

UNAPPROVED Minutes of the Elkesley Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 17th November 2015 at 7pm in the Elkesley Memorial Hall, High Street, Elkesley.

Present: Cllr Oldbury (Chair), Cllr Fish, Cllr Flear, Cllr Hirst, Cllr McCaffrey, Cllr Raper & Cllr Stronach

Others Present: Mrs Davies (Clerk) District Cllr K Dukes, County Cllr J Ogle and members of the public.

1188/15 To receive apologies for absence

Apologies received and approved from Cllr Woodcock.

1189/15 To receive and record declaration of interests from Members in any item to be discussed

No declaration of interests received.

1190/15 To approve the minutes of the meeting held 20th October 2015, 2nd November 2015 and 20th August 2015

Cllr Hirst proposed to approve the minutes of the meeting held 20th October 2015; Cllr Raper seconded the proposal and the Council resolved to accept the minutes by 6 votes.

Cllr McCaffrey proposed to approve the minutes of the meeting held 2nd November 2015; Cllr Flear seconded the proposal and the Council resolved to accept the minutes by 7 votes.

The Chair proposed to approve the minutes of the meeting held 20th August 2015; Cllr Stronach seconded and it was resolved by the 5 Members at that meeting.

1191/15 To hold a 10 minutes public session

The meeting was suspended to allow members of the public to speak.

Items to follow up on:

- Dog fouling information for the Idle Times
- Water to put in the container at the cemetery

1192/15 To receive reports from the District Councillor

District Cllr Kevin Dukes gave his report from the District Council and also congratulated the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group and Parish Council on being the first parish in Nottinghamshire to get through the referendum. Cllr Dukes also commented on the quality of objections from the residents regarding the Robin Hood Inn application; the comments linked into the Neighbourhood Plan which was very impressive.

Cllr Stronach asked Cllr J Ogle and Cllr K Dukes to contact County Council regarding the re installation of footpath alongside the A1 between the Indian and Greaves's corner.

County Cllr John Ogle gave his report from the County Council and also congratulated the Parish Council on the success of the Neighbourhood Plan.

1193/15 Planning – To consider any planning applications, note any correspondence and decision notices

No planning applications received.

1194/15 To receive update on the Neighbourhood Plan and referendum

The Chair reported that the Neighbourhood Plan referendum took place on 12th November; the results were 199 votes (93.86%) in favour with 13 votes (6.13%) against, therefore it was declared that more than half of those voting have voted **in favour** of the Neighbourhood Plan. The Plan will stay in place till 2028.

1195/15 To receive update on the Community Asset decision

The District Council's solicitor has written to confirm that the District Council has concluded the review of the decision to list the Robin Hood Inn as an asset of community value. The Council has upheld the decision to list the property.

1196/16 Finance – to approve payments and receive financial update

The Clerk circulated copies of the current finances, budget figures and bank statements for the councillors to view.

Cllr Stronach proposed to approve the following payments; Cllr Hirst seconded and it was resolved by the council by 7 votes.

- a) Street cleaner's November wage £230.25 (1587)
- b) Parish clerk's October wage & exps 169.96 (1588)
- c) HMRC – paye £66.80 (1589)
- d) The Poppy Appeal – Remembrance wreath £17.50 (1590)
- e) Holmes Groundcare Maintenance Oct grass cutting £624.00 (1591)
- f) Western Power – Christmas tree licence £25.00 (1592)
- g) Elkesley Memorial Hall – room hire £60.00 (1593)
- h) N Oldbury – printing costs TBA (1594)
- i) A Hirst – fixings for the defibrillator £14.26 (1596)
- j) P Johnson – Petrol for church yard grass cutting £60.49 (1597)

1197/15 To consider request from the Memorial Hall Committee for financial assistance for the Post Office

Cllr Fish abstained from this item due to being a member of the Memorial Hall Committee. Following consideration, Cllr Raper proposed to contribute £4.50 per Post Office session towards the village hall's heating costs; a review to take place in 12 months' time. This was resolved by 4 votes.

1198/15 To receive update on any grass cutting costings

This item is deferred to the next meeting.

1199/15 To receive village reports

Sports field and play equipment inspection

- No issues raised regarding the inspection
- It was agreed to lock the bins down to prevent them being tipped over

Highways and service faults

- The Chair read out an email regarding the bus shelter on Jockey Lane. The County Council are looking at the possibility of creating a bus stop hard standing at the junction of Jockey Lane and Old London Road for the school children

- Cllr Dukes will chase Cllr Kevin Greaves regarding the bus shelter in the village. The County Council agreed that bus shelters should be moved to reflect the new positions of the bus stops
- Advanced notification has been received for works to remove the bump at the bottom of Headland Ave
- Suggestion to request a light at the new junction with the road over the bridge
- The Chair reported that some of the spare areas of land left over from the bridge have been taken back by the original landowners; County Council has taken over responsibility of maintenance of the remaining hedges and grass verges. Carillion has a two years maintenance contract to maintain the grassed areas/shrubs.
- The Chair read out an email from the Planning Enforcement Officer regarding their formal inspections of the wood stack at Plevins.

Cemetery

- Discussion over a water supply took place as raised during the public session.

To receive update from the Poulter Valley Group - Nothing to report.

To receive update from the Youth Council - Nothing to report.

To receive any update on the A1 bridge - Nothing further to report

1200/15 To discuss effective ways of communication

Cllr Flear raised the issue of ways of communicating with the residents following comments made at the previous meeting. District Cllr Dukes made the original comments regarding digital notice boards and he explained that his Welbeck Ward is part of a pilot scheme the District Council is looking into. The notice boards will be like the Parish Council's web page; parish maps, places of local interest and advertising etc.

A village face book page is another way to receive input from all ages.

At this point Cllr Fish asked if dog fouling signs can be sprayed on the pavements like other areas in Bassetlaw are doing; Cllr Fish to contact the dog warden.

1201/15 To receive items of information for future agenda items

The Chair read out a letter from BDC's Monitoring Officer, confirming that he has not breached the council's code of conduct following a complaint from Cllr Stronach. The issues raised were not accepted as valid reasons.

Agenda items for the next meeting:

- To discuss the right of way on Battery Lane
- Grass Cutting
- Budget Ideas
- Update on the Robin Hood Inn
- BMX track

1202/15 Time and date of the next Parish Council meeting

The time and date of the next Parish Council meeting will be held on 15th December 2015 at 7pm in Committee Room, Elkesley Memorial Hall, High Street, Elkesley.

The Chair closed the meeting at 8.40pm.