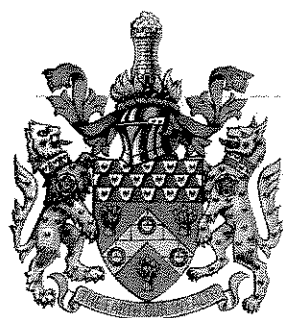


South Derbyshire Area Forum



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Wednesday
25th November 2009

Overseal Village Hall
Woodville Road
Overseal
7.00pm

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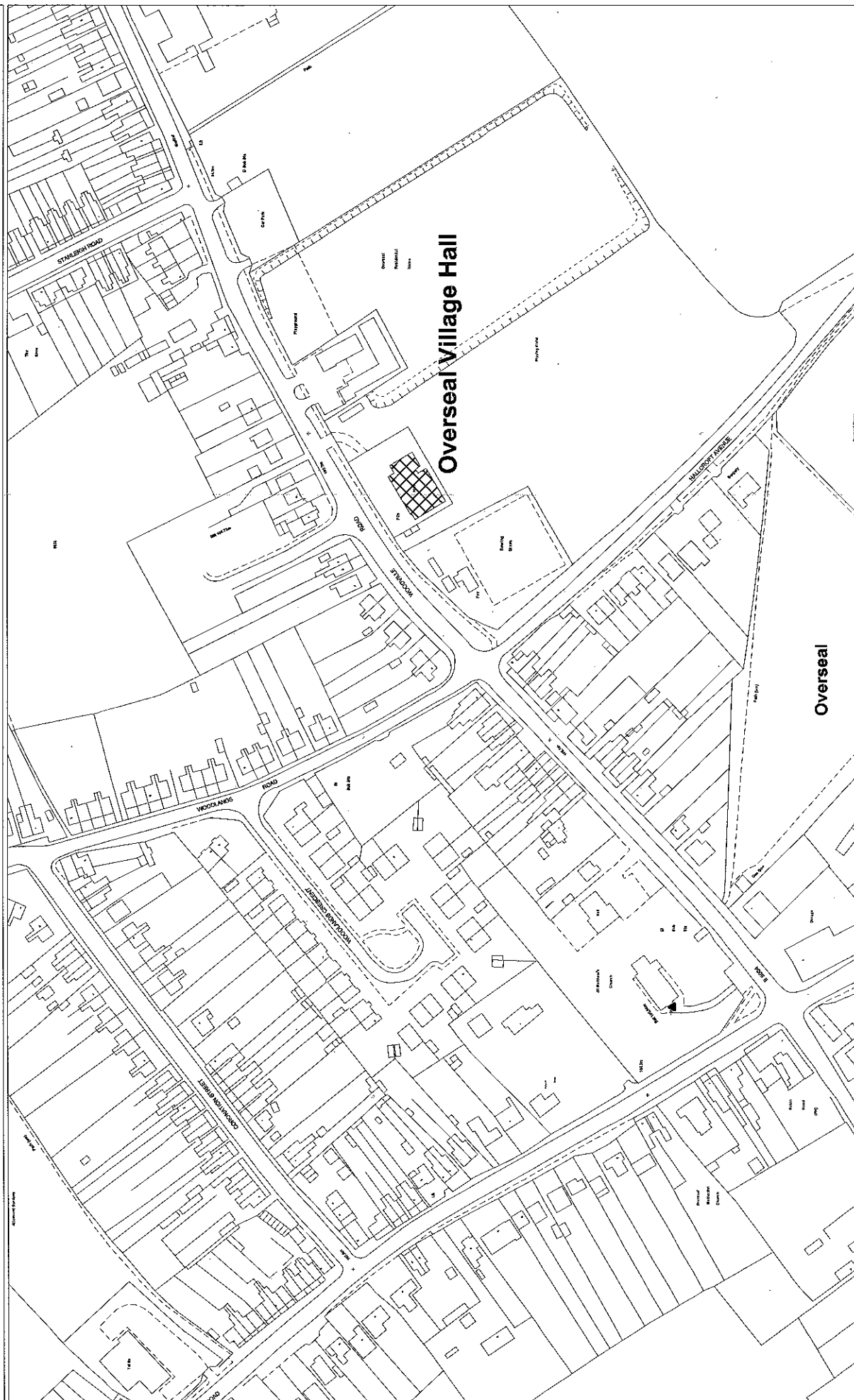
FORTHCOMING MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL

Repton Area Forum at 7.00 p.m. at Repton Village Hall	Monday, 16.11.09
Environmental & Development Services	Thursday 19.11.09
Development Control	Tuesday 24.11.09
Linton Area Forum at 7.00 p.m. at Overseal Village Hall	Wednesday, 25.11.09
Housing & Community Services	Thursday 26.11.09
Finance & Management	Thursday 3.12.09
Overview & Scrutiny	Wednesday 9.12.09
Development Control	Tuesday 15.12.09
Audit Sub (4.00 p.m.)	Wednesday 16.12.09

Unless otherwise stated, all meetings will be held at the Council's Civic Offices and will start at 6.00 p.m.

Title : LINTON AREA

Overseal Village Hall



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SOUTH DERBYSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

SOUTH DERBYSHIRE AREA FORUM LINTON

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

**Meeting to be held at
Overseal Village Hall,
Woodville Road, Overseal**

**on Wednesday 25th November 2009
at 7.00 p.m.**

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

Members:

District Councillors: Councillor Wheeler (Chairman) and Councillors Grant, Jones (Vice-Chairman) and Timms.

County Councillors: Councillors Jones (Vice-Chairman) and Lacey.

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BUSINESS

1. Apologies for absence.
2. Declarations of Interest.
3. Police issues.
4. Chairman's Announcements.
5. To note the Minutes of the Meeting held on 22nd July 2009 (copy attached).
6. Presentation by Bill Corbishley, Manager, Community Transport.
7. South Derbyshire Partnership; New Sustainable Community Strategy.
8. Report back on issues raised at the last Meeting.
9. Public questions on issues raised by residents.
10. County Council issues
11. District Council issues: Electoral Review of South Derbyshire by Boundary Committee for England
12. Dates of Future Meetings:

Monday, 1st February 2010 at Castle Gresley Children's Centre, Mount Pleasant Road, Castle Gresley
Monday, 15th March 2010 at Coton-in-the-Elms Community Centre, Elms Road, Coton-in-the-Elms

SOUTH DERBYSHIRE AREA FORUM

LINTON

22nd July 2009

PRESENT:-

District Council Representatives

Councillor Wheeler (Chairman) and Councillor Timms.

M. Alflat (Director of Community Services), P. White (Democratic Services and C. Lukaszewicz (Helpdesk).

Derbyshire County Council Representatives

Councillor Lacey.

P. Jameson (Local Area Forum Liaison Officer).

District Council and Derbyshire County Council Representative

Councillor Jones.

Derbyshire Constabulary

P.C. Trudi Bullick

Parish Council/Meeting Representatives

J. Pallet and C. Wright (Castle Gresley Parish Council), G. and R. Palmer (Linton Parish Council), W. Marbrow and L. Sullivan (Rosliston Parish Council), M. Horne and V. Taylor (Walton on Trent Parish Council).

Members of the Public

O. Pallet, L. Ramsay (South Derbyshire CVS) and W. Taylor.

LA/1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

It was noted that Councillor Wheeler had been appointed Chairman of the Linton Area Forum at the Annual Council Meeting.

LA/2. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence from the Meeting were received from M. Todd M.P., District Councillor Grant and S. Jackson (Castle Gresley Parish Council).

LA/3. APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

It was agreed that District and County Councillor Jones be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Linton Area Forum for the ensuing year.

LA/4. **POLICE ISSUES**

P.C. Bullick addressed the Meeting, giving an update on police issues. It was advised that she had recently taken over from P.C. Croxall as the local Area P.C. and had extensive knowledge of the area, due to her locality. It was advised that figures for reported crime were currently average as compared to the remainder of the County. Burglary figures had recently reduced by 90%, although it was stressed that the public should avoid leaving windows open during the hot weather, either whilst sleeping or whilst properties were vacant. Incidents of anti-social behaviour had also decreased by 7.8%, although it was noted that, due to the imminent school holidays, this figure could increase.

Reference was made to the “Restorative Justice” police policy where discretion was given to allow the police to deal with minor criminal/public order incidents in consultation with other agencies. Since early July 2009, 922 incidents had been dealt with under this new policy.

A local Ward Member raised the issue of increased litter from a take away premises in the Walton-on-Trent area, and it was agreed that this matter be discussed further with the District Council’s Director of Community Services following the Meeting.

Confirmation was sought of P.C. Bullick’s contact telephone number and working pattern, details of which were provided.

LA/5. **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Linton Area Forum held on 30th March 2009, were noted.

LA/6. **REPORT BACK ON ISSUES RAISED AT THE LAST MEETING**

A report had been circulated with the Agenda, which provided an update on the issues raised at the last Meeting.

With regard to parking restrictions outside Linton Primary School, Derbyshire County Council had advised that revocation of the waiting restrictions between Nos. 93 – 107 Main Street, Linton was soon to be proposed. In the interim, it had been arranged for the time plates to be removed from that section of the road, which would render the stretch unenforceable. The Enforcement Officers had been advised of this action. Consultation on the revocation of the waiting restrictions would commence in due course, although it took generally a minimum of 8 months for the process to be completed. Initial consultees would include the Parish Council, following which a Public Notice consultation would be undertaken with other interested parties including residents in the locality. The Chairman advised that the issue of parking outside Linton Primary School had been raised at the last Parish Council Meeting, following which the local PCSO and the District Council’s Enforcement Officer had agreed to investigate the matter further. With regard to the parking of a particular company’s vehicles on Hillside Road, Linton it was reported that the company had now secured new premises out of Linton and the former premises would be let to a new company.

In relation to concerns raised previously regarding the curtailing of conditions of pass holders using public transport, it was reported that the County Council's Public Transport Unit had confirmed that there were no plans to reduce the level of concessionary travel for South Derbyshire residents for 2009/10.

LA/7. **PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON ISSUES RAISED BY RESIDENTS**

Concern was raised regarding the potential impact of the proposed "Drakelow Park" residential development on the surrounding villages in respect of increased traffic movements. The Chairman advised that the County Council, as the Highways Authority, was aware of the issues and advised members of the public to inform Parish, District and County Council Members of their concerns. The District Council's Director of Community Services advised of the statutory consultees in respect of all planning applications.

The purpose of a traffic survey undertaken on Main Street, Walton-on-Trent was questioned. It was noted that this might have been undertaken by the developer. It was requested that a similar survey be undertaken on Station Lane, Walton-on-Trent (at the Bailey Bridge), during school term time, in view of concerns that the amount of traffic travelling over the bridge had increased significantly recently.

The Forum Liaison Officer agreed to investigate the request further and report back to the next Meeting.

Overgrown hedges were reported at the Flint Mill crossroads (travelling from Cauldwell Road, Linton to Drakelow), which were obstructing visibility resulting in road accidents, and at Sandy Lane, Cauldwell also obstructing visibility on dangerous bends. The Forum Liaison Officer advised of the County Council's maintenance programme and also suggested that there was a nesting period in which hedges could not be cut back. It could therefore be several weeks before the work could be undertaken. A local resident contested that the nesting period ended in mid-July.

The Forum Liaison Officer agreed to investigate both matters further and report back to the next Meeting.

The non-recycling of plastics by the District Council was questioned. The District Council's Director of Community Services advised that nearly 50% of the total waste collected in the District was recycled. Following investigation last year into the cost of collecting plastics, it was reported that this would cost over £650,000, which would incur a 12% increase on Council Tax bills. Due to the high expense, the District Council had agreed to collect compost as an alternative and had increased the rate from 30% to 50% in the last three years. The Chairman advised that the collection of plastic remained a priority at the top of Members' agendas and would be reconsidered should sufficient funds become available. Following further discussion concerning the collection of plastics, it was advised that plastic yoghurt pots could be collected from the recycling bins outside Sainsbury's. Since this was not well known in the local area, it was suggested that it should be publicised in the local press.

LA/8. **COUNTY COUNCIL ISSUES – CONSULTATION ON MINERALS AND WASTE PLANNING**

The Forum Liaison Officer reported that Derbyshire County Council and Derby City Council had jointly begun preparing new plans, setting out details of minerals and waste development over the next 20 years. A booklet outlining the proposals was circulated at the Meeting. The County Council was undertaking further consultation and had asked for residents' views on the content of the minerals and waste plans. Any person wishing to be consulted regularly could also be included in the list of consultees. Although residents could get involved at any stage, they were advised to register their interest early in the process. Contact details for residents to express their views or register interest were provided in the booklet.

The Chairman made reference to a potential waste transfer site at Drakelow Park and questioned whether this site would be included in the development plan. It was queried whether the Peak District National Park would be included as a consultee.

The Forum Liaison Officer agreed to investigate these matters further and report back to the next Meeting.

LA/9. **DISTRICT COUNCIL ISSUES – FEEDBACK ON VISION AND PRIORITIES**

The Director of Community Services advised that a booklet had been circulated entitled "Local Priorities Consultation – Summary of Key Findings". During 2008 and early 2009, the District Council had consulted key stakeholders on priorities for South Derbyshire. A wide range of consultation methods were used and the results had then formed two key documents – the Council's Corporate Plan and South Derbyshire's Sustainable Community Strategy. The booklet gave a summary of key findings following this consultation and residents were thanked for their feedback.

LA/10. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

It was reported that a provisional date of Wednesday, 11th November 2009 had been agreed for the next Linton Area Forum Meeting. This would be confirmed in due course.

R. WHEELER

CHAIRMAN

The Meeting terminated at 7.50 p.m.

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25th November 2009

REPORT BACK ON ISSUES RAISED AT THE LAST MEETING

At the last Linton Area Meeting held on 22nd July 2009, at Rosliston & Cauldwell Village Hall, Main Street, Rosliston the following issues were raised. The issues are listed below, together with progress made to date:-

Derbyshire County Council Issues

1. Following the request that a traffic survey be undertaken on Station Lane, Walton-on-Trent (at the Bailey Bridge), the County Council's Traffic and Safety Manager has now advised that there would be little benefit in any new survey being conducted in this vicinity. Traffic would be limited to cars and light vans due to the weight and width restrictions on the bridge itself. Using the bridge would not be a particularly attractive prospect for drivers due to the aforementioned restrictions and delays incurred through the traffic signals. As such, it is only people who really want or need to access the area who cross the bridge.

Traffic growth (long-term at least) occurs across the network as a whole; obviously, there can be short-term 'bursts' of growth in specific places, in association with land-use development. However, the general growth in traffic is an ongoing problem faced by society as a whole.

2. Requests were received for overgrown hedges to be cut back, due to obscuring of visibility, at Flint Mill crossroads (travelling from Cauldwell Road, Linton to Drakelow) and Sandy Lane, Cauldwell.

Flint Mill crossroads has been visited by a Highways Inspector and no visibility problems were identified. However, the location will be kept under observation.

Investigations at Sandy Lane, Cauldwell have confirmed that the overgrown hedges are situated off the adopted highway. The County Council has written to the landowner, requesting that the hedges be cut back and the public highway cleared of all associated debris as soon as possible. The situation will be monitored to ensure that the necessary works are carried out.

3. In considering the consultation on Minerals and Waste Planning, it was

requested whether a potential waste transfer site at Drakelow would be included in the development plan. The County Council's Principal Planner (Development Plans) has advised that part of this site (the former power station land) had been considered in the work on the now-abandoned Sites DPD (Development Plans Document). However, E-on, the Company that owns the land, had confirmed that it had no interest in a major waste development. It was also considered that a proposed new village with over 2,000 homes would not normally be an appropriate location for a major waste development.

4. Also arising from the Minerals and Waste Planning consultation, it was queried whether the Peak District National Park would be included as a consultee. The County Council's Principal Planner (Development Plans) has advised that the Peak Park has a separate planning authority and is preparing its own development plans. Councils can legally prepare joint plans. However, it would have been extremely difficult, logistically, to work jointly with the Peak Park, as their area extends beyond the Derbyshire border, across three other regions and several minerals and waste planning authorities.

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