

**Minutes of the meeting of EAST LEAKE PARISH COUNCIL held on 23<sup>RD</sup> July 2019 at 7.30 p.m. in the Parish Office**

**Present:** Cllrs Jenny de Villiers, Sara Budzik, Lynn Forsyth, Donna Griggs, Lindsey Maggs, Chris Mulligan, Conrad Oatey, Eleanor Robinson, Peter Rapley, Mel Roper, Len Simmons, Liz Taylor, Carys Thomas, Lesley Way

The Clerk Neil Lambert and Deputy Clerk Sue Lewis were also present.

**19/30**            **Apologies for Absence:** Cllr Kevin Shaw reason given and approved.

**19/31**            **Declaration Of Interest In Items On The Agenda**

None

**19/32**            **Chairman's Announcements**

None

**19/33**            **To Receive Reports from Outside Bodies Including County Council and Borough Council**

Cllr Andy Brown has sent his apologies but the Chairman can report that a variety of roadworks are commencing over the next couple of weeks including Lantern Lane/Bunny Lane which will have temporary traffic lights during the week and complete closure at the weekends.

Cllr Brown was asked prior to the meeting if he could acquire the background report and notes on the re-designing of the t-junction, as they had not been shared with the Growth Board who originally commissioned the report.

Cllr Carys Thomas reported on the following meetings she had attended

**Cabinet meeting 9 July**

- The Growth Board frequency for East Leake is to be reduced to 2 meetings a year – we spoke against this to no avail.

**Council meeting 11 July**

- Public speaking at council and cabinet is to continue
- Motion about reviewing assets (property portfolio), debate about financial value v community value
- Motion asking about energy efficiency standards for house building

**Scrutiny Training July 17<sup>th</sup> attended by all of us.**

- Scrutiny is the process (like Government Select Committees) that holds cabinet to account on its decisions. Cllr Shaw absent tonight because he is

on the Governance Scrutiny Group that covers budgets, audit etc. Cllr Way is on the Development and Growth Scrutiny Group

### **Planning meeting 18 July (4 hours)**

- 187 homes in Keyworth approved. There will be some bungalows because a % is stated in their Neighbourhood Plan.
- Mixed commercial and residential site on Wilford Lane (200+ homes) was turned down
- Canal boats for holiday lets and café seating in Hicking Basin turned down. Residents have been lobbying members of the planning committee by email.

Meeting with Kath Marriot 18 July – Cllr Thomas was invited as “Independent Group Leader” as Kath Marriot starts her new role as Chief Executive. We talked through the East Leake planning issues and residents’ frustration.

12 July Cllr Thomas attended AGM of East Midlands Councils. Interesting presentation by Abellio who are taking over the East Midlands rail franchise imminently. Met local and national leaders of groups of Independent councillors.

Cllr Lesley Way reported

- Homes England Seminar – There is infrastructure funding available if there is a clear impact of lack of resources.
- Growth Board - £25,000 had been allocated to Bingham for a new car park who do not want it so the money has gone back into the pot.
- £1000 has been allocated to East Leake for Workshops for traders and businesses but this has not been spent.
- Reassurance was given that a new school will be built in East Leake.
- No money for T-junction improvements
- Master Plan?
- Shop front grants – there has only been 1 successful application from East Leake – it was agreed that we ask Catherine Evans, Rushcliffe Borough Council, Growth Board to write to all the landlords to bring their attention to this grant.

**19/34** (a) **To Approve As A True Record The *Attached Minutes Of The Parish Council Meeting Held 25<sup>th</sup> June 2019 – Pages 14-18***

Item 19/19.1 bullet point 8 add to the end of the bullet point ‘bus stop and elderly care homes’.

Subject to the above

**Proposed Cllr Len Simmons  
Agreed Unanimously**

**Seconded Cllr Mel Roper**

- (b) To report any matters arising not on the agenda – for information only –

None

**19/35      To Receive Reports and Recommendations of Committees**

**Planning Committee, 25 June 19 – pages 19-21**

**Proposed Cllr Donna Griggs      Seconded Cllr Lesley Way  
Agreed Unanimously**

**Management Committee 9 July 19 – pages 22-23**

**Proposed Cllr Conrad Oatey      Seconded Cllr Len Simmons  
Agreed Unanimously**

**Planning Committee 16 July 19 – pages 24-25**

**Proposed Cllr Donna Griggs      Seconded Cllr Jenny de Villiers  
Agreed Unanimously**

**Amenities Committee 16 July 19 – pages 26-27**

Add Cllrs Lynn Forsyth and Chris Mulligan to those present.

Subject to the above

**Proposed Cllr Mel Roper      Seconded Cllr Liz Taylor  
Agreed Unanimously**

AME/19/13 Oldershaw Trust Land

**Resolution**

That the Oldershaw Trust Land changes from a playground to a woodland and that the football goals are removed.

**Proposed Cllr Mel Roper      Seconded Cllr Sara Budzik  
Agreed Unanimously**

**19/36      To Consider Summary of Priorities For Future Action Plans –  
*Attached – And Agree Next Steps***

The Chairman requested that whichever we take forward councillors needs to take responsibility for it and liaise with the Clerk/Deputy Clerk

It was generally agreed that items 3, 4 and 5 should move forward.

The Village Centre Working Party to reconvene with Cllrs Donna Griggs, Jenny de Villiers, Lesley Way and the Clerk. Ideally we need to say what we want and invite a member from the Growth Board. We need to have a vision on how we want the village to look in 20 years' time. It was agreed to ask to involve the Community Action Group.

Costock Road Car Park – Cllr Conrad Oatey is happy to co-ordinate this project but it is not yet decided if we do the car park in various stages or we go the whole hog and tarmac it.

Surgeries – Cllr Lynn Forsyth to co-ordinate with Deputy Clerk as there are various folders of information that needs updating. It was agreed to invite our two county Councillors to the Surgeries.

Oldershaw Trust Land – Cllr Conrad Oatey happy to talk to Guide Leader and Cllr Len Simmons will take forward and report back to Amenities.

Water Tap/Drinking Fountain – already in hand.

Parish Office Technology – Cllr Len Simmons following a meeting with the Clerk will bring back a proposal to Management

Councillors were requested to make a start on the above and if making progress we can then move on to the other items on the list.

**19/37**            **To Consider Response to Rates Demand for Gotham Road Car Park – attached**

The Clerk reported that the letter summarises the position.

Following a discussion it was agreed that we write to Rushcliffe Borough Council as the land owner stating that as they operate and pay the rates for the car parks over the Borough could they not give us a grant to cover the rates or at least a portion of it.

Cllr Eleanor Robinson also agreed to do some investigation in to how they calculated the rateable value.

**19/38**            **To Note Statement Re Meadow Park Mowing – Circulated 15.7.19**

The statement is self-explanatory.

**19/39**            **To Receive Verbal Reports from Sub-committees, Working Parties, Coordinators and Portfolio holders**

**Cllr Jenny de Villiers – Parish Forum 3.7.19 – *attached*** – The Forum was enjoyable and very useful. Could the Parish consider holding information meetings with local Parish Councils – Clerk to investigate.

Cllr Liz Taylor – East Leake Playing Fields Charity – 15.7.19.

3 Cllrs attended training 17.7.19 –Very good and informative.

**19/40**            **To Approve Bill Payments, Bank Transfers, Direct Debits, Cheques and Salaries for July 2019 – Details Attached**

Two additional payments plus a receipt  
Add – Abacus Playgrounds Ltd £3,188 + VAT – surface repairs  
Captcha – Parish Council Photograph - £90.00  
Received – HMRC VAT claim £11,018.49

**Proposed Cllr Conrad Oatey      Seconded Cllr Len Simmons**  
**Agreed Unanimously**

**19/41**            **To Approve Change of Bank To Unity Trust Bank From HSBC to Obtain “Dual Authorisation” Of Electronic Payments, Required By Auditor– Details Attached**

Following the recommendation from the Internal Auditor it was agreed to change our banking arrangement to Unity Bank

**19/42**            **To Report Progress on Organising an Outdoor Evening Market**

The Chair reported that he and Cllr Sarah Budzik had attended a Working Party meeting with the Traders who are looking at a monthly ‘Twi-light’ market, there are a lot of logistic issues such as where to hold it and insurance to overcome. It may be feasible for them to set up as a Charity to avoid the monthly cost of the market. The group may come to the Parish Council for help and are looking to start in March.

**19/43**            **To Report Correspondence Received since the Last Meeting – For Information Only**

1.            NALC – Notification of AGM, 21<sup>st</sup> November 2019 – Noted
2.            Email from resident on Meeting House Close re: Parking – to be an Agenda Item at next meeting.
3.            Positive Homes – requesting a meeting with Planning Committee - Agreed

**19/44**            **Questions to Chairman (in accordance with Standing Order 1u)**

None

21.10pm The Clerk left the meeting.

**19/45**            **CONFIDENTIAL ITEM – Project Management proposal for Costock Road Sports Pavilion, including report from Fundraising meeting 17<sup>th</sup> July 2019**

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 a)

The meeting closed at 21.26pm

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