15 Variation of Order of Business**

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

**15/16 Declaration of Interests:**

No declarations were received.

**15/17 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 Chilton reported that DCC is looking for care staff and a plea was made for staff to support people to continue to live independently in their own homes. Foster carers are also being sought.

The jet patcher has been in operation repairing Knights Lane.

Cllr Chilton had heard nothing further about the Bretby Lane drains since the beginning of the year and she agreed to raise the matter with DCC again in order that it can be discussed fully at the forthcoming Area Meeting in July.

A discussion took place regarding the problems experienced with limited visibility when exiting the Bretby Nurseries. Cllr Chilton agreed to make a request to the Highways Dept to provide a report as to whether there is any lack of compliance with highway regulations.

Cllr Chilton provided the Clerk with information relating to the winter service provisions provided by DCC.

Cllr Falder informed that DCC had not changed its view or opinion regarding its refusal to provide a spare key for the Transco gates off Bretby Lane. Disappointment and frustration was expressed about this decision, but no further action will be taken.

7:52pm Cllr Chilton left the meeting

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

No representations were made

**15/18 To confirm the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2015,**  
These were circulated, read, approved and signed as a correct record by Cllr Falder.

**15/19 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.

**15/20 To receive the Chairman's Announcements**  
The Chairman had nothing to report.

**15/21 To receive the Report of the Clerk**

- a) The Clerk's report as previously circulated was accepted.
- b) Min 14/97c) the rubbish along the lanes in the village were cleared by the Clean Team, but within a matter of days, the rubbish returned.
- c) The Clerk reported that DCC has erected a notice informing of 28 days to object to the noticeboard on Bretby Lane; the notice period expires on 21<sup>st</sup> May and should there be no objections, the Parish Council will be free to erect the noticeboard. Opinions were expressed that the erection of the noticeboard will provide a better location for displaying information.
- d) Min 14/97c, the landowner has replied to the letter of complaint about the overgrown hedges citing that it is not currently possible to cut the hedges due to nesting birds. Cllr Falder explained that the law surrounding the cutting of hedges related to those who claim the Single Farm Payments. As the landowner has stated that the hedges will be attended to as a matter of urgency when the landowner is permitted to cut them, no immediate action will be taken, other to monitor the situation and to ensure that the hedges are cut once the nesting season has finished.

**15/22 Parish Council Vacancies**

The Parish Council should have seven Councillors but only three Councillors were returned at the May election. As the Parish Council has a quorum it can proceed to co-opt to fill the remaining four vacancies. The Clerk has advertised the vacancies on the Parish Noticeboard and on the Parish Council website.

There has been two expressions of interest and the Parish Council.

***AGREED to contact these persons and invite them to be co-opted.***

This still leaves two vacancies. When Cllr Badger resigned, two other persons expressed interest in that vacancy.

***AGREED to contact these two persons with a view to inviting them to be co-opted onto the Parish Council.***

**15/23 Bretby Drains**

No further information was available other than that provided earlier in the meeting.

**15/24 Correspondence**

1. DALC – Various circulars
2. DCC – Consultation on the Derbyshire and Derby Mineral Local Plan
3. Bretby Estate Farms – Acknowledging the need for hedges to be cut back, but hedge cutting season is finished.
4. SDDC – Civic Council meeting – 28<sup>th</sup> May 2015 at 6.00pm

**15/25 Finance**

- (a) Accounts for Payment  
The following accounts were passed for payment

000388	HMRC – April deductions	£30.00
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000395	Mr B Wood – Internal Audit 2014/15	£44.10
000396	Came & Co – Insurance 01.06.15 – 31.05.16	£159.00
000397	Mrs J Storer – Clerk’s expenses	£64.31
s/o	Mrs J Storer – Clerk fee for April	£102.90
s/o	Mrs J Storer – Clerk fee for May	£102.90

Money Received

Deposit interest	£0.13
SDDC – first half of the precept	£1500.00
HMRC – VAT refund for 2014/15	£25.41
SDDC – Housing grant	£402.00

- (b) Risk Assessment  
There are no known additional items that require including in the risk assessment.
- (c) To accept the accounts for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2015  
The internal audit was carried out by Mr B Wood on 20<sup>th</sup> April 2015. The internal audit did not raise any areas of concern or comments.  
***RESOLVED to accept the accounts for 31.03.15, as circulated***
- (d) To complete the Audit Return for 2014/15  
The Audit Return was completed and signed by the Chairman and by the Clerk.
- (e) To amend the signatures on the bank accounts  
***RESOLVED not to amend the signatures until the additional Councillors have been co-opted.*** The matter will be put onto the agenda for the next Parish Council meeting.

**15/26 To consider Planning Applications**

9 2015 0283 – The erection of a two storey extension at 45 Ashby Road Eatst, Bretby

***No Objections***

9 2015 0081 – The felling of a blue cedar tree at Castlefields, The Green, Bretby

***No Objections***

9 2015 0314 – The siting of self storage containers, formation of access road and circulation areas, associated ground profiling and landscape works, and site lighting at Bretby Business Park, Ashby Road East, Bretby

***No Objections***

**15/27 Consultations**

- (a) DCC – Consultation on the Derbyshire and Derby Minerals Plan (07/04/15 – 31/08/15)

***No comments***

**15/28 Items for information only**

- (a) Reports from Meetings attended  
No meetings have taken place.
- (b) Notification of Forthcoming meetings  
None are known of.
- (c) Parish Cllrs Reports  
Complaints were received about the overgrown public footpath off Oldicote Lane.  
*The Clerk will report this to the Footpaths Officer at DCC.*

**15/29 Future Agenda Items**

Bretby Lane drains

**15/30 Date of next meeting**

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2015 at 7.30pm at St Wytan's Church.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8:30pm.