

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF EAST LEAKE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE EAST LEAKE PARISH COUNCIL OFFICES ON TUESDAY 26TH OCTOBER 2021 AT 7.30 PM

Present: Cllrs Kevin Shaw (Chair), Sara Budzik, Lynn Forsyth, Chris Garbett, Donna Griggs, Eleanor Robinson, Mel Roper, Liz Taylor, Carys Thomas, Wendy Thompson and Lesley Way

Also present: Sue Lewis (Clerk)

21/63 Apologies for Absence: Cllrs Nick McGowan, Chris Mulligan, Terry Rountree and County Councillor Matt Barney – reasons given and approved.

21/64 Declaration of Interest in Items on the Agenda:

None

21/65 Chairman's Announcements:

1. Ideas and dates requested for the Annual Christmas Dinner.
2. Finlay Horn has now finished his year of litter picking around the village, as part of his Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award and we wish him well.
3. Budget Planning – Any Councillors who wish projects to be considered for the budget next year please let the Clerk know asap.

21/66 To Receive Reports from Outside Bodies including County and Borough Councils:

In the absence of Cllr Matt Barney, Cllr Donna Griggs reported she had received an update from him on Lantern Lane:

- S278 plans relating to the works at Lantern Lane/Gotham Road, East Leake (which included raised tarmac plateaus). As you will be aware, this work is currently underway and so we have unfortunately missed any opportunity to incorporate a crossing.
- The traffic survey hasn't yet taken place to support the case for a pedestrian crossing. It is however booked in for just after half term.
- Still waiting for further clarification on what has been agreed in the past regarding S106 crossings etc and if this money been utilised or can it be put towards a new crossing should the traffic/footfall data demonstrate its now valid? Cllr Barney has chased this.

Cllr Carys Thomas:

- Requested Scrutiny Group look at Solar Farms and Ownership of Public Spaces.
- Planning application or Temp School will be considered by RBC in November and NCC in December.

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To Approve as a True Record Minutes of the following meetings:

- **Parish Council Meeting 28th September 2021– pages 52-56**
Any matters arising for information only: None

Proposed: Cllr Kevin Shaw
Agreed unanimously

Seconded: Cllr Eleanor Robinson

- **Planning Committee 28th September 2021 – pages 57-58**

Proposed: Cllr Liz Taylor
Agreed unanimously

Seconded: Cllr Wendy Thompson

- **Special Council Meeting 12th October 2021 – pages 59-60**

Proposed: Cllr Kevin Shaw
Agreed unanimously

Seconded: Cllr Donna Griggs

- **Personnel and Finance Committee 12th October 2021 – pages 61-62**

Proposed: Cllr Donna Griggs
Agreed unanimously

Seconded: Cllr Sara Budzik

- **Planning Committee, 19th October 2021 – Pages 63-64**

Proposed: Cllr Liz Taylor
Agreed unanimously

Seconded: Cllr Eleanor Robinson

- **Amenities Committee 19th October 2021 – pages 65-67**

Proposed: Cllr Eleanor Robinson
Agreed unanimously

Seconded: Cllr Liz Taylor

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To Receive Updates on:

Costock Road Pavilion Development: - The Project Manager still working on the final contract, we have had to pay £2.5k for a survey which is required to confirm all is ok to start digging out the foundations that expense is part of the contract, and we will claim off the Football Foundation for it. Hoping to start work mid-November and finish June

Proposed Costock Road Car Park: - Still have not received planning permission due to the Environment Agency.

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To Discuss Next Stage of Local Government Boundary Review for Rushcliffe:

The Chair referred to the report previously circulated and it was agreed to make the following comment – “The Parish Council welcomes the recommendations for this area and would not like to see it changed in the next round”.

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To Discuss Arrangements for Remembrance Sunday 14th November:

The Clerk reported that there will be a service at St Mary's Church this year but no parade. A temporary road closure has been agreed therefore volunteers are required to stand at each road closure point.

Junction of Gotham Road – Cllrs Chris Garbett & Mel Roper
Station Road – Cllrs Liz Taylor & Donna Griggs
Manor Farm Meadow – Ally Moore
First Aider – Cllr Lynn Forsyth

All marshals to meet at the Parish Office at 10.30.

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**To Discuss St Peter in the Rushes becoming a National Significance –
report by Cllr Carys Thomas:**

Cllr Carys Thomas reported that following her attendance at the Cemex Meeting and then reviewing the plans for the site she noted a Nottinghamshire County Council archaeologist has commented that the site of St Peter in the Rushes should probably be regarded as being of national significance and is going to be an island surrounded by a landscape which has changed and continues to change immensely from when the church was first dedicated. The Church has very early origins, given the nature of the archaeology which we continue to investigate as the quarry progresses, and almost certainly reflects the Christianisation of an earlier, pagan, Anglo-Saxon landscape. We have evidence from the excavations that the extensive areas of Pagan burials would have been marked by burial mounds, stone grave markers, and possibly other monuments. The addition of the Church to this extensive ritual landscape would have been transformative. The Church site is now completely overgrown and the buildings remains and grave markers are in a poor and deteriorating state. It would be of considerable public benefit if the site could be maintained and enhanced and the Church itself would be the perfect place to interpret the adjacent excavated archaeological remains, which in themselves are of at least regional significance.

Following a discussion, it was agreed that the Parish Council write to Cemex and Nottinghamshire County Council expressing an interest in any project they may take on and Cllr Chris Garbett will contact the Local History Society.

Proposed: Cllr Cary Thomas
Agreed Unanimously

Seconded: Cllr Kevin Shaw

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**To Receive and Discuss Offers of Funding from the Growth Board –
attached:**

The Clerk referred members to the previously circulated papers from the Growth Board regarding funding.

Following a discussion, it was agreed that the funding for a town centre workshop be taken and the Clerk to contact RBC to confirm.

Funding for a report from a commercial agent on development opportunities – it was agreed more clarification was needed on this funding.

21/73 **To Agree Co-option of a new Councillor:**

The clerk issued voting forms for the three candidates and a confidential vote was taken.

It was unanimously agreed that Jason Billin be co-opted on the Parish Council and invited to the next Full Council Meeting where he will sign the Declaration of Acceptance Form.

21/74 **To Receive Verbal Reports from Sub-committees, Working Parties, Coordinators and Portfolio holders:**

Cemex Liaison Group Meeting – notes previously circulated, Cllr Sara Budzik volunteered to attend the next meeting in March 2022.

Saturday Surgery – Cllr Lynn Forsyth asked if the Parish Council were comfortable in starting the surgeries up in the New Year – Agreed to add to next agenda for discussion.

Toilets Rota – It was agreed to reinstate the opening of the public toilets on a Sunday and Cllr Liz Taylor agreed to send round a rota to all councillors with keys.

Christmas Tree Lights Switch On – Saturday 27th November 4.30pm – 5.00pm. Volunteers required to switch the large trees on at the appropriate times and to close the roads.

21/75 **To Approve Bill Payments, Bank Transfers, Direct Debits, Cheques and Salaries for October 2021:**

The Clerk requested two items be added:

Proludic - £76.99 – Part for stepper (outdoor gym)
Affordable Trees Services - £900.00 – Various tree works

Proposed: Cllr Kevin Shaw
Agreed Unanimously

Seconded: Cllr Mel Roper

21/76 **To Report Correspondence Received – for information only:**

1. Cllr Matt Barney – Update on Lantern Lane
2. Cllr Matt Barney – Double Yellow Lines, Costock Road – Noted
3. NCC/VIA – Temporary Road Closure Notices for Remembrance Sunday 14th November.
4. NCC/VIA – Temporary Road Closure Notice for Christmas Tree Lights Switch On Saturday 27th November.
5. Leanne Calderwood, Breast Screening Services – Request to site mobile screening van on Health Centre Car Park commencing January 2022 – Agreed
6. NCC/VIA – Proposed Parking Restrictions – Brookside, Main Street – Agenda item on next Planning Meeting.

7. Copy of Email sent to Catherine Evans, RBC from Blake Francis, Head of East Leake Academy re Fair on Gotham Recreation – Agenda item at next Full Council Meeting.

21/77 **Questions to Chairman (in accordance with Standing Order 1u):**

There were no questions.

The meeting closed at 8.45pm

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