

Minutes of the Meeting of Eakring Parish Council

Held in the Cator Hall, Eakring

At 7.30pm on Wednesday 12th August 2020

Present Via Zoom

Councillor R Brown (in the Chair)

Councillors, A White, Cllr J Sweeney and J Pennicott

Also, Present: Sian Bacon (Clerk), 1 Parishioner, Cllr T Smith (NSDC) & Cllr J Peck (NCC)

96/20 **Apologies of Absence**

Cllr K Meanley (Family Emergency) & Cllr R Ford (Holiday)

97/20 **Variation of Order of Business**

None

98/20 **Declarations of Interest**

Cllr Sweeney declared an interest in agenda Item 19.2 the Playing Field as committee members.

99/20 **Public Participation**

Representative of Sternhill Paddock

Cllr Brown reported that things have been much better with the noise recently. Miss Machin reported that she was actively working on the noise and through lockdown it has been very difficult for the residents, many of whom have had their lives and schedules completely altered. The residents are getting out but there are difficulties with many activities now cancelled. It was requested that everybody approach Miss Machin directly regarding any issues and she will be happy to help.

100/20 **Report from Police and/or County/District Councillors**

Cllr Peck (NCC)

Cllr Peck reported that due to Coronavirus Social Care for adults and children was taking up a lot of the time of the County Council however a lot of the services are getting back to normal such as the highways department and libraries were reopening. There have been some new cases of coronavirus in Newark recently and a testing centre opened up there.

Cllr Peck has reported Kirklington road again he reported that he had taken a look and some of the some pot holes reported for repair were now ringed or repaired. Cllr Peck has requested a complete retarmacking however the Highways department seem to be repairing the road instead. Cllr Brown noted the hedges on Kirklington Road and the Allotments are still very overgrown and they are pushing people into the road to get passed them. Cllr Peck will report these again

Tom Smith (NSDC)

Cllr Smith reported that he had a follow up on the Cherry View planning application. He has called the application in for review and the next step is that the application will be assessed to see the quality of the call in. Cllr Smith also reported that he had received the hard copies on the new littering posters and will post them to Cllr Ford.

101/20 Minutes

It was **RESOLVED** after proposal by Cllr Brown, seconded by Cllr Pennicott and agreed unanimously that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on 8th July 2020 be accepted. They were then signed by the Chair as a true record. They will be placed on the website.

102/20 To Determine if any items are to be moved into Confidential Session

None

103/20 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.	20/01407/LBC https://publicaccess.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal	Change of Use of Garage and Store to Granny Annexe	The Windmill Wellow Road Eakring NG22 0DF	No objection

2.	https://publicaccess.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=PZVLC3LBLWQ00	Change of use of part of former paddock and erection of detached double garage - re-submission of 19/00224/FUL	Stentons Croft Church Lane Eakring NG22 0DH	To be discussed as occupiers of the Cator Hall. No objection
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Licencing Applications to be considered

1.	Sale of alcohol: - Sunday to Thursday 12 -4pm, Friday and Saturday 12 – 11pm Live music: - Friday and Saturday 7-11pm	The Daffodil Tearoom Ltd Saville Court Main Street Eakring NG22 0BL	No objection
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104/20 **Finance**

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

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

Newark & Sherwood District Council – Election Recharges for 2019 Elections - £66.80

B) It was unanimously **RESOLVED** that the Bank Reconciliation for August 2020 be accepted.

C) It was unanimously **RESOLVED** that the Budget Monitoring for August 2020 be accepted.

105/20 **To Note the Internal Audit Report 2019/20**

The Clerk reported that the Internal Audit had been successfully completed and the documents have been signed ready for submission to the external auditor.

106/20 **Approval of Annual Governance Statement 2019/20**

It was unanimously **RESOLVED** that the Annual Governance Statement 2019/20 be approved.

107/20 **Approval of Annual Accounting Statement 2019/20**

It was unanimously **RESOLVED** that the Annual Accounting Statement 2019/20 be approved

108/20 **Update on the Coronavirus Situation**

It was reported that everything currently is the same as last month.

109/20 **Chair's Announcements**

None

110/20 **Approval of new Parish Council Noticeboard**

Cllr Brown reported that he has found quotes for a new Parish Council notice board and the best quote was the Parish Noticeboard Company for £785 +VAT. The Council will need to install the notice board themselves as due to Covid 19 it is not possible to have the board installed by the company. The noticeboard will be blue metal to match the church noticeboard opposite and will have a pin board inside.

It was **RESOLVED** to purchase the noticeboard from the Parish Noticeboard Company for a cost of £785 + Vat

111/20 **Parish Council Plan**

Mompesson's Cross

Cllr Pennicott reported that he has been up to the cross and has removed the teddy bears. The area is tidied and weeded. The Clerk has sent a letter for the WI to the Chair for signing thanking them for their work keeping the area tidy and requesting their continued help in doing so.

Community Orchard

The orchard has reportedly settled on a list of fruit trees which should be ordered soon.

112/20 **Update on the Cator Hall**

- 1) **To discuss the reopening of the Hall and the risk assessment.** – It was agreed that given the level of work required to reopen the hall and the current lack of a regular cleaner the hall will remain closed and the situation reviewed in September.
- 2) **To discuss and approve the purchase of safety equipment for reopening** – It was agreed to review this in September when opening decisions are finalised.
- 3) **Kitchen improvements** - It was agreed to review this in September when opening decisions are finalised.
- 4) **New Flag for the hall** – The Clerk will look for quotes for a new flag and present them at the September meeting.
- 5) **Insulation for the hall** – The Clerk reported that at present all grant the council is eligible for are focused on covid 19 responses.

113/20 **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 will pass them to the County Council officers.

Online Banking: The Clerk reported that the new bank accounts should be up and running in the next few weeks with the submission of the transfer documents to move the Council's funds from Lloyds Bank to Unity Trust. The old accounts will be closed as part of the transfer. The Clerk has logged on to the accounts and the Councillors are receiving or have received their login information.

War Memorial Name Change: The Clerk has no further update on this at present and will bring any updates to the September meeting.

114/20 **Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies and Working Parties**

Playing Field Committee: Cllr Sweeney reported that the committee were still waiting for Sport England to get back to the committee about match funding.

115/20 **Keep Britain Tidy September Litter Pick**

It was agreed to hold another litter pick on Saturday 19th September at 10am where attendees can gather at a social distance outside the Cator Hall. The Clerk will organise the rubbish collection, the risk assessment and the health & safety briefing to be given at the start. All attendees will need to wear gloves. The information will be posted in the Echo and on Facebook.

116/20 **Correspondence/Information**

The Clerk reported that she had received correspondence from:

- 1) **Community Heritage Tree Project** - Requesting the Council take part in a tree planting event in 2021 – the Council will discuss this at the September meeting
- 2) **Newark & Sherwood News Journal**- Inviting the Council to put their news into the monthly newsletters
- 3) **Nottinghamshire Mental Health Helpline** – information regarding the Mental Health Helpline for Nottinghamshire residents. This is currently advertised on Facebook.

117/20 **Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 9th September 2020 beginning at 7.30pm with the location to be confirmed.

The meeting closed at 20.39pm