

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF EAST LEAKE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE EAST LEAKE PARISH COUNCIL OFFICES ON TUESDAY 26TH JULY 2022 AT 7.30PM

Present: Cllr Kevin Shaw (Chair), Cllr Liz Taylor, Cllr Donna Griggs, Cllr Carys Thomas, Cllr Lesley Way, Cllr Mel Roper, Cllr Chris Garbett, and Cllr Nick McGowan.

Also present: Sue Lewis (Clerk), Ally Moore (Assistant Clerk) and Cllr Matt Barney.

22/018 Apologies for Absence:

Cllr Sara Budzik, Cllr Wendy Thompson, Cllr Jason Billin, Cllr Lynne Twigg, Cllr Eleanor Robinson, and Cllr Lynn Forsyth – reasons given and accepted.

22/019 Declaration of Interest in Items on the Agenda

None

22/020 To Receive Reports from Outside Bodies including County and Borough Councils

Cllr Carys Thomas spoke briefly about the Rushcliffe Borough Council's Planning Committee meeting on Thursday July 28 to discuss the application from Nottingham Forest on its plans for amendments to the City Ground.

Cllr Lesley Way reported she would be attending the Growth Scrutiny on Wednesday to discuss conservation areas and would report back on whether there was anything the Parish Council can get involved in.

19.33pm – Cllr Nick McGowan joined the meeting.

19.35pm – Cllr Matt Barney joined the meeting.

Cllr Matt Barney:

Apologised for not being at last meeting and thanked the Clerk for circulating the message he forwarded on via Facebook regarding the dangers of swimming in locks at Zouch and Kegworth.

Reported on how fulfilling he is finding his new role within the Adult Social Care portfolio within Nottinghamshire County Council

Remedial works at crossroads in Sutton Bonington are going to take place including new road markings, painting kerbs white, and improved signage.

Gotham Parish Council have had the first-refusal opportunity to buy 55 acres of woodland on Strawberry Hill and Cllr Barney hopes that other parishes will be supportive.

Had a meeting this week with the head of estates at Nottinghamshire County Council regarding the cycle way and about the possibility of the tram services in East Leake.

Spoke about the split opinions regarding mowing / not mowing. Nottinghamshire County Council have agreed that next year, they are not going to cut the steep bank on Castle Hill and the other on Bley Avenue for the whole season. Signage will be required for the area informing residents of this.

Regarding the future Gotham Road resurfacing, Cllr Barney is insisting to Nottinghamshire County Council that the resurfacing is carried out up to the junction of Carlton Crescent. Pavement width to be increased to make more accessible for wheelchair users.

Kirk Ley Road – section 106 money will be spent on putting a pavement on left hand side of the road. The cost for the pavement to run the full stretch of the road may be more than the section 106 money, so the council have been asked to price it up so that we know how much shortfall there is.

Expressed how pleased he was about the change of use of the vacant caretaker's bungalow to become teaching accommodation at Brookside Primary School.

Regarding the garages on Bley Avenue, Metropolitan Borough Council has been out and are going to come back to us with what their future intentions are for the garages.

22/021 To Approve as a True Record Minutes of the following meetings: -

- **Parish Council Meeting 28th June – pages 12-16**

Proposed: Cllr Kevin Shaw
Agreed unanimously

Seconded: Cllr Liz Taylor

Any matters arising for information only: Clerk reported Ruth Edwards will be coming to the next meeting. Councillors should submit any questions they wish to ask Ruth to the Clerk beforehand.

- **Planning Committee 28th June pages 17-18**

Proposed: Cllr Liz Taylor
Agreed unanimously

Seconded: Cllr Kevin Shaw

- **Planning Committee 12th July – page 19**

Proposed: Cllr Liz Taylor
Agreed unanimously

Seconded: Cllr Donna Griggs

- **Personnel and Finance Committee 12th July – pages 20-21**

Proposed: Cllr Donna Griggs
Agreed unanimously

Seconded: Cllr Kevin Shaw

- **Amenities Committee, 19th July - pages 22-23**

Proposed: Cllr Liz Taylor
Agreed unanimously

Seconded: Cllr Mel Roper

22/017 - To consider request from the East Leake Market Team to move future markets on to the Gotham Road Car Park/Pavements around the Village

RESOLUTION:

That East Leake Market use the Gotham Road Car Park instead of the Gotham Road Playing Fields from August onwards.

Proposed: Cllr Liz Taylor
Agreed unanimously

Seconded: Cllr Mel Roper

22/022 To Consider Response to the Public Consultation – Various Roads in Sheepwash Way Area – Proposed Parking Restrictions and No Stopping on School Keep Clear Markings

Following a discussion, it was agreed to respond to the consultation saying that the Parish Council welcome the much-needed plans and hope to see them expedited as quickly as possible.

The Parish Council will respectfully request review of the roundabout review safety of that roundabout and whether signage will mitigate the issue.

Question to be raised regarding the 20mph advisory speed limit and if it extends to the roundabout (and, if not, could it be). Also, ask whether the black chevrons on the roundabout could be reviewed as believe these comprise visibility.

22/023 To Consider Potential Impact on East Leake of the Public Space Protection Order Adopted by Rushcliffe Borough Council on 7th July 2022

It was suggested that evidence of dog-related nuisances, especially around playgrounds, in the village be gathered and presented to Rushcliffe Borough Council for their next review in 3 years' time.

It was agreed that Clerk and Assistant Clerk will put a sign together, detailing new rules, and run this past Rushcliffe Borough Council and dog warden for approval.

20/024 To Consider the 'Make Notts Safe Community Chest fund of up to £5000 available to community groups'

Clerk reported that the link to the application website was no longer working, and Cllr Matt Barney confirmed that applications are now closed.

20/025 To Consider reply from Severn Trent with regard to the Pumping Station

Cllr Chris Garbett reported that he has been corresponding with Fisher German who are acting for Severn Trent, and we need a full, formal valuation carried out on the site.

RESOLUTION: That Cllr Chris Garbett be permitted to go back to Severn Trent and start negotiations with Fisher German to see if they will pay for a district valuer's valuation.

Proposed: Cllr Carys Thomas
Agreed unanimously

Seconded: Cllr Donna Griggs

20/026 To Discuss and Agree Proposal from the Climate Change Working Party to seek permission to talk to both NCC and RBC on a variety of local environmental issues - to gather information - including “No Mow” and grassland/verge management, road speed limits within the village, night-time street lighting and public access / rights of way.

It was agreed to grant permission to the Climate Change Working Party to talk to both NCC and RBC on a variety of local environmental issues, on the proviso that they feedback to the full council with their findings on a regular basis.

22/027 To Receive Updates on:

Costock Road Pavilion Development

Clerk confirmed that we have received notification that the section 106 money for the rabbit farm will be granted.

Chairman reported that the contractors still hoping to finish by mid-August. Provisional idea is that the sports grounds, bar, kitchen, and club rooms will start to be used at this time although chances are it won't all be fully operational until late September / early October.

Official opening ceremony will likely take place at the beginning of October.

Proposed Costock Road Car Park

Chair reported that the quotes that we've had in response to tender documents were significantly more expensive than expected.

It was agreed for Jeff Jones to go back and try to reduce tender documents.

20.50pm – Cllr Matt Barney left the meeting.

Climate Change Working Party

No further updates.

Tour of Britain Working Party

Clerk reported we put out a plea for bikes and received 5 or 6 in response which will be painted green once we receive confirmation of colour from Rushcliffe Borough Council. Assistant Clerk reported that we will be holding a workshop in the Village Hall on the morning of 17th August to give children the opportunity to come and decorate a flag or bunting. Next meeting will be held on Monday 8th August at 11am.

Gotham Road Play Working Party – to seek more volunteers

Cllr Nick McGowan volunteered to join the working party. Assistant Clerk to obtain 3 quotes from manufacturers for parent/child swings.

22/028 To Receive Verbal Reports from Sub-committees, Working Parties, Coordinators and Portfolio holders

There were no reports.

22/029 To Approve Bill Payments, Bank Transfers, Direct Debits, Cheques and Salaries for July 2022

The list of bill payments previously circulated was approved.

Additional items since list was circulated:

BACS: £11.40 (Amazon – number stamp)
BACS: £3.00 (Amazon – Tippex)
BACS: £8.99 (Amazon – flags for Tour of Britain)

Receipt: £22,386 (The Football Foundation - grant)

Proposed: Cllr Donna Griggs Seconded: Cllr Liz Taylor
Agreed unanimously

22/030 To Report Correspondence Received – for information only

1. Lynne Sharp (NHS) acknowledging our confirmation that we do not wish to move into the new Health Centre hub.
2. Thank you card from resident for the floral displays around the village and the tree lights at Christmas.

22/031 Questions to Chairman (in accordance with Standing Order 1u)

There were no questions.

Meeting closed at: 21.05