

Balderton Parish Council

Minutes of the Amenities Committee meeting held in the Village Centre on Wednesday June 27th 2018 at 6.30pm.

PRESENT Councillors Allen, Mrs Brooks, Green, Mrs Hurst, Mrs Lee, Scott, and Ms White

with District Council Officer Mr Terry Bailey and Police Sgt. Paul Cash, one member of the public and the Clerk.

3046 **Committee Chairman**

One nomination was received for Cllr Mrs Brooks who was duly elected as Committee Chairman.

3047 **Committee Vice Chairman**

One nomination was received for Cllr Allen who was duly elected as Committee Vice Chairman.

3048 **Anti-Social Behaviour**

The meeting was closed to meet with District Council Officer Mr Terry Bailey and Police Sgt. Paul Cash who had been invited to the meeting to discuss concerns relating to escalating incidents of anti-social behaviour in the Coronation Street Playing Field and Lakeside areas. Sgt. Cash advised that patrols have been in place for the past couple of months and the CCTV camera near to Lidl which had only been working intermittently, is now up and running satisfactorily. Some Section 59 notices have been issued as a result of footage from the Parish Council's own CCTV system. Balderton is still without a designated Beat Manager but one will assigned very soon to work alongside the two P.C.S.O.s Ellie Smalley and Mike Munroe. Mr Bailey from the District Council's Community Safety Partnership Team advised that they work closely with the Police and there are a few individuals who are being monitored for possible Crime Behaviour Orders (previously referred to as Anti-Social Behaviour Orders). He also suggested that signs be installed advising that loud music and mopeds will not be tolerated on the playing field to help with enforcing issues. There are new fixed penalty enforcements that apply to inconsiderate and illegal parking on the public highway and the Council might consider inviting the District Council officer in charge of these issues to a meeting? Both officers emphasised the need for *all* incidents, however trivial they may seem, to be reported to the Police by phone or e-mail and asked the Council to consider promoting a campaign to encourage the public to do this.

They were thanked for their attendance and information. They left along with the member of public at approximately 7.15pm and the meeting re-opened.

3049 **Apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Major Mortimore, Mrs Newstead, Newstead and Watt, and Head Groundsman Mr Brown.

3050 **Declarations of Interest**

Cllrs Mrs Brooks and Mrs Hurst, as serving members of Newark & Sherwood District Council, declared a personal interest to any issue relating to the District Council. Cllr Mrs Hurst also declared a personal interest to minute reference 3053 - Bowls Club.

3051 **Public Participation**

There were no members of the public present.

3052 **Clerk/Chairman's Update**

A printed update of ongoing issues was circulated and noted; the update is published with the minutes. The following issue was discussed from the update:

1. **Re Minute 3044b Playing Field Private Gate Sign.** The unauthorised sign is still in place despite two letters being sent to the resident concerned. Members considered that it may be better to try and speak to the resident personally rather than by written correspondence.

3053 **Bowls Club**

Members considered a written request from the Balderton Bowls Club to site a metal shed in the immediate vicinity of the old cricket scoreboard building to help with increased storage requirements. This was agreed in principle subject to the exact site and size of the shed being approved.

3054 **Fishing Lease Rent**

The rent for the angling lease at the Lake was reviewed. The current price is £686.14 + VAT; this has not been increased since 2008 when it was subject to a minimal increase from £659.75 It was,

RECOMMENDED that the rent be set at £2,000 inclusive of VAT for the current season.

3055 **Correspondence and Information**

The following items of information/correspondence have been received and were noted:

- a) The local Fire Service plan to carry out a rescue training exercise on the Lake tomorrow evening involving a number of personnel and vehicles. Council permission has been granted for this.

- b) Notice that Main Street will be closed from the junction with Vicarage Gardens to Fen Lane from Monday September 10th to Monday October 15th 2018. The closure is to allow Severn Trent to carry out sewer project work.
- c) A series of several overnight road closure notifications for the Bullpit Road level crossing in July.
- d) A number of fishing platforms need maintenance work; special lengths of tanalised wood will need to be ordered but the work will be carried out in-house.
- e) A homeless man has been sleeping rough in the Cemetery; the local District Council housing team and a local charity are working with him to try and find suitable accommodation.
- f) The latest two editions of the Police Commissioners' newsletters.

3056 **Future Agenda Items**

Cllr Allen asked that the District Council officer who deals with the new Enforcement Issues relating to parking be invited to a future meeting.

Cllr Ms White asked that the issue of starting a campaign to promote reporting incidents to the police be included on the next F&GP agenda.

Cllr Green asked that the feasibility of installing CCTV cameras in the Cemetery be considered.

The meeting closed at approximately 7.45pm.