

Minutes of the Meeting of Eakring Parish Council

Held in the Cator Hall, Eakring

At 7.30pm on Wednesday 12th July 2023

Present

Councillor Cllr R Brown

Councillors: T White, J Eley, P Clifford and K Peet.

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

101/23 **Apologies of Absence**

Cllrs S Foster, S Holmes and L Tift (NSDC) gave their apologies.

102/23 **Variation of Order of Business**

None

103/23 **Co-option of Councillors**

It was **RESOLVED** to co-opt Mr Ken Peet and Mr Pete Clifford to the council. Cllrs Peet and Clifford signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and joined the councillors at the table.

104/23 **Declarations of Interest**

None

105/23 **Public Participation**

None

106/23 **Report from Police and/or County/District Councillors**

Cllr Carlton (NCC)

Cllr Carlton gave the following update:

Tomorrow at the NCC full council meeting the council will be discussing leaving County Hall as part of saving £2 million. It will cost £30 million to upgrade with £28 million of that to bring it up to environmental standards by 2030. A newer building at Hucknall would cost £18.4 million with an expected 4 year pay back. It was noted that rented accommodation is expensive and it would bring all workers under one roof at Hucknall. Currently the County Hall is sitting largely empty and there would need to be approval for what happened with the building thereafter. It is

thought it could stay with the local authority but be rented out or the council could sell it but once it is gone it is gone.

The Tour of Britain is to start in Edwinstow and will run through Eakring. Significant road repairs are taking place in anticipation of the tour. £5 million has been put into road repairs with the A616 through Wellow a priority. Markings on the road round potholes have changed with white markings being priority jobs and yellow rings meaning the repair will take longer but it is hoped will be a more efficient job. The repairs to the road outside of Grid have the funding secured but no work start date yet.

The Mickledale junction plans have been removed from the Ollerton roundabout improvement scheme. Work is expected to start spring next year as a 2-year programme. In September Via will be coming up with schemes for live traffic monitoring. It is thought that in Eakring the traffic will be intensifying slightly.

A traffic survey has been completed and the traffic data is back for the speed and flows on Bilsthorpe Road, the western approach to Eakring. The flows vary between 132 and 359 vehicles per hour, although it isn't consistently above the 250 required for a permanent interactive speed sign. The speed in both directions at the 85th %ile is 34.1mph. For consideration for an Interactive Speed Sign, LTP require it to be 10%+2 over the speed limit, so in this instance it'd need to be greater than 35mph. Interestingly, the average speed is greater exiting the village than entering. It is thought that this is due to motorists seeing the change of speed limit and already putting their foot down. What the CC can do is put up 30FAR signs along the main stretch through Eakring. The CC will ask for the temporary ISS to be placed on the eastern end of the village – they've just been moved around so this'll be in around six weeks. Additional surveys done and live enforcement on weight restrictions will take place.

On Mainstreet there has been a cut back of the overgrowing vegetation.

The light blocking cottages trees have been identified as highways land so works are being proposed to the trees.

The Incinerator at Bilsthorpe has had no application submitted yet.

107/23 **Minutes**

It was **RESOLVED** after proposal by Cllr Eley, seconded by Cllr White, and agreed unanimously that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 14th June 2023 be accepted as a true record. They were then signed by the Chair as a true record. They will be placed on the website.

108/23 **Matters Arising**

The NSDC plan mentioned by Councillor Tift at the last meeting was raised and it was noted that the council would be interested in having bins in the layby's if possible and a day of action

The Eakring welcome signs were raised and it was agreed that Cllrs Peet and Clifford will look into the design and then the Clerk and Cllr Eley will look at funding in September.

Parking issues were raised and Cllr Carlton will look at this with Cllr Holmes and it was suggested the police be requested to look when they do their fatal four exercises in the village.

109/23 **To Determine if any items are to be moved into Confidential Session.**

None

110/23 **Planning Applications**

1. Bilsthorpe Incinerator Plans

It was noted that plans still haven't been submitted.

It is thought a consultation is being held in the hall in September by the company.

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

There were no applications for comment.

111/23 **Finance**

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

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

(1) That the schedule of bill payments detailed below be approved

Payment requests for the Parish Council July 2023				
	Supplier	Description	Budget Item	Total £
Bacs	Hiscox Insurance	Insurance 2023/24	Insurance	1,449.38
DD	Unity Trust	Service Charge	Bank Charges	18.00
Bacs	Npower	Defib electricity	Phonebox/defib	73.80
Bacs	S Bacon	Paper	Clerk's expenses	6.14
				1,547.32
Payment Requests for the Cator Hall July 2023				
	Supplier	Description	Budget Item	Total £
DD	Eon	Electricity	Electricity	172.73
DD	Talk Talk	Phone & internet	Communication	36.49
Bacs	S Cook	Light repair	Safety	54.00
Bacs	G Reay	Window Cleaning	Cleaning	25.00
SO	J.F. Cleaning	Window Cleaning	Cleaning	15.00
Bacs	R Brown	Stationary	Consumables	6.99
DD	Unity Trust	Service Charge	Misc	18.00
				328.21

- B) Income - £397.50 Cator Hall hire, £265.50 Bank Interest, £25560.93 Lightsource.
- C) It was unanimously **RESOLVED** that the Bank Reconciliation for July 2023 be approved.
- D) It was unanimously **RESOLVED** that the Budget monitoring for July 2023 be approved.
- E) It was unanimously **RESOLVED** that the Bank Reconciliation for the Cator Hall for July 2023 be approved.
- F) It was unanimously **RESOLVED** that the Budget monitoring for the Cator Hall for July 2023 be approved.

112/23 Chair's Announcements

Chair gave thanks for all those who helped on the action day at the Cator Hall and noted that much was achieved. The committee will keep pushing ahead with jobs around the hall.

113/23 Cator Hall

1. Update from the Committee

None

2. Approval of the Cator Hall Working Party terms of Reference

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the terms of reference as presented to the committee after proposal by Cllr White, seconded by Cllr Eley.

3. Authorisation of funds for items requiring repair or replacement

It was **RESOLVED** to delegate expenditure of up to £50 for a microwave for the Cator Hall after proposal by Cllr Eley, seconded by Cllr Clifford.

4. Tree Removal

Cllr Brown reported that the council have permission to remove the cherry trees but they need replacing with something else. It was agreed that the Christmas tree will be sorted next year. The walnut tree is also having some work done. Cllr Brown will find 3 quotes for the September meeting.

5. Hall Cleaning

The working party will look at costs for the cleaner and bring quotes to the Parish Council for approval.

6. Update on Fire Doors

The Clerk reported that the doors will be ready on the 27th July with the installation date still pending.

7. Fire Drill and Policies

The electrician has shown Cllr Brown how to test the emergency lighting. The policies and fire drills have been passed to the committee for completion.

114/23 Parish Council Plan

Mompesson's Cross

Cllr White reported that he has strimmed the area.

Community Orchard

It was reported that the community orchard has been scythed and hay has been made.

Community Speedwatch

It was reported that the police had sent through information for all the volunteers to agree to. A meeting has also been organised to find a suitable spot for the watches to occur from. The volunteer will report back and then the Clerk will progress the training once a location has been identified.

115/23 Roads & Footpaths

The footpath closure at the side of Jelano was raised and it was noted that no work seemed to be occurring at the property but the footpath is still closed with the Clerk having received multiple letters regarding this. Cllr Carlton will query this with the footpaths team at NCC.

It was reported that on Back Lane there are some issues with speeding. Cllr Carlton (NCC) will look into this.

116/23 **Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies and Working Parties**

Playing Field Committee: Cllr White will organise a meeting. The Clerk will send Mr Ford's email address to Cllr White.

117/23 **Correspondence/Information**

1. NottsALC – AGM to be held on the 11th September 2023.

118/23 **Date of the Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be an Ordinary Meeting held on Wednesday 13th September 2023 beginning at 7.30pm in the Cator Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.00PM