

Eastwood Town Council- Extra Ordinary Town Council Meeting
Monday 14 December 2009 at 7.00pm

Present: Cllr D Bagshaw, Cllr Mrs S Bagshaw, Cllr Hazel Charlesworth, Cllr R Charlesworth, Cllr R Dodge, Cllr T Fiddymont, Cllr J Forrest, Cllr B Griffin, Cllr K Longdon, Cllr Ms R Robb, Cllr C Robb, Cllr G Robb,

Also present Invited organisation representatives and residents of Eastwood.

073/10 **Opening Statement**

Cllr K Longdon welcomed everyone to the meeting on this sad occasion, and asked Cllr D Bagshaw to speak.

Cllr D Bagshaw announced that with great humility of the passing in the early hours of Saturday 12th December of Cllr J Kenny a local Councillor with a long and distinguished history of serving the Eastwood community at both Borough and Town Council level.

The funeral was to take place on Friday 18th December at 2pm at Our Lady of Good Counsel Hilltop Eastwood. For what Cllr J Kenny did for the community of Eastwood both as a Town and Borough Councillor, Cllr Bagshaw proposed an adjournment of the meeting after the presentation of Community Grants. This was seconded and unanimously approved by the meeting the deepest sympathy was given to Mrs Kenny and the family. There was then a one minute silence in respect to Cllr Jim Kenny.

Cllr B Charlesworth offered his condolences, recorded unreserved appreciation of all the work Cllr Kenny had done for the Community of Eastwood. He would be very sadly missed.

Cllr R Dodge seconded Cllr D Bagshaw's proposal.

Cllr J Kenny's son Ken Kenny thanked the Town Council on behalf of his whole family for showing the respects to his father. It was very much respected by the family. He invited everyone to the funeral. A resident commended the Kenny family for attending this meeting under such hardship.

The Town Clerk also offered his deepest sympathy and respects to the Kenny family on behalf of present and past staff at Eastwood Town Council.

074/10 **Presentation of grant cheques to community organisations**

Town clerk explained to the meeting that the presentation of community Cheques was an Eastwood Town Council Annual policy event. The purpose of this was to enable the people of Eastwood through the Town Council, to express the appreciation to all the organisations for their efforts for the enrichment of the Community. It was the Town Council's desire to acknowledge all your efforts and the work you do for the benefit of people of Eastwood.

Cllr k Longdon Mayor of Eastwood then presented cheques to the following organisations: -

Community Organisation	Presentation to
Eastwood & District Probus Club	Ron Smith
Eastwood Photographic Society	Reg Lowe
Eastwood St Mary's Wives Group	Sandra Talmey
Eastwood & Brinsley Women's Institute	Sandra Talmey
Greasley Miners Welfare Football Club	Andy Meakin
Eastwood Collieries Male Voice Choir	Lord Ferrabee
Eastwood Tennis Club	Christine Middleton
Eastwood Baptist Church 'Rascals'	Janice Berry
Eastwood Art Club	Julie Butcher
Eastwood & District Flying Club	David Oaks
Eastwood Town Cricket Club	Nick Elderkin
St Mary's Friendship Club	Sandra Talmey
Eastwood & District Ladies Probus Club	Maree Smith
Eastwood Historical Society	Peter Cheese
The Arts Group in Eastwood	Maureen Lowe
Cancer Research UK (Eastwood Branch)	Diane Gensler
Ist Greasley Scouts	Paul & Russ
Moorgreen Colts Football Club	
Age Concern	Norma Norman
Eastwood Volunteer Bureau	
Broxtowe Women's Project	Unable to attend cheque posted out
Eastwood Citizen's Advice	Unable to attend cheque posted out due to staff Christmas party

Cllr K Longdon then thanked everyone for their great efforts and adjourned the meeting at 8-09pm until Monday 21st December 2009.

 Minutes of the Extra Ordinary Town Council Meeting reconvened on Monday 21st December 2009 at 7-00pm at Town Council Offices.

Present: Cllr D Bagshaw, Cllr Mrs S Bagshaw, Cllr Hazel Charlesworth, Cllr R Charlesworth, Cllr R Dodge, Cllr T Fiddymont, Cllr J Forrest, Cllr B Griffin, Cllr K Longdon, Cllr Ms R Robb, Cllr C Robb, Cllr G Robb,

Also present eight residents.

Before the commencement of formal business Revd David Stevenson led opening prayers

075/10 **Apologies**

Cllr J Zalewski (working commitments)

Town Clerk announced that following the sad death of Cllr Jim Kenny a casual vacancy has occurred. The Council to **note** the vacancy and to **note** that the Town Clerk will now apply the statutory procedure. The meeting so **noted** this report.

076/10 **Declaration of interest**

No Declarations of Interest were made by attending Councillors in respect of items of business specified in the meeting's agenda.

077/10 **Notifications of lobbying**

No Declarations of Interest by Councillors in respect of items of business listed on the agenda.

078/10 **Minutes**

Cllr R Dodge reported that meeting dates were incorrect. They should be;

Town Council 23 November 2009
Policy and Finance 30 November 2009

Town Council -23 November 2009

Page 1- 071/10 Cllr Dodge pointed out that Cllr P Butler should be the Declaration of interest for Eastwood Probes, St Mary's Friendship Club.

Page 2- 072/10 073/10 End of paragraph 2 Change wording to: 'It was then proposed that the meeting be adjourned for five minutes because a councillor was upset and needed time to recover'.

Page 3- Cllr C Robb reported that an item had not been included in the minutes. The item missed off referred to Disclosure of information by members to the press before they had been disclosed to all the members of Eastwood Town Council. A small number of members were privy to certain information and released this before all members were informed.

- 071/10 Correction – Robert Kirk paid tribute to the 'proved 'maintenance of Cadets Cross

With the above amendments the minutes were adopted.

Policy and Finance Committee – 30 November 2009

Page 1 Cllr R Dodge pointed out he was the 3rd Member of Lib/Dem on sub committee. There had been a change of numbering at the October meeting and Cllr Dodge declared the three Lib/Dem Councillors. As a result to include Cllr R Dodge to be declared as a full member of Policy and Finance Committee.

Page 2 Cllr C Robb gave an update on item P34/10 A- Traffic Wardens Traffic Wardens visit Eastwood two or three times a week. Currently there is less parking tickets being issued than when scheme started, as local people are now aware that one is not able to park in Eastwood all day and that limited times are in operation

In addition Eastwood Police have been approached about parking on Victoria Street. Cllr Robb pointed out the parking problems at the junction of Victoria Street to Nottingham Road make it difficult and dangerous to access and regress. The police were prepared to ask the bank for permission to put up a notice asking customers **not** to park on Victoria Street outside the bank. At this time no other action will be taken by the police. Parking outside the bank is an obstruction and enforcement action should be carried out by the police.

Cllr D Bagshaw reported that P35/10 correction' Interactive' not Interpretative Speed Signs

Page 3 Cllr D Bagshaw asked Mayor for an update on where Interactive speed signs are to be located in Eastwood. Cllr K Longdon reported that traffic surveys are to be carried out on Mansfield Road, Church Street. And Chewton Street. A full traffic count will be implemented on Mansfield Road and automatic counts on Church Street and Chewton Street. Cllr Longdon reported that as there was an interactive sign going out of Brinsley there needs to be another going out of Eastwood. It is hoped the full speed survey will justify the need for an Interactive speed sign on Mansfield Road.

Cllr D Bagshaw asked if there was any criteria for speed cameras as these do slow down drivers. Cllr K Longdon reported that the matter had been discussed but with current financial restraints speed cameras are only placed at high accident locations.

Cllr B Griffin asked what actions will happen on Chewton Street. Cllr Longdon replied that automatic traffic counts will be carried out. There needs to be at least 400 cars per hour during peak times to qualify for Interactive Speed signs. Cllr B Griffin reported that a traffic survey had been carried out on a Sunday afternoon which was the quietest time of the week. Please can this be reported back to County Highways?

Cllr k Longdon then gave a further update on highway matters Road Markings on Newmansley Road. An order has gone off today 21 December 2009 to replace road markings at the junction of Newmansley Road/Brookhill Lees Road. Cllr B Griffin welcomed this and reported on two recent car accidents at this location. There is currently no give way sign. This is also required at this junction. Cllr P Butler supported this request.Cllr K Longdon to report back to County Highway requesting a Give Way sign at this location.

In addition a box sign is to be installed at the junction of Kelham Way/Mansfield Road on 11th/12th December. This has now been completed.

Book of Remembrance- Cllr D Bagshaw asked for an update on quotation for Glass Cabinet. Cllr K Longdon reported a quotation will be prepared as soon as possible.

Page 4 P39/10 Coronation Park. Cllr D Bagshaw asked Cllr B Griffin to give an ⁴

update on Bowling Facilities at Coronation Park. Cllr B Griffin reported that he had met Mr Tim Crawford Parks & Environment Manager Broxtowe Borough Council. In respect to the bowling green there has this year been increased maintenance carried out to the Bowling Green resulting in the best bowling season for many years. Broxtowe BC needs to be thanked for this.

There is however concern about the state of the Bowling Pavilion. The toilet and shower facilities are in urgent need of replacement and do not satisfy health standards. At a previous meeting when Broxtowe Borough Council had taken over running Coronation Park a promise had been made that these facilities would have been upgraded this year. This has not happened. As a result we need to obtain update information when the Pavilion Facilities will be upgraded. Need to know if there will be a full time Park Attendant next year in Coronation Park?

Cllr D Bagshaw asked Town Clerk Designate for an update on obtaining improved standards in Coronation Park. It was reported that a letter had been sent to Broxtowe Borough Council asking for a meeting to discuss the maintenance issues.

Update Cllr Longdon reported that at a Notts County Meeting last Thursday 17th December the building of the youth centre on former Sunnycroft site would be commencing shortly costing £2m with a completion date December 2010.

Cllr P Butler reported that the new Eastwood Primary school was to be built. The school will be called Springbank with a pedestrian entrance just down from Ivy Lane. And should be opened in April 2011.

With the above amendments the minutes were adopted.

Cllr T Fiddymont apologised for her late arrival due to baby-sit arrangements.

079/10 Changes to Committee Structures

Cllr D Bagshaw reported the following members to the following committees:

Policy & Finance

SPLIT 6, 4, 1 (Names to be submitted shortly)

Leisure and Maintenance

Split 6, 4

Cllr D Bagshaw wanted all members to be involved on this committee

Planning Sub Committee

2, 2 (Names to be submitted shortly)

080/10 Review of representations on outside organisations

Cllr D Bagshaw reported the following members to be representatives to the following organisations:

Age Concern

Cllr J Forrest

Arts Festival

Any available Councillor

Broxtowe Mediation Service

Cllr P Butler

Broxtowe Women's Project

Cllr G Robb, Cllr R Robb

Youth Homelessness Action Group

Cllr T Fiddymont

Cancer Research	Cllr S Bagshaw
Citizen Advice Group	Cllr P Butler
Churches Group	Cllr G Robb
Community Action Meetings	Any available Councillor
Eastwood Twinning Assoc.	Cllr D Bagshaw, Cllr S Bagshaw, Cllr R Dodge.
Eastwood People's Initiative	Cllr S Bagshaw
Eastwood Town Centre Management Group	Cllr C Robb, Cllr B Griffin
Eastwood Volunteer Group	Cllr G Robb, Cllr D Bagshaw

Cllr R Charlesworth asked if the appointed members to notify each organisation of their appointment. This was agreed by Chair.

081/10 Review of Councillors authorised to sign financial transactions

Cllr D Bagshaw proposed the following members be authorised to sign financial transactions

Payment Cheques - Cllr S Bagshaw, Cllr C Robb, Cllr P Butler, Cllr B Griffin
(Two Councillors need to sign the cheques) plus Town Clerk.

Authority to transfer funds- Cllr P Butler, Cllr C Robb, Cllr B Griffin
After a discussion Cllr D Bagshaw proposed that at least two Councillors to sign transfer funds authorisation plus The Town Clerk.

082/10 Sale and purchase of Council Offices

- Cllr D Bagshaw proposed the further investigations are required relating to the Covenant recorded in the Deeds to the Plumtre Way property. He therefore moved that authority be given to proceed with the sale of the Town Council Offices only at this stage. This was seconded.
- Cllr R Dodge on a point of order asked why the matter relating to the purchase of the property on Plumtre Way was removed from the draft agenda for this meeting.
- The Town Clerk replied stating this had been done following instruction from the Council Leader.
- Cllr Dodge then reminded the meeting that in accordance with nationally recommended procedures agenda items for the meeting are determined by the Council Clerk following consultation with the Chair (or Town Mayor) of the Council, not a Council Leader. This was **noted** by the meeting.
- Cllr R Charlesworth then proposed an amendment to Cllr D Bagshaw proposal and this amendment is recorded as an attachment to the first proposal.
- A vote was requested.
- In accordance with Standing Orders the amendment was put to the meeting and the following votes were recorded.

For the amendment

Cllr D Bagshaw
Cllr S Bagshaw
Cllr P Butler
Cllr B Griffin
Cllr C Robb
Cllr G Robb
Cllr R Robb

against the amendment

Cllr K Longdon
Cllr R Dodge
Cllr H Charlesworth
Cllr R Charlesworth
Cllr T Fiddymment
Cllr J Forrest

The amendment was therefore declared **LOST**.

- The original proposal by Cllr D Bagshaw was then put to the meeting and the following votes were recorded.

For the amendment

Cllr D Bagshaw
Cllr S Bagshaw
Cllr P Butler
Cllr B Griffin
Cllr C Robb
Cllr G Robb
Cllr R Robb

Against the amendment

Cllr K Longdon
Cllr R Dodge
Cllr H Charlesworth
Cllr R Charlesworth
Cllr T Fiddymment
Cllr J Forrest

The proposal was therefore declared **CARRIED**. This therefore authorises Subject to solicitor's advice, the Town Mayor and Town Clerk to sign the Sale Contract of the Town Council Offices to the Nottinghamshire Police Authority.

Cllr D Bagshaw asked Mayor to present the Book of Condolence to Mr Ken Kenny son of late Cllr J Kenny. This was accepted with grateful thanks.

Meeting ended at 8.21pm

There being no further business the Town Mayor thanked everyone for their contributions and closed the meeting.