

## **SUTTON-cum-LOUND PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on 14<sup>th</sup> May 2008.**

**Councillors present:** Mr. Rees, Mr. Beare, Mr. McKernan, Mrs Close, Mrs. Dyson, Mr. Gough, Mr. Cody, Mr. Austin.

The Chairman declared the meeting quorate.

Mr. Beare proposed and Mr. Gough seconded a motion that the meeting be called – motion carried.

**Apologies:** Mr. Softley, Mrs. Liz Yates (BDC).

**Declarations of interest:** Mrs. Close and Mrs. Dyson declared an interest in village hall business.

Mr. Rees proposed and Mr. Gough seconded a motion that the minutes of the last meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> April 2008 be passed as a true record – motion carried.

#### **Matters arising:**

Sutton Lane Footpath – Mr. Beare noted that tractors are still driving over the new footpath. The Clerk was instructed to contact Notts CC referring to previous correspondence regarding reinstatement of bollards and to Tilm Farms Ltd. asking them to use diligence regarding the footpath.

P3 Training – an e-mail has been received from Charlotte Jolly indicating that courses may be arranged for weekends.

Gate Cottage – Mrs. Liz Yates has been in touch with BDC planning department. The owner of the property now lives in the Channel Islands and her agent is Mr. D. Kitson of Barnby Moor. The planning department will contact him to voice our concerns.

Flooding issues – Network Rail has written to say that it cannot comply with our suggestion to enter Mr. Philip's property to clear the culvert. Mr. Rees will follow up. Notts CC has set up a review committee to look into flooding problems and request responses from Parish Councils – Mrs. Dyson will follow up. Severn Trent has e-mailed regarding contact with BDC reference drainage under Portland Place, and there is a conflict of evidence, we will be kept informed. The Clerk is to review correspondence regarding the drain at Rockery Cottage. The correspondence to Mr. Bowler of BDC has had no response and the Clerk is to chase this. Mrs. Dyson has also been in touch with Mr. Bowler and Mrs. Yates and has correspondence from Notts CC scheme manager. NALC is organising a scheme for future flood protection and Mrs. Close will review this in conjunction with "Nottinghamshire Prepared".

Harry Johnson Award – Mr. McKernan will progress this.

Mr. Austin left the meeting at 8.10 p.m.

Portland Flats – The Clerk and Mr. Rees have met with Christine Eyre of A1 Housing Ltd. regarding parking problems. She has completed a Project Commissioning Form for submission to its Technical Design Services for consideration. Mrs. Close requested that

any proposals should go before the village hall management committee in case any encroachment on to village hall amenities is suggested in the proposal, Mr. Rees agreed.  
Street signs – the wrongly worded sign opposite the Gate Inn has been replaced.  
Bus shelters – Notts CC is still waiting to hear from the assessors regarding removal of the breeze block linings.  
Corner Farm – Notts CC and BDC planning have been informed of our concerns regarding damage to the road surface.  
Weed growth – Notts CC will spray within the next 1 – 2 weeks.  
Footpaths – the handover of P3 from Mr. Boote to Mr. Rees will take place before the end of May. Mr. Waterhouse has re-installed the locked gate on the track off Mire Lane.  
Mrs. Close raised again the matter of the footpath on Sutton Lane which Mr. Rees has in hand.  
Damage to Manor Farm wall – Mr. Rees still to follow up.  
Planters – these will be sited shortly at Mire Lane and Station Road corner.  
Notice board – the notice board at the village stores has still not been removed and the Clerk will speak to Mr. Pick.

#### **Agenda Item 7 – Planning.**

Council has objected to the following application on the grounds that the proposal takes no account of footpath no. 5 running through the site:

Application number 47/08/00007 – Bellmoor Farm – convert to dwelling.

The following applications have been granted permission:

Application number 47/08/00005 – Tudorstone Building Materials – extend existing plant.

Application number 47/08/00006 – 34, Portland Place – erect conservatory.

“ “ 47/08/00008 – 79, Portland Place – erect dwelling & garage.

#### **Agenda Item 8 – Finance.**

Receipts: the following monies have been received since the last meeting:

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| 280408 | HM Customs & Excise – VAT refund | 641.43  |
| 300408 | BDC – precept                    | 4697.00 |

Payments: the following payments since the last meeting were approved:

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| 140508 | Zurich Insurance – annual premium | 549.01 |
| 140508 | G. Munton – grass cut             | 116.00 |

Mr. Rees proposed and Mr. Gough seconded a motion that National Westminster Bank PLC be requested to act as Bankers to the Parish Council – motion carried.

Councillors signed a new Bank Mandate.

Councillors signed a request to close the capital reserve account and transfer the funds therein to the current account.

#### **Agenda Item 9 – Neighbourhood Watch.**

Mr. Hopkins, Chairman N. Watch, thanked the Parish Council for its donation of £70. £140 has been paid to Bassetlaw N. Watch for Ringmaster services. At the N. Watch AGM on 12<sup>th</sup> May 2008, the committee was re-elected save for Mrs. Karen Foster who stood down. Mrs. Cody was elected in her stead. 30 members plus 6 police attended the AGM. In the robbery on Sutton Lane, previously reported, 7 firearms were stolen which

have not been recovered. Financial accounts for N. Watch will be reported at its next committee meeting. The Clerk was instructed to ask Tiln Farms Ltd. to review security at the gates leading to land adjoining properties on Sutton Lane.

**Agenda Item 10 – Any Other Business.**

Bassetlaw NHS Trust is to hold a Public Information Event regarding the GP led Health Centre at Manton on 9<sup>th</sup> June.

NALC Training for New Councillors will be held on 26<sup>th</sup> June – prospective attendees to inform the Clerk.

Notts CC Building Better Communities event will be held on 17<sup>th</sup> June in Mansfield.

Notts CC Business Plan was passed to Mrs Dyson.

Notts CC Civic Service will be held on 13<sup>th</sup> July at Southwell Minster.

Robin Hood Airport has forwarded Airspace Change Proposal effective 31<sup>st</sup> July.

Notts CC Minerals Local Plan is on file.

Mrs. Dyson asked for a copy of the Electoral Roll and reminded the meeting of the Village Ventures event at the village hall on 15<sup>th</sup> May.

The Clerk was instructed to put the matter of the Old Bowling Green on the next agenda, and also to ask Welbeck Estates for a response to previous correspondence.

Mr. Beare reported that the footpaths on Portland Place are badly potholed – the Clerk to inform Notts CC.

Mr. Rees asked the Clerk to publish meeting headings in “By The Way” with a link to full publication on the web site.

**Agenda Item 11 – Comments from the Floor.**

Mr. Bradley asked if planters could be sited at the Station Road entrance to the village.

**Agenda Item 12 – Diary.**

The next meeting will be on 11<sup>th</sup> June 2008 at 7.00 p.m.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.40 p.m.