LINTON AREA MEETING

AGENDA AND REPORTS

THURSDAY, 6TH MAY 2004

Overseal Village Hall, Woodville Road, OVERSEAL

7.00 p.m.

SOUTH DERBYSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

LINTON AREA MEETING

(Covering Castle Gresley, Cauldwell, Coton-in-the-Elms, Drakelow, Linton, Lullington, Netherseal, Overseal, Rosliston and Walton-on-Trent)

Meeting to be held at Overseal Village Hall, Woodville Road, Overseal on Thursday, 6th May 2004 at 7.00 p.m.

(Light Refreshments will be available at 6.30 p.m.)

Members:

District Councillors:

Councillor Southern (Chair) and Councillors Mrs. Hall, Lauro and

Shaw.

County Councillor:

Councillor Mrs. Lauro (Vice-Chair).



BUSINESS

- 1. Apologies for absence.
- 2. To note the Minutes of the Meeting held on 3rd February 2004 (copy herewith).
- 3. Chair's Announcements (if any).
- 4. Report back on issues raised at the last Meeting.
- 5. Public Question time and suggestions for future local discussion items.
- 6. Date of Next Meeting.

LINTON AREA MEETING

3rd February 2004

PRESENT:-

District Council Representatives

Councillor Southern (Chair) and Councillors Mrs. Hall, Lauro and Shaw.

Mr. F. B. McArdle (Chief Executive), Mr. K. Stackhouse (Finance Services Manager), Mrs. D. Cook (Democratic Services Officer) and Mr. B. Jones (Helpdesk).

County Council Representative

Councillor Mrs. K.Lauro (Vice-Chair).

Parish Council/Meeting Representatives

R. Palmer (Linton Parish Council), S. Jackson (Castle Gresley Parish Council), P. Cherry (Coton-in-the-Elms Parish Council), J. Blythe (Linton Parish Council), D. Eaton (Cauldwell Parish Meeting), G. Edwards (Overseal Parish Council).

Members of the Public

G. Palmer, B. Ford, R. Ford, R. Wasley, J. Wasley, H. Kinson, T. Sloan (Burton Mail), S. Boddice, T. Morris.

Council for Voluntary Services

R. House.

Police Representative

Sgnt. A. Wright.

APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence from the Meeting were received from Mr. B., Matkin, P. Ellis (Linton Parish Council), Mr T. Fisher and Mr. Dolman (Drakelow).

LA/18. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 21st October 2003 were received.

LA/19. REPORT BACK ON ISSUES RAISED AT THE LAST MEETING

The Democratic Services Officer advised that arising from concerns that had been expressed at the previous Meeting by Drakelow residents who were not aware of the Linton Area Meeting, the District Council had sent a letter to every household in the Parish of Drakelow advising of the Meeting and inviting people to attend.

With regard to the speed of traffic and heavy goods vehicles using Rosliston Road South, Drakelow, County Councillor Mrs. Lauro advised that she and officers of the County Council had met with Mr. Dolman (a representative of Drakelow residents). Speed traps had been set accordingly and the results were being analysed by the police. With regard to the problem of HGV traffic

to the Village had been reported in the first instance. Sgnt. Wright agreed to pursue this matter with Inspector Skinner at Ripley Headquarters.

LA/20. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME AND SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE LOCAL DISCUSSION ITEMS

Mr. Wasley of Drakelow expressed concern regarding the noise emitted from the Bullivant site and in particular that the site had consent to operate 24 hours seven days a week. The Chair advised that an Environmental Health Officer had deemed the noise level to be acceptable but he had a meeting with the Director of Community Services on this matter planned. The Chair referred to a petition which Mr. Wasley had generated on this matter and asked that this be sent to him.

S. Jackson asked where Wilson Homes were taking the waste from the Castle Gresley site as she stated that the operators were not cleaning the wheels of the vehicles and problems with mud on the road in Castle Gresley were being experienced. It was agreed to pursue this matter and report back to Mrs. Jackson accordingly.

Mr. Wasley referred to there being two radio aerials in Drakelow for which he had never seen any planning application made. He asked whether such aerials had received planning permission and accordingly it was agreed to pursue this matter and respond directly to Mr. Wasley.

LA/21. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

It was reported that the next Linton Area Meeting would be held on Thursday, 6th May 2004 at Overseal Village Hall.

LA/22. CVS VOLUNTEERING

Mr. Richard House of the CVS was in attendance and gave a brief presentation on volunteering. He advised that the CVS were tasked with "getting out" into the community. In his role as Volunteer Co-ordinator, he endeavoured to find out what it was people could do on a voluntary basis and reported that current trends showed that people were giving less and less of their own time for such purposes. He advised that organisations often approached the CVS asking for assistance when volunteers were needed. He advised that the CVS was based at Grove Street in Swadlincote and was staffed by 5/6 in-house volunteers. He referred to a Befriending Scheme which was operated by the CVS which aimed to put volunteer befrienders in touch with lonely people in society. He also referred to the Social Car Scheme which involved drivers taking individuals to places such as Burton/Derby Hospitals. This service was unique in that the driver would stay with the person for the duration of the visit and a small charge was levied to use such a scheme. He also advised that the CVS operated a Christmas Dinner Scheme whereby individuals would make an extra Christmas dinner and take it to a person living alone and in need of such a He stated that the CVS also dealt with referrals and supplied volunteers to work in charity shops, furniture recycling projects, Leonard Cheshire and Ryder Cheshire Homes for example. Mr. House outlined the benefits of volunteering and stated that some volunteers gave 30 to 40 hours per week of their time and some volunteers gave 2 hours per month, all of which was essential and appreciated.

R.W. SOUTHERN

CHAIR

The Meeting terminated at 8.20 p.m.

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REPORT BACK ON ISSUES RAISED AT THE LAST MEETING

At the last meeting of this Committee held on 3rd February 2004 at the Coton-in-the-Elms Community Centre, a number of issues were raised. These issues are listed below, together with progress made to date:-

ISSUES	PROGRESS	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER
Weight limit sign/lighting for Drakelow Bridge.	Replacement sign pursued. Request for lighting passed to Community Safety Officer to include in a bid to DCC, should funding become available.	County Councillor Mrs. Lauro
Speeding on Rosliston Road South, Drakelow.	To be investigated to ascertain whether can be deemed a 'hot spot'.	Inspector S. Fairbrother Swadlincote Police
Inspector Fairbrother to be invited to attend next meeting.	Invitation sent. Sergeant A. Wright to attend (Inspector Fairbrother unable to).	Debbie Cook Democratic Services Officer (01283) 595709
Monitoring of two (out of four) remaining entrances to Coton-in-the-Elms regarding speeding problems being experienced.	Matter to be pursued with Inspector Skinner, Ripley Headquarters.	Inspector S. Fairbrother SwadIincote Police
5. Radio masts, Drakelow Query re: planning permission	Mr. Wasley contacted by Area Planning Officer regarding this matter to confirm both had planning consent.	A. Briggs Area Planning Officer (01283) 595744



AGENDA ITEM: 9

ENTERTAINING DAY FOR OUR PENSIONERS

Pensioners from throughout the district are invited to Liberation Day, which is this year being held on Thursday May 27th at Bretby Conference Centre from 10am to 4pm.

Organised by the South Derbyshire Crime & Disorder Partnership this is an all-day event with prize bingo provided by Mecca Bingo, a buffet lunch, performances by a youth theatre group, swing band, school choir and a dog obedience demonstration among the attractions. It is completely free of charge.

As well as the entertainment dozens of groups and organisations are setting up stalls for the day. These include:

- the Pension Service:
- the Library Service;
- Trading Standards;
- Citizens' Advice Bureau;
- Mobility Solutions;
- Cooking on a Budget;
- Dean & Smedley Ltd.
- Energy Efficiency;
- South Derbyshire District Council's Housing department
- Age Concern
- Reminiscence Readings.

Some of the exhibitors will have quiet areas available where visitors can discuss issues in private with them.

Every effort is being made to provide transport for people who would like to attend but who do not have a means of getting there themselves.

The day has been organised to help elderly and vulnerable people from throughout South Derbyshire see how they can stay safe and secure in their homes.

For further details about the event or to discuss transport requirements anyone interested should telephone the South Derbyshire Crime & Disorder team on 01283-595787.