

TUTBURY PARISH COUNCIL

(For the meeting on 15 September 2014)

A meeting of the Parish Council was held in the Charity Office, Duke Street, Tutbury on Monday 01 Sept 2014.

Those present were Cllrs F Crossley (chairman), P Faulks, Mrs S Adams, A Allen, T Spencer-Smith, G Wright, P Steadman, W Crossley; Cheryl Maxim and Michael Mchardy from ESBC. In attendance, Mr S Powell (Clerk).

841.0 APOLOGIES

- 1.1 Apologies were received from Cllr Ms M Guest.

85/2.0 CONSIDERATION OF ELM LANE TENDERS

- 2.1 Each of the three contractors that had submitted a tender for the clearance of the Elm Lane footpath had been met on site. The meetings were held to ensure that their interpretation of the specification for the work matched the council's expectations.
Trees to be removed and areas to be cleared were discussed and contractors asked if their original tender price held good. Of the ~~three~~ tenders, two prices remained the same and one contractor added an additional sum.
- 2.2 During the course of the site inspection it became apparent that a further clearance operation would be necessary in the spring.
- 2.3 It was proposed by Cllr W Crossley, seconded by Cllr Steadman that the council be minded to accept the lowest priced tender; this was agreed.
It was further agreed to arrange for clearance work in the spring to be carried out by a contractor to ensure all unwanted vegetation was either removed or treated. This would enable the 'Friends Group' with support, to thereafter tackle the control of vegetation along the lane and also facilitate the planting of replacement trees from a selection of native species.
- 2.4 Ms Maxim explained the bidding process to enable an application for funding to be made to ESBC.
- 2.5 The council agreed to pledge £750.00 towards the cost of the work to complement a potential donation from Western Power and a community footpath grant from the county council.
- 2.6 The above commitments were dependent on a successful bid to be made to ESBC for funds to undertake the project.

86/3.0 ESBC LICENSING APPLICATION

- 3.1 An invitation to comment on a licensing application submitted to ESBC had been received. Members had a number of reservations about the granting of the licence which were:
- Although some parts may not be applicable, the application form was incomplete including the important section on the fulfilment of borough council objectives.

- The premises were sited on a bend with limited parking which would adversely affect the access to an adjoining property, encourage illegal parking, creating hazards for pedestrians and vehicular traffic alike.
- The pavement outside the premises stepped down from the highway and a parishioner had fallen down here recently, causing an injury requiring hospital treatment. The unsafe nature of the steps and the lack of a barrier/handrail had been reported to the county council.
- It was noted that home deliveries were planned which would exacerbate the problem highlighted in 2 & 3 above by increasing vehicle movements, a situation not helped by the extensive early morning and late night opening hours 7 days a week; These combined issues suggested a scenario which was likely to give rise to a public nuisance.
- The Council was particularly concerned about the lack of a policy and procedures to prevent the sale of alcohol to minors. Underage drinking had been a problem in the village in the past
- Recent alterations to the premises had led to concerns expressed to the building control section of the borough council about the structural integrity of the building

3.2 The clerk was instructed to advise ESBC of the parish council's concerns.

87/4.0 ARRANGEMENTS FOR A MEETING WITH PEVERIL HOMES

- 4.1 Following a discussion with planning officer Mrs El Hakeim, it was agreed that ESBC facilitate a meeting with representatives of Peveril Homes to discuss the Burton Road facilities on one of three suggested dates in September/October. Confirmation of those members attending the meeting was to be when arrangements had been finalised.
- 4.2 An invitation to speak at an ESBC planning committee meeting had been received where the proposed solar farm off Lodge Hill would be determined. It was agreed for a parish representative to attend the meeting.
- 4.3 Notification of the submission of a planning application from ESBC had been received. The time period for a response expired before the next parish council meeting. Members were therefore asked for their comments of the application which were:

P/2014/01024 – Erection of a single storey rear extension and a single storey front extension, alterations to the roof to facilitate a loft conversion and erection of a detached garage to the front of the property at 31a Burton Street.

Comment: No objection in principle however, it was noted that garage would be sited at the front of the property in a prominent elevated position.

4.4 A number of issues related to the Cornmill Lane playing field were reported by members:

- Missing bollards around the perimeter of the car park
- Increased evidence of dog fouling
- Overgrown vegetation adjoining the changing rooms

These matters were to be referred to a future agenda.

The meeting closed at 8.45 pm

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