**Minutes of the Meeting of Eakring Parish Council**

**Held in the Cator Hall, Eakring**

**At 7.30pm on Wednesday 12th April 2023**

**Present**

Councillor Cllr R Ford (in the Chair)

Councillors, R Brown, J Pennicott, T White, and S Foster.

**Also, Present:** Sian Bacon (Clerk), Cllr Scott (NCC), 3 members of R.A.G.E., and 10 members of the public.

40/23 **Apologies of Absence**

Cllrs G Reay and S Foster sent their apologies (Illness and holiday).

41/23 **Variation of Order of Business**

None

42/23 **Declarations of Interest**

None

43/23 **Public Participation**

There were no

44/23 **Representative from R.A.G.E.**

Three members of Rage gave an update on the plans for the Bilsthorpe incinerator. In 2017 a planning application for an incinerator at Bilsthorpe was approved but the building didn’t go ahead however the land still has planning approved. Now there is to be a new application for the incinerator with the company expected to be putting in an application shortly. RAGE is not sure of the application detail as of yet and residents cannot do anything until the application is submitted. It was noted that the incinerator will increase lorries in the area adding approximately 265 hgv lorries. It was noted that this is not going to be a waste to energy incinerator and there are concerns about the impact on health with studies showing particles up to 10 miles away at other sites. This distance would affect Eakring there are also wildlife concerns. Studies have also shown that Hgvs cause 17% more fatalities on roads and cause road maintenance costing up to £40 million. It was also noted that the Incinerator may have an impact on local businesses. It was noted that people can only object on planning grounds. RAGE are putting together newsletters and facebook for communication with residents and once the planning application is submitted they will build a counter argument against the incinerator for submission to planning. RAGE want to write a template objection letter based on fact and post them out so all objections submitted will be based on facts. They are currently looking for experts for reports.

It was reported that the home builders next door to the site are not happy with the development though they should have been aware when the put in their own application. Centre Parks are also not getting involved as they don’t want a media connection to the incinerator. Strawson’s are being approached and have been supportive in the past. RAGE have looked at recycling and studies show recycling goes down when incinerators are built in an area. It was also noted that Nottinghamshire has got more incinerators than waste in the area so another incinerator is not needed. It was noted that the incinerator will probably create 40 jobs but it is unlikely that these will go to locals as they will be specialist jobs.

RAGE will put together a template for objections and issue it once the application is submitted.

45/23 **Report from Police and/or County/District Councillors**

**Cllr Carlton (NCC)**

Cllr Carlton gave the following update:

In regards to the A614 Ollerton roundabout works it was noted that the Deerdale junction cannot carry capacity for the incinerator lorries and the planned works on the junction are not moving forward at present as part of the A614 works. The White Post junction is to be done with the roundabout first and the plans for road improvements still come way under the capacity required for the incinerator lorries. Cllr Carlton is willing to speak against the incinerator and noted that it is not clear where the fuel from the incinerator is coming from and that it is counterproductive to be bringing it in via lorries particularly in the midst of an environmental crisis. He also noted that the counties program of forestry being replaced doesn’t then stack up with an incinerator being installed.

Cllr Carlton reported that Eakring Lane in front of Grid has been looked at by Highways and they have agreed to spend £250K to resurface that area. Cllr Carlton is now just waiting for a timetable for the works. Highways are also looking at bringing in a different process for pot hole filling that is better.

On the issue of glass collecting nothing has been agreed with ROB yet and Cllr Carlton will push using ROB to residents.

46/23 **Minutes**It was agreed to approve these at the next meeting

47/23 **Matters Arising**

 All matters arising were on the agenda.

48/23 **To Determine if any items are to be moved into Confidential Session.**

None

49/23 **Planning Applications**

1. **Bilsthorpe Incinerator Plans**

Cllr Brown will attend the meetings when the application comes in.

1. **Comments to be submitted to the District Council on the following applications.**

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| **No** | **Application Number and Website Link** | **Description and Details** | **Applicant** | **Comments** |
|  | **23/00442/HOUSE**[**https://publicaccess.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=RRB8D8LBHLX00**](https://publicaccess.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=RRB8D8LBHLX00) | **Loft conversion including dormer window. Side and rear extension. New detached garage and associated landscaping, cladding, replacement windows and roof.** | **Fairhaven Tenters Lane Eakring NG22 0DQ** | **No objection** |
|  | **23/00425/HOUSE**[**https://publicaccess.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=RR5TXZLBHJZ00**](https://publicaccess.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=RR5TXZLBHJZ00) | **Increase height of existing brick piers. Replacement gate and posts** | **Magnolia Cottage Kirklington Road Eakring NG22 0DA** | **No objection** |

50/23 **Finance**

1. The Council considered the schedule of payments to be made.

It was unanimously **RESOLVED**, after proposal by Cllr Foster, seconded by Cllr White,

1. That the schedule of bill payments detailed below be approved



1. It was RESOLVED to use Brian Wood as the internal auditor for the 2022/23 accounts.
2. Income – there was no income reported
3. It was unanimously **RESOLVED** that the Bank Reconciliation for April 2023 be approved.
4. It was unanimously **RESOLVED** that the Budget monitoring for April 2023 be approved.
5. It was unanimously **RESOLVED** that the Bank Reconciliation for the Cator Hall for April 2023 be approved.
6. It was unanimously **RESOLVED** that the Budget monitoring for the Cator Hall for April 2023 be approved.

51/23 **Chair’s Announcements**
None

52/23 **Cator Hall**

1. **Update on Bookings**

Cllr Brown reported that there were no bookings as the work on the kitchen is in progress.

It was reported that the key box has been put up.

1. **Invoicing**

The Clerk will retrieve the 2022 diary from Cllr Brown and invoice anyone who had not been invoiced yet.

1. **Kitchen**It was reported that there have been snags which have been raised with the company:

It was agreed to organise a meeting with the installer/ supplier.

The issues are the pipe leak and the Fridge is not working. It was agreed to bring in a plumber in if not fixed by the company quickly and then bill the company for the works.

1. **Authorisation of funds for items requiring repair or replacement**

The damaged tap will be repaired by Cllr Ford and it was **RESOLVED** to allow expenditure up to £100 for the repairs needed.

1. **Hall Cleaning**

It was agreed to speak to the cleaner regarding the suggested hours. It was noted that the hall needs an initial deep clean.

1. **Fire Drill and Policies**

Cllr Brown reported that he tests the alarm weekly and fills in the log book.

Cllr Ford will assist with the fire risk assessment.

The signage will be installed.

53/23 **Parish Council Plan**

**Mompesson’s Cross**

Cllr Pennicott reported that the area was tidy and there was no litter.

**Community Orchard**

Cllr Ford reported that the new pear tree was now planted.

**Community Speedwatch**

The initiative will be placed in the Echo again to find volunteers to move forward.

54/23 **Events**

**Spring Litter Pick**

The litter pick will be held on the 29th April at 10am gathering at the Cator Hall. Cllr Brown will advertise the pick on Facebook.

**Kings Coronation**

It was agreed by the group the village will be having a Sunday picnic followed by a church service. The volunteers will meet at 1pm on Saturday to sort out the set up. It was noted that the bunting needs to go up on the Friday and Cllr Ford will coordinate this.

55/23 **Roads & Footpaths**

It was noted that the Eakring Lane resurfacing update is good.

56/23 **Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies and Working Parties**

**Playing Field Committee:** Cllr Ford reported thatworks are due to start for phase 2. It was noted that the area is being used regularly which is good.

57/23 **Correspondence/Information**

The Clerk reported that she had received correspondence from a resident on the issue of speeding in the village. The Clerk has responded to this letter and updated the resident on the planned Speedwatch initiative.

59/23 **Date of the Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be an Ordinary Meeting held on Wednesday 10th May 2023 after the Annual Parish Meeting and Annual Parish Council Meeting beginning at 7.30pm in the Cator Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.40PM