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

**Held in the Cator Hall, Eakring**

**At 7.30pm on Wednesday 9th February 2022**

**Present**

Councillor Cllr R Ford (in the Chair)

Councillors, R Brown, A White, G Reay and J Pennicott.

**Also, Present:** Sian Bacon (Clerk) and 5 Parishioners

01/22 **Apologies of Absence**

Cllr Sweeney and Cllr S Carlton (NCC) gave their apologies.

02/22 **Variation of Order of Business**

None

03/22 **Declarations of Interest**

Cllr Ford declared an interest in agenda Item 15 the Playing Field as a committee member.

04/22 **Public Participation**

A member of the public raised the following issues:

1. A query around whether there could be the erection of two bus shelters in the village one near triumph road and one at national grid. It was found that the buses are seldom used and sites for the shelters were not readily available so this was found to be non-viable.
2. A query around whether there could be the erection of a toilet on the playing field. It was thought this was also not viable.
3. List of postcodes on noticeboard.
4. Charnwood it was noted, is to be developed into Sternhill Paddock extension. The representative from Sternhill paddock noted that the building will be soundproofed and extensive work done to building to help noise.
5. The Spring Litter Pick was raised and to be discussed in its agenda item.
6. It was noted that the hedges on Kirklington Road are still overgrown and are forcing people to walk on the road to get past. The Clerk will report these.
7. The footpath on Bilsthorpe Road from Wellow Road running past the Saville Arms in the direction of the A614 is slippy with leaves and dangerous. This will be reported.
8. Kirklington Lane into Eakring Lane junction the road surface is severely damaged and requires repair. This will be raised with Cllr Carlton (NCC)
9. The Clerk will chase the list given by a resident at the last meeting.
10. The Mill Lane dyke requires clearing but is unadopted road so it may be the responsibility of the land holders.

05/22 **Report from Police and/or County/District Councillors**

No reports given

06/22 **Minutes**It was **RESOLVED** after proposal by Cllr White, seconded by Cllr Brown, and agreed unanimously that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 8th December 2021 be accepted. Charity sale was on the 27th November not the 4th November. This was amended. They were then signed by the Chair as a true record. They will be placed on the website.

07/22 **To Determine if any items are to be moved into Confidential Session.**

None

08/22 **Planning Applications**

There were no planning applications to be discussed.

Note to be placed in the Echo reminding residents that the village is a conservation area and trees require a TPO planning application before can be removed.

09/22 **Finance**

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

It was unanimously **RESOLVED**, after proposal by Cllr Reay, seconded by Cllr Pennicott,

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



1. Income - £1.19 interest.
2. It was unanimously **RESOLVED** that the Bank Reconciliation for February 2022 be approved.
3. It was unanimously **RESOLVED** that the Budget monitoring for February 2022 be approved.
4. It was unanimously **RESOLVED** that the Bank Reconciliation for the Cator Hall for February 2022 be approved.

10/22 **Chair’s Announcements**Heritage walks – The Councillors were asked to consider a heritage walk map of walks around the area. This will be put on next month’s agenda.

11/22 **Cator Hall**

1. **Update**

Cllr Brown reported that the bookings are slow at the moment with a small number of bookings in for the next few months. The Clerk will chase the kitchen company for an installation date.

1. **Security Light Quotes**

Cllr Brown has received a quote of £516.00 from SCE Ltd for improved and new security lighting around the hall. Cllr Reay has received another quote for £850 + vat. The Clerk will look for a final quote.

1. **Action Plan**

Sunrise have confirmed the door installation date as March.

Cllr Ford will get quotes for the internal fire doors that were shown to be required as part of the fire assessment that Firecrest performed.

Further items highlighted by Firecrest’s action plan are:

1. Fire alarm system – The Clerk will source quotes for the next meeting.
2. Fire drills, evacuation plan and policy – The Clerk will put these together with Cllr Brown
3. The emergency lighting needs servicing and more lighting installing.
4. The pat test and fire extinguishers check has now been done,
5. The wiring needs inspection which Cllr Brown will organise.
6. The noticeboard needs covering or removing in the outer hall.
7. The back gate requires unlocking when event on in hall.

12/22 **Parish Council Plan**

**Mompesson’s Cross**

Cllr Pennicott reported that he will paint the seat soon. The path is ok and doesn’t require

strimming at the moment.

**Welcome to Eakring Signs**

Cllr Ford has suggested that logo on chairman’s chain be used on the sign. It was agreed that this was the best choice for design.

**Community Orchard**

Nothing to report.

**Spring Litter Pick**

It was agreed the litter pick would be done on Saturday 5th March 2022 at 10am. This will be advertised. Cllr Ford will get the rubble bags.

13/22 **Jubilee Celebrations 2022**

Cllr Ford reported that the committee had met to discuss the celebrations with Friday as a children’s day with scarecrows, mug decoration, fancy dress. a bake off in the Saville arms in the evening. Church Lane Road Closure for a street party. The Clerk will do the road closure and tens application. Songs of praise on Sunday at 6pm at the church.

It was resolved to purchase a Jubilee flag at £26.99 + VAT and up to £30 for bunting. The Clerk will source this.

14/22 **Parish Clerk’s and Councillor’s update of matters in hand**

**Flooding Issues with Drains and Gullies, Highways and Verges:** No flooding issues at the moment. All other issues raised in the public participation section.

**War Memorial**: Cllr Ford gave a report. It was agreed that the lady will be allowed to alter the monument if she would like to do so but will need to organise permission as the monument is listed and organise the works.

15/22 **Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies and Working Parties**

**Playing Field Committee:** Cllr Ford reported that planning has been awarded for the lighting and a contractor has been spoken to. Western power is being paid for the electrical connection. The lighting supplier will do the work once connection is in place and price has been agreed. Connection cost will be recouped from Sport England. Various grants have been applied for.

16/22 **Correspondence/Information**

The Clerk reported that the following correspondence had been received: -

* NottsALC- Training through Breakthrough communications. I was agreed to put a training budget on agenda.
* A resident request to put a picture rail up in the hall. This request was approved.
* NCC – School admissions arrangements consultation.
* Clerk at Kneesall, Kersall & Ompton Parish Council – Querying whether any residents would be interested in a Boules club that is being set up in Kneesall. Cllr Ford will advertise this.
* NottsALC – personal safety webinars.

17/22 **Dates of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be an Ordinary Meeting held on Wednesday 9th March 2022 beginning at 7.30pm in the Cator Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.44 pm