MINUTES OF DOVERIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL KITCHEN

Date: Wednesday 4th October 2006

Present: Cllrs: Hewson-Stoate (Chairman), Stubbs, Trenner, Jarville, Watkins and Carter (Clerk).

Members of the Public: 4 members of the public

Apologies: Cllrs: Brindley, Bryan, Wilshaw and C Cllr Lewer.

P /	Min No Originator Month	Title and Description	Action / Decision	Who / When	Proposer / Seconder
P	06/53	Matters raised by Members of the Public – Mrs P Prime re Letter dated 24/8/06 from Doveridge VHC.	Mr Walker raised the continuing problem of stray footballs hitting the village hall. The Clerk was asked to read the Parish Council's letter dated 14/9/06 in response to the Village Hall Committee's letter dated 24/8/06. Mr Walker said that having spoken to the junior football clubs he had been told that the Parish Council had insisted that the nets should not be removed. The Chairman said this was not the case and reiterated that the football clubs had been asked to remove the net on the posts nearest the village hall, this was confirmed by Cllr Trenner. The Chairman conceded that on a couple of occasions this had not happened. Mr Walker said he had watched footballers walk off the pitch after a game and leave the nets up. Cllr Watkins asked why he had allowed the players to leave without politely asking them to remove the nets, particularly as he was concerned about the consequence of the net remaining in position. Cllr Watkins also challenged the authenticity of the reference to alleged complaints from the WI. She was on the WI Committee and no formal complaints had been received by the committee from members and it was wrong to suggest that a complaint had been made by the WI. The Chairman said that it should be remembered that the Parish Council had already spent a considerable amount of money on window meshes and fencing and was actively looking at the possibility of extending the length of the fence. It was agreed that the matter should be put on hold pending a quote for extending the fence.		
P	06/54	Matters raised by Members of the Public – Mrs A Ainsworth re Outline Planning Permission for erection of agricultural worker's dwelling at Deepmoor Farm, Lower Street.	Mrs Ainsworth asked that a correction be made to Minute 06/54 of the meeting held on 6 th September 2006. The following amendment was agreed – 'She reported that due to the application not being advertised correctly it was necessary to re-advertise and to extend the consultation period'. She also asked how does the Parish Council come to a collective conclusion and take into account planning guidelines when considering planning applications? The Chairman explained the procedure in which Councillors comments are recorded and summarised by the Clerk for forwarding to DDDC, guidelines are held by the Clerk. Councillors local knowledge, supplemented by experience and information gained by courses and consideration to neighbours and the wider community are taken into account but Councillors are not, or expected to be, planning experts. This is the role of the Planning Officers. The Clerk handed to		

			Mrs Ainsworth copies of the Parish Council's comments on Application No 06/00647/OUT dated 24/8/06 and letter dated 20/9/06.		
P	06/21	Annual Balance Sheet	The Annual Return has been forwarded to the Audit Commission for external auditing.	Clerk	
C	06/	Approval of Minutes from 2 nd August 2006	It was agreed that the minutes be adopted as a true record, subject to the amendment agreed under Minute 06/54.		Cllr Hewson-Stoate Cllr Stubbs
P	02/09	Community Response for Civil Emergency	Cllr Jarville reported that 2 responses had been received following the up-date request. She will give a little more time for responses prior to updating the document.	Cllr Jarville	
P	03/37	Land at the rear of Meadow View – Land proposed by the Contractor to construct a play area	Nothing further to report at this time on this item.	Clerk	
P	04/38	Parish Website	Cllr Watkins reported that the diary page was in the process of being set up by Eric Roy and should be on-line very shortly. It will be possible to post events for up to 3 years in advance. Following discussion it was agreed that at this stage only special events will be entered on the diary page rather than daily events. She also reported that the Chairman of the Village Hall Committee had said how pleased she was with the parish website, as it had definitely brought outside money into the village.	Cllr Watkins	
P	05/26	Mowing – Playing Field	The edge of the playing field has partly been sprayed with an environmentally friendly weed killer. He had spoken to Lee Bassett who said he would undertake the remainder of the playing field shortly.	Clerk	
P	05/45	Proposed Purchase of 6 No Benches for Placement Outside the Pavilion	Cllrs Hewson-Stoate and Stubbs agreed to meet on site to sort out how to fix the seats in position.	Cllr Hewson-Stoate Cllr Stubbs Clerk	
P	05/57	Potential New Allotments	The Clerk reported that he had not yet circulated the sample allotment rental agreement to Cllrs for information and approval prior to issue to allotment holders.	Clerk	
P	05/58	Bus Shelter – Alms Road	The Clerk confirmed he had spoken to DCC who had informed him that one bus shelter was going to be trialed prior to refitting the others. The shelter to be fitted had not yet been selected. The Clerk was asked to check with Arriva whether or not Cook lane was a bus dropping off point as well as a picking up point.	Clerk	
P	06/3	Proposal for Sub Group to Oversee Play Equipment Maintenance & Replacement	The Clerk reported that Cllr Bryan had sent out the play equipment questionnaires to the junior school and playgroups. A notice of the play equipment survey questionnaire has also been sent to the Parish News for inclusion. Cllr Bryan has also been in touch with a large playground installation company who is offering ideas and advice and will be looking at other	Cllr Bryan Clerk	

			playgrounds which people have said are very good. Other suppliers will be contacted once we have a better understanding of our requirements.	
P	06/30	Letter from Norman Lunnun re A50	It was decided to leave the petition in the post office for the time being. The Clerk is to check the number of people who have signed and then decide whether to collect it for forwarding to the relevant authority.	Clerk
P	06/31	Letter from Village Hall Committee re Position of Football Pitch	The Chairman reported that the Winter Senior League have offered to make a new goalpost. Following discussion it was suggested by the Chairman and agreed by all Clls present to offer to pay for the cost of the materials.	Clerk
P	06/32	Asset Register	The Clerk is to produce a new draft with estimated values.	Clerk
P	06/37	Poor Condition of Pavilion Door	The Chairman reported that he had obtained a price of £200 for a softwood door. This was for the door only and did not include door furniture or glass or fitting costs. He thought that a wooden door would be sufficient for its purpose and better value than a plastic one. He would endeavour to check and provide an all in cost for the next meeting.	Chairman Clerk
P	06/39	Mobile Skate Park	The Clerk said he had not yet been able to make contact with Helen Greatorex (01629 585653) to see if it was possible to get the skate park to visit Doveridge. Cllr Watkins suggested that if possible the best time for the skate park to visit would be during the school holidays.	Clerk
P	06/47	WI letter – Vandalism at the Village Well	The Clerk reported that he has received the quotation from EstateCare dated 22/9/06 for replacing 2 broken posts with especially machined posts and make good chain link fence - £165 plus VAT. To replace all 17 posts with especially machined posts and make good chain link fence - £633 plus VAT. There would be a reduction of £18 and £155 respectively for using ordinary plain posts. The price is relatively expensive as it would be necessary to hire a generator and Kango hammer to dig out sufficiently deep holes for the posts. The alternative proposal would be to remove the fence posts and chain link altogether. Following discussion it was agreed that Cllrs would look at the area and decide what action to take at the next meeting. Cllr Watkins suggested that the WI should also be consulted prior to a decision being made and it was agreed she would approach the WI and let the Clerk know their views. Cllr Watkins subsequently contacted the Clerk to say the WI would like the fence to remain.	All Cllrs Cllr Watkins Clerk
P	06/56	Tree/Shrub Planting on Derby Road	The Clerk confirmed that he had been unable to find the relevant correspondence and had therefore written to DCC. Cllr Watkins said she thought the contact was Neil Hickman at DCC and believed that authorisation had been received to plant shrubs, but not trees, as these would restrict vision. It was agreed to await a response from DCC, meanwhile, Cllrs agreed to look at the area prior to the next meeting.	All Cllrs Clerk
P	06/57	Condition of Pond at Lake Side	The Clerk reported that he had spoken to Steven Wright, Derbyshire Project Officer for BTVC and he had agreed to come and look at the pond on 30/10/06 to see if it was the sort of project they would be able to undertake. He explained the schemes they undertook were manned by volunteers, however, they do	Clerk

			charge for their work and he hoped to be in a position to quote once he had viewed the site.		
P	06/58	Condition of Paving on Pathway between Alms Road/Cavendish close	The Clerk confirmed he had reported the pavement condition to DCC, however, having viewed the pavement he didn't consider the path to be in too poor condition. This was also the view of the Inspector (David Edge) who had left a telephone message saying the pavement had been inspected and he didn't consider it to be in a dangerous condition. Following discussion Cllr Stubbs said he considered it was in a poor condition and the Chairman asked the Clerk to ask DCC to confirm their findings in writing.	Clerk	
С	06/59	Tree Felling at 20 Park Crescent	The Clerk reported that he had written to Mr Davidson acknowledging his right to fell the tree in question. Notwithstanding this the Chairman said Mr Davidson had been reported to be breaking the planning condition that Cook Lane should not be used for access during the construction of the new property and Mr Davidson had been reminded of this requirement by DDDC.	n	
P	06/60	Condition of Playing Field Fence on Derby Road	The Clerk reported the following quotation had been received from EstateCare. Renew all 71 metres of fencing - £840.25 + VAT, renew 29 metres of fencing - £495.15 + VAT. Lee Bassett questioned the need to replace the whole length due to the high chain link fence running along a good length of the boundary. Following discussion it was agreed to defer a decision to the next meeting to give Cllrs the opportunity to inspect the fence.	All Cllrs Clerk	
P	06/61	Overgrowing Hedgerow on Footpath (Fern Leigh)	The Chairman said believed the footpath belonged to the owner of Bell Farm.	Chairman	
C	06/62	Permission to Erect Shed on Allotment	Having agreed to permission to erect a shed on the concrete base alongside the allotments this item is now complete.		
		Housing for Local People	The Chairman referred to the letter dated 2/10/06 from Alison Clamp of Peak District Rural Housing Association (PDRHA) concerning the possibility of providing affordable housing within Doveridge and the housing need survey which is to be carried out shortly within the parish by DDDC. Following discussion it was agreed that the Chairman, Vice Chairman and the Clerk meet Alison Clamp to discuss the matter in a little more detail.	Cllr Hewson-Stoate Cllr Watkins Clerk	
		Request for Increase for Mowing the Playing Field	The Clerk said he had been approached by Jeff Bullock asking for an increase for mowing the playing field from the £50 per calendar month to £60 per calendar month on the basis of the time taken and the fact that the amount had not increased since he took over the mowing. Cllrs thought that the suggested increase of 20% was high compared to inflation and the rise in income the Parish Council had received over the last two years. Cllr Watkins proposed an increase to £55 should be offered to Mr Bullock, this was seconded by Cllr Stubbs, all Cllrs present agreed. The Clerk was asked offer this amount to Mr Bullock.	Clerk	Cllr Watkins Cllr Stubbs
С	06/	Planning Applications 06/00648/FUL	Erection of 80 metre anemometer mast for a temporary period of 2 years – J C Bamford Excavator Ltd, JCB Southern Estate between Crakemarsh and Eaton		

		Dovedale	
	06/00683/FUL	Single storey rear extension – Mr DW Davies, 6 Oak Drive	
	06/00685/FUL	Single storey and two storey extensions to dwelling – Mr Shaw Kirkbright, Dove Villa, Doveridge	
	Permission Granted 06/00594/FUL	Erection of agricultural machinery storage building – Mr & Mrs DR Neal/Mattinson, Haven House Farm, Doveridge. (The Parish Council did not object to this application).	
	06/00603/FUL	Single storey front extensions & two storey side extension – Mr N Clucas, 32 Park Crescent. (The Parish Council did not object to this application provided the neighbours did not object).	
	Withdrawn Applications 06/00599/FUL	Demolition of bungalow & redevelopment with terrace of four dwellings – SG Stanton, 7 Alms Road. (The Parish council expressed concern about the intensive use of space and considered 2/3 houses would be preferable, also that parking and access would be a problem. Neither objection or no objection box was ticked)	
	CORRESPONDENCE		
C 06/	September	 a) ES News – East Staffordshire Newspaper. b) DDDC – 2006 Play Forums Leaflet. c) DCC – Insight Newspaper. d) DCC – Child Care Seat Checking Events 2006. e) Letter dated 11/9/06 from Unison, East Midlands – keep the NHS working in North Derbyshire. f) DCC – Poster Campaign reminding parents of need to apply for secondary school places. g) Fieldwork – Magazine from Campaign to Protect Rural England. h) Clerks and Councils Direct Magazine. i) DCC – The Health of Derbyshire Leaflet. j) Letter dated 19/9/06 from DCC – Young Achievers Awards 2006. k) Letter dated 22/9/06 from DDDC – Area Community Forums in Nov 2006. l) Quotation dated 22/9/06 from EstateCare re repair or replacement of post around village well. m) Letter dated 22/9/06 from EstateCare re 2 bay 6 seat swings regarding condition of phosphor bronze bushes. n) DCC – Fostering Campaign Poster. o) Natural Collection Catalogue from Campaign to Protect Rural England. p) DDDC – Dales Matters, News Pamphlet. q) DALC – Minutes of AGM on 9/9/06. 	

			r) DALC – Minutes of Annual Meeting of Executive Committee on 9/9/06.	
			s) DALC – Circular No 36/2006. Training Crash Course on the Planning System on 30/11/06.	
			t) DALC – Derbyshire Constabulary Annual Parish Councils Eve on 15/11/06.	
			u) DALC – General Circular – Employment Equality (Age) Regulations 2006.	
			v) Safer Derbyshire Dales – Notes of the Safer Derbyshire Dales Community Safety Panel held on 21/9/06.	
			w) DDDC – Cleaning Schedule 2006/7.	
			x) Letter dated 21/9/06 from Village Hall Committee re orientation of football pitch causing damage to village hall	
			y) Letter dated 2/10/06 from Peak District Rural Housing Association re survey of possible sites within Doveridge for Affordable Housing.	
			z) Quotation dated 4/10/06 from EstateCare for fencing repairs to Playing Field fence on Derby Road.	
	1	ACCOUNTS		
C (06/	Accounts for Approval	The following accounts were submitted for approval:	
			Min No Cheque No Made Payable to Amount Vat	Cllr Stubbs
			1248 SO Clerks Emolument £235.38 1249 1114 J Bullock £50.00	Cllr Jarville
			1250 1115 J Bullock £13.50	
			1251 1116 Village Hall Committee £8.00 1252 1117 L.T.S. £9.60	
			1253 1118 EstateCare £113.50 £19.86	
			1254 1119 A Povey & Sons £98.00 £9.28	
			Proposed by Cllr Stubbs & seconded by Cllr Jarville. All Cllrs present agreed	

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.56 pm.

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