

Minutes of the Meeting of Eakring Parish Council

Held in the Cator Hall, Eakring

At 7.30pm on Wednesday 10th June 2020

Present Via Zoom

Councillor R Ford (in the Chair)

Councillors, K Meanley, E Shacklock, R Brown and J Pennicott

Also, Present: Sian Bacon (Clerk), Cllr J Peck (NCC) & 3 Parishioners.

56/20 **Apologies of Absence**

Cllr A White, and Cllr J Sweeney (Personal) & Cllr T Smith (NSDC)

57/20 **Variation of Order of Business**

None

58/20 **Declarations of Interest**

Cllr Ford declared an interest in agenda Item 15.2 the Playing Field as a committee member. Cllr Meanley declared an interest in planning application 20/00879/FUL Land North of Cherry View as it was her property.

59/20 **Public Participation**

A resident raised the issue of dog mess around the village and that though it had seemed better during lockdown when the dyke at Mompesson's Cross was cleared out there was an awful lot of rubbish and 15 or 16 bags of dog mess. Cllr Peck (NCC) noted that the presence of the bag meant that it was littering and therefore an offence though it is difficult to prove who was doing it. Cllr Ford will put a notice in the Eakring Echo to remind people not to leave their dog mess bags and that to do so is illegal.

60/20 **Report from Police and/or County/District Councillors**

Cllr Peck (NCC) reported that the County Council was currently concentrating on their statutory duties such as social care including, care homes, vulnerable people, meals on wheels and the children the Council has in care.

Highways are currently doing emergency work such as structural maintenance and other projects are on hold until the lockdown ends so that essential and emergency work gets done.

Cllr Peck agreed to report all issues raised by the parish council but noted that things may take longer under the current circumstances.

It was reported that all recycling centres across the County are now open. Schools are open for reception, year 1 and year 6 children and that now the Government has moved away from all children returning it is likely that all other years will return in September at most schools. Key workers and the vulnerable are still attending school as they have all the way through the lockdown. It is hoped that the libraries will be opened by July.

Cllr Ford noted that he was very impressed with the results of his walk round with Cllr Peck and how everything had been done and requested that Cllr Peck report:

- The hedge on the left-hand side of Kirklington Road between Rose Cottage and the village which is very overgrown.
- 2 drains between Wellow Road and the Saville Arms opposite Eakring Farms on the right-hand side.

Cllr Peck agreed to report everything.

61/20 Minutes

It was **RESOLVED** after proposal by Cllr Pennicott, seconded by Cllr Brown and agreed unanimously that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on 6th May 2020 be accepted. They were then signed by the Chair as a true record. They will be placed on the website.

62/20 To Determine if any items are to be moved into Confidential Session

None

63/20 Planning Applications

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

No	Application Number and Website Link	Description and Details	Applicant	Comments
1.	20/00729/FUL https://publicaccess.n Newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTa	Proposed single storey two bedroom Agricultural Workers Dwelling	Field Reference Number 8024 Wellow Road Eakring Nottinghamshire	No Objections

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2.	20/00879/FUL https://publicaccess.n Newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=QB3GARLBHJ000	Proposed Erection of Single Storey Dwelling and Garage	Land North Of Cherry View Bilsthorpe Road Eakring NG22 0DG	No Objections

64/20 **Finance**

A) The Council considered the schedule of payments to be made.

Cheque requests for June 2020				
Chq number	Supplier	Description	Budget Item	Total £
590	Sian Bacon	Clerk's Wages	Clerk's Salary	497.76
				497.76

It was unanimously **RESOLVED**, after proposal by Cllr Brown, seconded by Cllr Pennicott,
(1) That the schedule of bill payments detailed below be approved

- B) It was unanimously **RESOLVED**, after proposal by Cllr Brown, seconded by Cllr Meanley, that the Bank Reconciliation for June 2020 be accepted.
- C) It was unanimously **RESOLVED** after proposal by Cllr Brown, seconded by Cllr Pennicott, to appoint Mr M Beaumont as the Internal Auditor for the 2019/2020 Accounts.

65/20 **Update on the Coronavirus Situation**

Cllr Ford reported that he was not aware of many current changes and that he was very impressed with the pumpkin and sunflower growing initiatives that had been set up by a resident for the village to join in with. He noted that the village had done very well this far and the residents had been very sensible.

66/20 **Chair's Announcements**

- Hedges – Cllr Ford noted that there were some issues with overgrown hedges but that these may have to wait until nesting was over. He also reported that some residents had

received a rude letter from the District Council regarding streetlighting columns being kept clear.

- Eakring Smile – Cllr Ford reported that this was carrying on for now and that photos were being received and published on the website and facebook page.
- Fire risks – it was noted that lanterns and types of BBQs were a fire hazard at this time of year and should not be used on Council property.

67/20 Parish Council Plan

Mompesson's Cross

Cllr Pennicott reported that he had visited the Cross the previous day and it looked as though the seat and inside railings may need painting however his may have to be left for now given that social distancing may be an issue.

Community Orchard

Cllr Ford reported that it was time to select trees for the orchard and it was decided that Cllr Ford would put a piece in the Eakring Echo to ask residents for their opinions. A final decision will be made at the next meeting in July.

68/20 Update on the Cator Hall

Cllr Brown reported that he had been in checking the Hall every 2 days to ensure it is ok while no one is using it. He has also strimmed the back again.

The Clerks husband is assisting with the new kitchen design and has received photos from Cllr Sweeney. The WI have given Cllr Pennicott a list of desirable equipment which he will forward to the Parish Clerk to be incorporated.

69/20 Parish Clerk's and Councillor's update of matters in hand

Flooding Issues with Drains and Gullies, Highways and Verges: All issues have been reported to Cllr Peck (NCC) who had passed them to the correct officers.

Defibrillator: The Clerk reported that she had got three quotes for 2 sets of pads and 1 battery and the cheapest was Wel Medical who had supplied the Defibrillator to the council initially.

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the Wel Medical quote of £240 and the Clerk would order them to be sent to Cllr Pennicott.

Online Banking: The Clerk reported that she would be sending out the signature sheet and requested that all Councillors sign it.

It was **RESOLVED** to send the Clerk a £500 cheque made to Eakring Parish Council to be a starting deposit in the new account.

70/20 **Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies and Working Parties**

Playing Field Committee: Cllr Ford reported that the committee were waiting for Sport England to resume work as if they sign the contract with Sovereign before Sport England agree to the match funding it will disqualify the committee from receiving it.

71/20 **Insurance 2020/21**

The Clerk reported that she was waiting on the final quote that incorporated the Cator Hall and would report back at the next meeting when she received it.

72/20 **Crime in Eakring Report**

It was reported that there had been a vehicle break in and several reports of prowlers in the village late at night. The police are aware and the Clerk had requested information of any other reported issues from the police but had not had a response yet. Cllr Ford will put a note in the Echo to encourage people to report anything suspicious.

The Council had also received noise and anti-social behaviour complaints from residents regarding Stern Hill Paddock. The Clerk will draft a letter to the company.

73/20 **Correspondence/Information**

The Clerk reported that she had received another positive report on the veg barrow and how excellent it had been during the lockdown from a resident.

74/20 **Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 8th July 2020 beginning at 7.30pm via Zoom

The meeting closed at 8.28pm