

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EAST LEAKE PARISH COUNCIL HELD TUESDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> APRIL 2019 AT 7.30PM IN THE PARISH OFFICE**

**Present:** Cllrs, Jeff Jones, Marie Males, Conrad Oatey (Chair), Peter Rapley, Glennis Robinson, Kevin Shaw, Liz Taylor, Carys Thomas, John Thurman Lesley Way

The Clerk Neil Lambert, Deputy Clerk Sue Lewis and one member of the public were also present.

**18/141**            **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** Cllrs Donna Griggs, Ron Hetherington, Mel Roper Lesley Way and Andy Brown reasons given and accepted

**18/142**            **DECLARATION OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

None

**18/143**            **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1.            The Chairman thanked all councillors who have served for the last 4 years for their hard work and wished the prospective candidates standing in the election good luck.
2.            Permission requested to insert extra item on Agenda at 18/150 Permission to hold a Circus – Agreed
3.            The Annual Parish Meeting was deferred because of concerns over the forthcoming elections. The date has been re-arranged for the 7th May which will give the public chance to meet the new councillors. The Wishing Well part of the previous Agenda will be taken off and a meeting re-arranged to discuss ideas.

**18/144**            **TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES INCLUDING COUNTY COUNCIL AND BOROUGH COUNCIL**

Cllr Marie Males reported that the planning application for the Gotham British Legion for 8 houses had been turned down.

**18/145**            **TO APPROVE AS A TRUE RECORD THE MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 26<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2019 – PAGES 113-115**

Cllr Marie Males requested that item 18/133 Reports from Outside Bodies, bullet point 3 be changed from West Bridgford to Rushcliffe.

Subject to the above

**Proposed Cllr Marie Males  
Agreed Unanimously**

**Seconded Cllr Glennis Robinson**

**(b)            TO REPORT MATTERS ARISING THERE FROM NOT ON THE AGENDA  
– FOR INFORMATION ONLY - None**

**18/146**            **(a) TO RECEIVE REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMITTEES**

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**Proposed Cllr Carys Thomas  
Agreed Unanimously**

**Seconded Cllr Glennis Robinson**

**18/147                    TO RECEIVE THE REVIEW OF BUDGET TO 31.3.19, 4<sup>TH</sup> QUARTER**

The review of budget was taken as read and noted up to year end of 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019.

**18/148                    TO APPROVE THE NEW FORMAT OF THE CURRENT RISK POLICY WHICH APPLIED DURING 2018-19, AND NOTE THE NEW COUNCIL WILL BE INVITED TO REFRESH IN JUNE/JULY 2019 INSERTING ANY ADDITIONAL RISKS AS THEY SEE FIT**

It was agreed that the new format be approved.

**Proposed Cllr John Thurman  
Agreed Unanimously**

**Seconded Cllr Marie Males**

**18/149                    TO RECEIVE UPDATES ON A NUMBER OF MATTERS**

- 1      Planning approval received for new Sports Pavilion at Costock Road. Fundraising group to convene Thurs 25.4.19 at 7pm – SEE PAPER 7
- 2      Outdoor Gym ordered from Proludic, pre-start site meeting held 18<sup>th</sup> April 2019. Rushcliffe Borough Council considering whether S106 may be used. Provisional start date of 20<sup>th</sup> May.
- 3      Chairman, Councillor Oatey, has met with 2<sup>nd</sup> EL Guide leader to arrange Autumn planting of trees in Oldershaw Trust land at their request with donated saplings from Woodland Trust
- 4      Practical completion of Gotham Road Car Park extension and exit ramp opened. Final costs awaited from North Midland Construction, and adjustment from BT Open Reach. Fee request received from Jeff Jones

8.00pm Cllr Jeff Jones left the room.

**RESOLUTION**

That the invoice for £1710.00 from Cllr Jeff Jones for his fees on this project be paid.

**Proposed Cllr Conrad Oatey  
Agreed Unanimously**

**Seconded Cllr Glennis Robinson**

8.02pm Cllr Jeff Jones re-joined the meeting.

- 5      Notts County Council Highways declined request for double-yellow lines adjacent to exit to improve visibility
- 6      Opportunity to link pavement near new car park exit with playground with a new path (not tarmac) being explored
- 7      Playground “rubber mulch” ground-surface deteriorated further. Quotation for removal and replacement with foundation base beneath, then soft surface requested from alternative contractor. Rushcliffe Borough Council to be requested to consider whether S106 may be used
- 8      Proposed becoming member of Country Landowners Association at £227 per annum as most cost effective way of obtaining legal advice regarding land without known owner, such as Sheep Plank Lane
- 9      Notts CC Village Centre re-design options appraisal – will hopefully be received by the end May.

- 10 Investment funding for economic growth of East Leake
- 11 Any early comments on the organisation of the recent “Meet Your Village”, and Annual Parish Meeting events? Outcomes to be considered by new Council

**18/150 TO RECEIVE “INFORMATION ONLY” UPDATES ON A NUMBER OF MATTERS**

- 1 Front door to Parish Office closure repaired and new keypad for intruder alarm fitted
- 2 Rushcliffe Borough Council verbally agreed changes requested in new SLA for Meadow Park, to commence May 2019, with annual fixed fee of £7,500 to 2029
- 3 Refurbishment of Paths in Meadow Park – Notts CC decision awaited re LIS Fund
- 4 Memorial Board received – to be installed in Pinfold
- 5 Kenway to remove kerbs in Gotham Road Car Park (former recycling bin area) and make good to pavement
- 6 Amenities meeting in June to consider request for re-laying uneven crazy-paved path in Church Yard with tarmac – quote received from Kenway
- 7 Communications re-established with Skate Park contractor – defects period under negotiation and further payment to be decided. Rushcliffe Borough Council to make part-payment of Capital Grant subsidy to ELPC and agree formal opening arrangements
- 8 Quotation accepted from Streetwise for Graffiti removal from Skate Park. Is painting an option – quote to be sought.

**18/150a TO RECEIVE REQUEST FROM TYANNA CIRCUS**

Due to a cancellation a request has been received from Tyanna Circus to hold an event on the playing fields over the weekend of 3<sup>rd</sup> May - Agreed

**18/151 TO RECEIVE REPORT FROM MEETING TO DISCUSS FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES**

Cllrs Oatey, Thomas and the Clerk met with Peter Linfield and Catherine Evans of the Growth Board to discuss opportunities for obtaining funding to move forward projects in East Leake, in particular the village centre redevelopment and possibilities for the Costock Road Playing Fields site. As the village centre plans have not come back from NCC the meeting concentrated on Costock Road. Attention to the Home Farm House site which remains unsold in a prime village centre location was also drawn.

At the Costock Road site, options for separate small business units or using the top floor initially as shared office space for businesses, perhaps partitioning it were discussed, as was the possibility of a residential flat on site for a manager, caretaker, or steward.

The first step would be to produce a feasibility study/business plan which could include:

- Developing an overarching integrated strategy for all the leisure/sports spaces in the village
- Looking at the impact of the new facility on existing facilities (Leisure Centre, Village Hall, Golf Club etc)
- How to engage the community
- Maximising use of the pitches
- New sporting options for the aging population – e.g. walking football
- Assessing level of demand for business/industrial units
- Finding an “anchor tenant” to work with on business development
- Risk levels – likely profit/loss from the leisure/sports and business sides
- Financial/funding plan – i.e. would residents be willing to pay more council tax to fund it
- Contracting a third party to run the facility (e.g Mitie who run the Leisure Centre)

- Engaging other bodies, e.g. Sport England, “Champions” in Costock

ELPC asked for help with this and it was suggested that a letter be sent to the Strategic Growth Board (in July) asking for funding for a consultant to produce feasibility study and business plan.

**Recommendation:** This should be brought back for a decision by the new Parish Council whether to proceed with such a request to Rushcliffe Strategic Growth Board.

**18/152**                    **TO RECEIVE UP TO DATE VERBAL REPORTS FROM SUB-COMMITTEES, WORKING PARTIES & PORTFOLIO HOLDERS**

No reports

**18/153**                    **TO APPROVE CHEQUES, BANK TRANSFERS, DIRECT DEBIT & BILL PAYMENTS, AND SALARIES FOR APRIL 2019 – PAPER TABLED**

**Proposed Cllr Glennis Robinson                    Seconded Cllr Marie Males**  
**Agreed Unanimously**

**18/154**                    **TO REPORT CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED SINCE THE LAST MEETING – FOR INFORMATION ONLY**

1. PC Kelly Carlisle – Crime Figures for March – Noted.
2. Came & Company – Notification that Gallagher are taking over from Stackhouse Poland – Noted.
3. Rushcliffe Borough Council, Vacancy for Independent Parish/Town Council Member of Standards Committee – Noted.
4. NALC – Training for New Councillors - Noted

**18/155**                    **QUESTIONS TO CHAIRMAN (IN ACCORDANCE WITH S.O.1U.)**

None

**18/156**                    **CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS – PERSONNEL PLANNING**

It was resolved that the public be excluded from the Meeting for consideration of the above item of business pursuant to Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted (see page 120a)