

Minutes of the Meeting of Eakring Parish Council

Held in the Cator Hall, Eakring

At 7.30pm on Wednesday 11th October 2023

Present

Chair: Cllr T White

Councillors: J Eley, S Holmes, S Foster, P Clifford and K Peet.

Also, Present: Sian Bacon (Clerk), Cllr S Carlton (NCC), and 1 member of the public.

138/23 **Apologies of Absence**

Cllrs R Brown and L Tift (NSDC) gave their apologies.

139/23 **Variation of Order of Business**

None

140/23 **Declarations of Interest**

None

141/23 **Public Participation**

A resident raised the lengths man scheme. It was noted that the previous council had discussed it previously but they had felt it was unworkable at the time. The Clerk will put it on the agenda for the next meeting to discuss.

The date of the next litter pick was raised.

It was noted that the bank slabs are still broken so need repair. Cllr Carlton (NCC) noted this has been reported and is on the list for action.

It was reported that unauthorised road signs comprising of a no turning sign have appeared at the Brail Lane entrance. Cllr Clifford will give the responsible occupiers address to the County Council.

142/23 **Report from Police and/or County/District Councillors**

Cllr Carlton (NCC)

Cllr Carlton gave the following update:

The offroad bikes that have been driving on the playing field and footpath have been raised with the police and Cllr Holmes has a crime number he will pass on. There is a feasibility survey taking place for the siting of barriers on the footpath.

There is a survey underway for siting grit bins at the previously suggested locations.

The planning application for the Bilsthorpe incinerator is still not forthcoming.

The NCC Capital fund and Revenue fund grants are now open.

Some repair work has been done to Eakring Lane and Cllr Carlton is still waiting on the start dates for the repair to the road outside Grid.

The NCC drug and alcohol programme has received £700,000 in yearly recurring funding. This is being rolled out to get treatment to those with addiction problems in shorter timeframes. A new theatre suite has also been constructed at the Newark Hospital.

The village street lighting request from last meeting has been put in.

143/23 Minutes

It was **RESOLVED** after proposal by Cllr Clifford, seconded by Cllr Eley, and agreed unanimously that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 13th September 2023 be accepted as a true record. They were then signed by the Chair. They will be placed on the website.

144/23 Matters Arising

None

145/23 To Determine if any items are to be moved into Confidential Session.

None

146/23 Planning Applications

1. Bilsthorpe Incinerator Plans

It was noted that plans still haven't been submitted and what was thought to be the public consultation sessions that had been booked in the Cator Hall have now been cancelled.

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

No	Application Number and Website Link	Description and Details	Applicant	Comments

1.	23/01595/FUL https://publicaccess.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=S0MJ8CLBKD600	Replacement of the existing oil-fired water heater with a new domestic ASHP (Air Source Heat Pump) hot water system	Eakring Lodge Accommodation and Reception National Grid Transco Plc Kirklington Road Eakring	The noise that will be generated by the heat pumps is a concern and the Council would like to ensure there is mitigation taken. The council has no objection otherwise and supports green policies.
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147/23 **Finance**

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

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

Payment requests for the Parish Council October 2023				
	Supplier	Description	Budget Item	Total £
Bacs	NSDC	Dog bin emptying	Dog Bins	137.28
				137.28
Payment Requests for the Cator Hall October 2023				
	Supplier	Description	Budget Item	Total £
DD	Eon	Electricity	Electricity	279.10
DD	Talk Talk	Phone & internet	Communication	36.49
SO	J.F. Cleaning	Window Cleaning	Cleaning	15.00
				330.59

B) Income - £525.00 Cator Hall hire, £2594.00 – Precept 2nd half, £352.19 - Interest.

It was agreed to set a meeting with the Cator Hall working party to discuss invoices to date and systems for the Clerk to better log the hall income.

The website was also raised and it was agreed to place this on the next meeting agenda to discuss updating or revamping the website.

- C) It was unanimously **RESOLVED** that the Bank Reconciliation for October 2023 be approved.
- D) It was unanimously **RESOLVED** that the Budget monitoring for October 2023 be approved.
- E) It was unanimously **RESOLVED** that the Bank Reconciliation for the Cator Hall for October 2023 be approved.
- F) It was unanimously **RESOLVED** that the Budget monitoring for the Cator Hall for October 2023 be approved.

148/23 Chair's Announcements

Cllr Brown sent the following message to be relayed by the Clerk:

Not much to report, I have had a word with people about the hall being used after 11.30pm and it was agreed that this would not occur again.

There is disappointment with the road repairs. With a few patches done here and there but the road is still terrible.

149/23 Cator Hall

1. Update from the Committee

There was no update at this time.

2. Authorisation of funds for items requiring repair or replacement

Cllr Peet reported the electric lock system isn't viable so the gate issue will be looked at for a different solution.

Cllr Clifford suggested that the ceiling should be plastic covered like the walls and he will get quotes.

3. Tree Removal

Cllr Brown reported that he has authorised the quote of £350 by LS Forestry upon presentation of the required insurance, certificates and risk assessment paperwork.

150/23 Parish Council Plan

Mompesson's Cross

The area is clear at the moment.

Community Orchard

Mr Pedley is taking care of the orchard.

Welcome to Eakring Signs

Cllr Eley and the Clerk are going to liaise on Monday and begin work on the paperwork for the grant. The grant needs three quotes and a design are needed for this. Cllr Eley has produced two designs which the council are happy with. Cllr Carlton (NCC) agreed to support the application.

The Council **RESOLVED** to delegate the completed design to Cllr Eley.

The Clerk will assist with the quotes.

Community Speedwatch

The Clerk will order the equipment now the council has banking access again.

A watch site on Kirklington Road will be sought.

151/23 **Roads & Footpaths**

The Rose Cottage Pavement seems to have been swept.

The Lengthsmans scheme was discussed and the Clerk will investigate further and it will be raised at the next meeting.

A day of action was suggested and this will be discussed further and will be raised at the next meeting.

It was noted that enforcement action for reported issues wasn't being followed up by the NSDC or the NCC.

At this point Cllr Clifford left the meeting

There will be a walk round organised with Cllr Carlton to look at the issues occurring around the village.

The walk around from the NSDC was raised and the clerk has received no further information. The Clerk will ask the NSDC for a walk round as well.

152/23 **Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies and Working Parties**

Playing Field Committee: Cllr White reported that the next meeting will be on the 25th October. The Clerk will have a date for the meter installation by the end of the week. The committee at looking in paths for disabled access.

153/23 **Correspondence/Information**

There was no correspondence that had not already been circulated.

It was agreed to hold the next village litter pick on Saturday 2nd December 2023. This will be advertised in the Echo.

154/23 **Date of the Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be an Ordinary Meeting held on Wednesday 8th November 2023 beginning at 7.30pm in the Cator Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.32PM