

ELKESLEY PARISH COUNCIL

(UNAPPROVED)

Minutes of the Meeting of the Elkesley Parish Council

The Meeting of the Elkesley Parish Council was held in the Elkesley Memorial Hall, High Street, Elkesley on 21st January 2014 at 7pm.

804/14 Present: Cllr Oldbury (Chair), Cllr Fish, Cllr O'Brien, Cllr Hirst, Cllr Raper, Cllr Stronach and Cllr Woodcock

Others present: Mrs Davies (Clerk) and members of the public

805/14 To receive and approve apologies for absence

Apologies received from Cllr Baines and Cllr Simpson

806/14 To receive and record declaration of interests from Members in any item to be discussed

No declarations of interest received.

807/14 To approve minutes of the meeting held 17th December 2013

It was **resolved** by 7 votes to accept the minutes of the meeting held 17th December 2013 as a true record and the Chairman signed the minutes.

808/14 To hold a 10 minute public session

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

- Reports of youth causing trouble around the Memorial Hall
- Update of query re the N.C.C minutes for the Plevin application
- New telephone mast to be erected at Eaton – Chairman reported on the N.C.C contract with BT
- Glasses found on Church Lane

809/14 To receive a report from the District Councillor

Cllr Douglas was not present to submit a report.

810/14 To discuss the village website

The Chairman gave an update of the village website which is now live but not yet completed. Additional information is required from the local groups so that information and links can be provided

The cost of the website will be £35.88 for the first year and £60 thereafter.

811/14 Finance – to approve payments and receive financial update

It was resolved by 7 votes to approve the following payments:

- a) Street Cleaner's Jan wage £218.73 (1400)
- b) Parish Clerk's Dec wage and expenses £236.13 (1401)
- c) Bassetlaw District Council – N. Plan expenses £2784.00 (1402)
- d) Cumbria Clock Co Ltd – service of church clock £174.00 (1416)
- e) Bassetlaw District Council – N. Plan expenses £145.58 (1417)

The Clerk circulated copies of the December finances and the bank statements were available to view.

812/14 To discuss and approve the donation of the Idle Times

It was resolved by 7 votes to donate £330.00 towards the Idle Times; it was agreed to keep the pages submitted to two pages which would mean that extracts of the minutes will only be submitted and the full minutes of the meeting will be available on the village website and the notice board.

A cheque was then written out for the £330.00 (1418).

813/14 To consider and approve the precept for 2014-15

After discussion and consideration it was **resolved** by 7 votes to increase the precept figure by 1% which will result in a reduction of 72p to the residents..

814/14 Planning – To consider any planning applications, note any correspondence and decision notices

Application No: 13/01422/FUL
Location: Top Farm, Coalpit Lane, Elkesley
Proposal: Demolition of derelict farm building and erect new agriculture steel portal framed building

The councillors considered the above application and it was **resolved** by 7 votes not to make any objections.

The Chairman read out a letter from Bassetlaw District Council's Enforcement Officer regarding Plevins.

815/14 To receive any updates on the A1 Recycling Plant

The Clerk reported that no response has been received from the Environment Agency regarding questions on Enforcement issues for the A1 Recycling Plant. It was agreed that Cllr O'Brien with contact the solicitor at B.D.C and the Clerk will send another letter chasing up a response.

816/14 To receive information from the Planning Working Party

At this point the chairman suspended the meeting to allow a resident to contribute to the working party report. The meeting then reconvened.

The Chairman read out an email from Mr Plevin, it was agreed that he will draft a response to send.

817/14 Proposal to discuss fracking

Cllr Raper suggested writing to B.D.C for information on their position regarding fracking and highlight concerns Elkesley have on the process especially with regard to the water supply within Elkesley Parish, geological faults in the area and the effect on the environment and nearby rivers. It was **resolved** by 7 votes to write to B.D.C.

818/15 To receive an update from the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

Replies have been received from the residents' survey which will form the Neighbourhood Plan policies which is the next step.

819/14 To receive an update on the Local Improvement Scheme for the sports field

The Chairman reported that the work started the previous day and that it will take 3 to 4 weeks to complete; there will be a slight delay in installing the teen shelter.

820/14 To receive village reports:

Sports Field Inspection – nothing to report
Play Equipment Report - nothing to report
Highways and service faults

- **damage** Loose cows in the village was mentioned – it was agreed that Cllr Raper will speak

with the farmer.

- The Clerk has reported the drains in the village previous and was informed that roots may be the cause of some of the flooding – to chase up the current position with repair

Cemetery – nothing to report

Memorial Hall Committee – Mrs Bragg gave a report on the damage caused at the hall which is being investigated by the police and as a result; a revised hire contract has been written.

821/14 To Receive items of information for future agenda items

- Discuss commemorating the first World War
- Vandalism within the village and involvement of the police

822/14 Time and date of next Parish Council meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will be on the 18th February 2014 at 7pm in the Elkesley Memorial Hall, Elkesley.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.24pm.