

Minutes of the Meeting of Eakring Parish Council

Held in the Cator Hall, Eakring

At 7.30pm on Wednesday 13th September 2023

Present

Councillor Cllr R Brown

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

Also, Present: Sian Bacon (Clerk), Cllr S Carlton (NCC) Cllr C Penny (NSDC) and 2 members of the public.

119/23 **Apologies of Absence**

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

120/23 **Variation of Order of Business**

None

121/23 **Declarations of Interest**

None

122/23 **Public Participation**

It was noted that the footpath by Jeleno now appears accessible.

123/23 **Report from Police and/or County/District Councillors**

Cllr Carlton (NCC)

Cllr Carlton gave the following update:

The Tour of Britain was successful and estimated to have brought an economic benefit between £3 and £4 million.

Cllr Carlton reported there he had been involved in the mental health and suicide prevention week long campaign from the NCC which had been ongoing last week. The campaign has focused on young men and encouraging them to get assistance with their mental health.

It was reported that the Local Communities fund opens in October.

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

Cllr Carlton has put all of the problem vegetation and hedge requests in to NCC and these are being worked on.

There will be road works for road resurfacing in the next few months and NCC are still working on the timing of the work required outside the National Grid site.

The Highway priorities are being set at NCC and Deerdale Lane junction has been put forward for works.

Cllr Carlton reported that in the area of social care the NCC plan to target drugs and alcohol abuse has exceeded the national strategy target. It was noted that there have been problems with heroin mixed with fentanyl that has caused a number of ODs and deaths. There is a drug surveillance system in operation and a rehabilitation treatment provider paid for by the county council to help prevent and treat addiction and drug supply. The NCC is the only authority in England doing this and it is a significant piece of work.

Cllr Penny (NSDC)

Cllr Penny gave the following update:

She has been involved with a planning application in the village and has helped it move forward.

124/23 Minutes

It was **RESOLVED** after proposal by Cllr Eley, seconded by Cllr Peet, and agreed unanimously that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 12th July 2023 be accepted as a true record with some small spelling amendments. They were then signed by the Chair as a true record. They will be placed on the website.

125/23 Matters Arising

The plan for villages being put together by the NSDC was raised with extra bins being something the council would like to see.

Triumph Road parking was raised and it was noted that there had been better parking but motorbikes are going through the park on the footpath. The bikes have no numberplates which makes it difficult to identify them. Cllr Holmes will log with the police and Cllr Carlton will speak to the county council officers.

126/23 To Determine if any items are to be moved into Confidential Session.

None

127/23 Planning Applications

1. Bilthorpe Incinerator Plans

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

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

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.	23/01418/HOUSE https://publicaccess.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=RZ67V1LBJXT00	Loft conversion including dormer windows. Side and rear extension. New detached garage and associated landscaping, cladding, replacement windows and roof.	Fairhaven Tenters Lane Eakring NG22 0DQ	No objection

128/23 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 September 2023				
	Supplier	Description	Budget Item	Total £
Bacs	S Bacon	Wages	Clerk's Salary	783.90
Bacs	S Bacon	Petrol	Clerk's Expenses	20.00
Bacs	S Bacon	Printer Ink	IT	165.85
Bacs	PFK Littlejohn	Audit Fee	Audit	378.00
				1,347.75
Payment Requests for the Cator Hall September 2023				
	Supplier	Description	Budget Item	Total £
DD	Eon	Electricity	Electricity	172.73
DD	Talk Talk	Phone & internet	Communication	36.49
Bacs	JNR Ltd	Fire doors	Capital expenditure	2,850.00
SO	J.F. Cleaning	Window Cleaning	Cleaning	15.00
				3,074.22

B) Income - £101.25 Cator Hall hire, £7500.00 Bilthorpe Windfarm Grant.

C) It was unanimously **RESOLVED** that Cllrs Clifford, Peet and Eley would be added to the bank as signatories.

D) It was unanimously **RESOLVED** that the Bank Reconciliation for September 2023 be approved.

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

112/23 **Chair's Announcements**

The Cator Hall heating is working better than it was thanks to help from Cllr Peet.

113/23 **Cator Hall**

1. **Update from the Committee**

There was no update at this time. The Clerk will raise the issue of invoices with the Committee.

2. **Authorisation of funds for items requiring repair or replacement**

None.

Cllr Clifford kindly agreed to overboard and plaster the kitchen ceiling.

3. **Tree Removal**

Cllr Brown reported that he has received 2 quotes of £350 and £400 for the tree work which will be split with the church. He will obtain a quote from another supplier.

It was **RESOLVED** to delegate selection of the supplier to Cllr Brown up to the value of £350 providing the supplier can produce the requisite paperwork.

4. **Update on Fire Doors**

Cllr Brown reported that the doors are now installed.

Cllr Peet will look into the costs of an electronic gate lock and gates for the hall.

114/23 **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

After a lengthy debate it was **RESOLVED**, all councillors except for Cllr White in agreement, to move forward with the signs.

The Clerk and Cllr Eley will look at getting grant funding when the scheme opens in October.

Community Speedwatch

It was reported that the police have identified a suitable location for the watches.

115/23 Purchase of Speed Watch Equipment

It was **RESOLVED** to purchase 2 signs and a speedwatch pack including the speed gun for a cost of £950.94. this will be delivered to the Speedwatch coordinators house.

116/23 Snow Wardens 2023/24

It was agreed to put the position of a volunteer to be Snow warden in the Eakring Echo.

It was also agreed the Clerk would request the free 5 bags of grit from NCC.

117/23 Roads & Footpaths

The footpath closure at the side of Jelano has been cleared.

Horse poo has been found on the cut through footpath from Back Lane to Kirklington Road. It was noted that no one has seen anyone riding on the path but they will be reported if seen. It was queried whether there could be more lighting on the path. Cllr Carlton will raise this with the NCC.

118/23 Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies and Working Parties

Playing Field Committee: Cllr White reported they had held a meeting. The Clerk will chase the meter. The lights have been on past 9pm. The committee will need to raise this with abacus. Complaints about grass not being cut. Abacus have been paid twice so the Playing Field Committee will reclaim their money.

It was agreed that any charity nights should be free from hall hire charges.

119/23 Correspondence/Information

1. Telephone Box and Bench Maintenance letter from resident – it was noted the benches are synthetic so just need a wash. It was agreed to supply the materials to the resident.
2. NSDC – Warm Homes on Prescription information. This will be circulated.

3. NottsALC – DLUHC Consultation on Local Plans
4. NottsALC – D-Day 80 – 6th June 2024
5. Sovereign Compliance Inspection Report – passed to the Playing field Committee
6. NCC – Consultation on Nottinghamshire and Nottingham Waste Local Plan
7. NSDC – Eakring Walkabout – Thursday 12th October – Cllr Peet will attend.

120/23 **Date of the Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be an Ordinary Meeting held on Wednesday 11th October 2023 beginning at 7.30pm in the Cator Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.32PM