

## ELKESLEY PARISH COUNCIL

### UNAPPROVED -Minutes of the Meeting of the Elkesley Parish Council

A Meeting of the Elkesley Parish Council was held in the Elkesley Memorial Hall, High Street, Elkesley on 17<sup>th</sup> February 2015 2014 at 7pm.

**1029/15 Present:** Cllr Oldbury (Chair), Cllr Raper, Cllr Fish, Cllr Hirst, Cllr Stronach, Cllr O'Brien, Cllr Woodcock and Cllr Simpson

**Others Present:** Mrs Davies (Clerk), Cllr Mrs Evans and 25 members of the public

#### **1030/15 To receive apologies for absence**

No apologies received.

#### **1031/15 To receive and record declaration of interests from Members in in any item on the agenda**

No declarations received.

#### **1032/15 To discuss the future of the Lawnwood Ave A1 garages with Cllr Evans from BDC**

Cllr Evans from Harworth Town Council and Member of the District Council attended the meeting to discuss with residents the proposed sale of the A1 garages on Lawnwood Ave. Cllr Evans has cancelled the notice to residents to quit the garages and prevented the sale going to the February auctions.

Cllr Baines attended the meeting at this point.

Following discussion with the residents, Cllr Evans concluded that there was a need and demand for garages in that area; a requirement that both sites should remain as garages. It was also suggested that a turning circle for the bus in the area of the Headland Ave garages would also be advantageous. Cllr Evans will take the information from the meeting back to the District Council for further consideration.

District Cllr Douglas attended the meeting during this discussion.

The Chair requested that A1 Housing passes on information of the garages that are not rented so that they can circulate the information to residents on the waiting list for a garage.

#### **1033/15 To hold a 10 minute public session**

- A resident asked who was responsible for cutting the grass on Brough Lane – this is the landowner's responsibility.
- Information regarding a pond shown on the old sports field deeds was passed onto the council.

#### **1034/15 To approve the minutes of the meeting held 20<sup>th</sup> January 2015**

Cllr Baines proposed to approve the minutes of the meeting held 20<sup>th</sup> January 2015 as a true record; this was seconded by Cllr Oldbury and resolved by the Council. The Chair duly signed the minutes.

#### **1035/15 To receive an update from the Youth Council**

Eight members of the Youth Council attended the meeting and gave a presentation on the four projects they would like to do for the community.

- Street Art on the skate park
- Walking and running markers on the back lanes for fun runs
- Professional artwork in the bus shelters showing the history of the village
- An orienteering course in the village

The Council approved all the projects by 9 votes and thanked the group for attending.

**1036/15 Planning – To consider any planning applications, note any correspondence and decision notices**

No Planning applications received.

Notification received of the Nottinghamshire County Council's (Elkesley footpath Nos. 9 and 10) Modification Order 2013.

**1037/15 To receive sports field and play equipment reports**

- Proludic have supplied replacement caps for the MUGA and an instruction note for the fitness equipment – free of charge.
- The Chair is chasing L.I.S re the play area gates
- The repairs have been carried out on the play equipment as per the annual inspection report
- The Chair has sourced a new bollard for the entrance to the sport field
- The damaged areas of grass will require re seeding (frost damage from a van on the field)

**1038/15 To receive progress report on the sports field hedge cutting**

The Councillors arranged to meet on the Saturday to walk the area to agree on the work to be carried out.

**1039/15 To receive an update from the Poulter Valley Group**

This item was covered under minute No.1043/15.

**1040/15 To consider the use of the sports field for the Elkesley Feast 11<sup>th</sup> July 2015**

After discussion, Cllr Woodcock proposed that there would be no charge to the Memorial Hall Committee for the use of the field, in lieu of the Parish Council's £50 donation to the event; this was seconded by Cllr Baines and resolved by 9 votes.

The Clerk requested that any groups/businesses on the field carrying out activities; are to give a copy of their public liability insurance.

**1041/15 To receive any village reports**

- Cllr O'Brien gave an update on the Jockey Lane flooding. Mr Davies; Drainage Engineer from the District Council met with Cllr O'Brien on site to discuss the flooding issue. A further meeting is to take place with the Highway's Manager.
- The Chair reported that he is organising a street naming meeting on the 3<sup>rd</sup> March; the Council approved the letter to be sent out to the village groups etc. It was agreed that Cllr O'Brien and Cllr Baines would be the Parish Council representatives and the names suggested names were: Elkesley Bridge, Poulter Way and the name of one of the steam engines.

**1042/15 To receive any Highways or service faults**

Cllr Stronach reported the state of the footpath/hedges from Twyford Bridge to the entrance to Twyford Lane and along the A1 past the Indian restaurant.

**1043/15 To receive a report from the District Councillor**

- Cllr Douglas commented further on the A1 garage situation and the possibility of looking into community asset transfer where the Parish Council may be able to purchase the land from the District Council.
- The District Council is currently consulting on a proposed public spaces protection order – dog control.
- The Poulter Valley group are carrying out a spring clean at Crookford 7<sup>th</sup> March
- The finalised Neighbourhood Plan document is waiting to go for its final public consultation and it now has material weight in planning issues.

#### **1044/15 Proposal to discuss the A1 bridge**

Cllr Stronach voiced his concerns over Carillion's day time work schedule and notification of A1 closure dates. It was agreed to contact Carillion.

#### **1045/15 Finance – To approve payments and receive financial report**

The Council resolved to approve the following payments by 9 votes:

- a) NW Architects – Changing rooms grant £9060.00 (1515)
- b) B.D.C – N.Plan printing expenses £340.00 (1516)
- c) Void (1517)
- d) Street Cleaner's February wage £225.32 (1518)
- e) Clerk's January wage & expenses £281.59 (1519)
- f) Elkesley Memorial Hall – room hire £30.00 (1520)

The Clerk circulated copies of the current finances and budget amounts. The bank statements were available for the Council to view.

#### **1046/15 To review the Financial Regulations**

The Council reviewed the updated Financial Regulations and resolved by 9 votes to adopt.

#### **1047/15 To receive correspondence for information and future agenda items**

The Council noted items of correspondence for information.

Items put forward for the next agenda:

- Results from the Street Naming competition
- Transfer of Assets

At this point the meeting was halted due to the 2.5hr meeting time limit. The following agenda items were deferred.

#### **1048/15 To exclude members of the public from the meeting under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meeting) Act 1960 for the following agenda item**

Agenda item deferred.

#### **1049/15 To consider grass cutting tenders**

Agenda item deferred.

#### **1050/15 Clerk update**

Agenda item deferred.

#### **1051/15 Time and date of the next Parish Council meeting.**

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on the 17<sup>th</sup> March 2015 at 7pm in the Elkesley Memorial Hall.

There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 9.30pm.