

Elkesley Parish Council

I hereby give you notice of a Meeting of the Elkesley Parish Council to be held on Tuesday 15th June 2021, at 7.00pm in the Elkesley Memorial Hall, High Street, Elkesley.

All Members of the Council are hereby summoned to attend for the purpose of considering and resolving upon the business to be transacted at the meeting as set out hereunder.

For meetings up to the 21st June 2021 - Covid-19 restrictions allow 6 members of the public inside the building at any one time. Guidance suggests that members of the public may wish to write in with any questions for the meeting, rather than attend the meeting in person. After 21st June 2021 meetings should return to normal if Covid allows

Dated this 8th June 2021

W Davies

Clerk to the Parish Council

AGENDA

- 1) To receive apologies and reasons for absence
- 2) To receive and record declaration of interests from Members in any item on the agenda
- 3) To hold a 10 minute public session
- 4) To receive reports from the District & County Councillors
- 5) To approve the minutes of the meeting held 25th May 2021
- 6) To approve payments as listed and receive financial reports to date
- 7) To consider any planning applications as listed
 - Street naming consultation 21/00067/REVPRP**
 - Proposal: new name of Eshmoor for No. 84 Lawnwood Avenue, Elkesley
- 8) To receive an update from the South East Bassetlaw Forum meeting
- 9) To appoint Council representatives for external bodies
- 10) To appoint Councillor's roles for 2021-22
- 11) To consider costs for repair, removal or alternative options for the large BMX track
- 12) To arrange a village clean-up day
- 13) To receive reports and consideration of any expenses on the following:
 - a. Sports field & play area safety inspections
 - b. Cemetery
 - c. Defibrillator inspections
 - d. Highways and service faults
- 14) To receive items for information or for the next agenda
- 15) To consider time and date of next Parish Council meeting

Minutes of the Elkesley Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 15th June 2021, at 7.00pm at the Elkesley Memorial Hall, High Street, Elkesley.

Present: Cllr Skelton (Chair), Cllr O'Brien, Cllr May, Cllr Savill, Cllr Stronach, Cllr Roberts, Cllr Davis and Cllr Jefferson

Others: Mrs Davies (Clerk) District Cllr Kevin Dukes and 4 members of the public

3457/21 To receive apologies and reasons for absence

No apologies received.

3458/21 To receive and record declaration of interests from Members in any item on the agenda

No declarations of interests received.

3459/21 To hold a 10 minute public session

Comment raised re advertising Parish Council meetings on social media – the agenda is put on the Parish Council website and the village notice boards.

At this point the Chair reported that as from the next meeting; there will be an agenda item covering his Chair's report.

3460/21 To receive reports from the District & County Councillors

District Councillor Kevin Dukes attended the meeting as gave the following report:

- Cllr Dukes urged all residents to look at the current Local Plan consultation; particular the area around Ordsall and the proposed large development site
- There is also a new Master Plan out for Worksop with seven zone areas to work on
- Kevin Greaves lost his post in the last County Council elections; the Council asked Cllr Dukes to pass on its thanks for the work that he has done for Elkesley.
- Cllr Dukes has met with Kevin Greaves replacement; Cllr Nigel Turner and updated him on matters relating to Elkesley

3461/21 To approve the minutes of the meeting held 25th May 2021

Cllr Savill proposed to accept the minutes of the meeting held 25th May 2021 as a true record; this was seconded by Cllr Davis and resolved by 8 votes.

3462/21 To approve payments as listed and receive financial reports to date

Cllr Davis proposed to approve the financial reports and the payments as listed; this was seconded by Cllr Stronach and resolved by 8 votes.

- a) SLCC subscription fee £95.00 (2119)
- b) Parish Clerk April wage £231.50 (2120)
- c) Grounds Maintenance May wage £311.85 (2121)
- d) HMRC – p.a.y.e £57.80 (2122)
- e) Cllr O'Brien reimbursement for heavy duty bin bags £51.54 (2123)
- f) Information Commissioner's Office – Data Protection fee £40.00 (2124)
- g) Cllr May reimbursement of petrol for grass cutting £15.74 (2125)
- h) N Oldbury reimbursement of website domain fee £11.99 (2126)

3463/21 To consider any planning applications as listed

Street naming consultation 21/00067/REVPRP

Proposal: new name of Eshmoor for No. 84 Lawnwood Avenue, Elkesley

Cllr Roberts proposed not to make any objections; this was seconded by Cllr O'Brien and resolved by 8 votes.

Cllr O'Brien reported that she has contacted the planning authority for an update on the planning application for Gamston Airport by Thachams. The application is still pending at the moment. There is a real requirement to keep the airport and also a real requirement also to have a business that goes with it. The planning authority is waiting for Thachams to tell them how they are going to manage their business, so that the airport can do what they need to do. Once this information is received then the planning authority can make their decision.

3464/21 To receive an update from the South East Bassetlaw Forum meeting

Cllr O'Brien previously circulated copies of the notes from the South East Bassetlaw Forum meeting for the Councillors to read. No questions asked.

2465/21 To appoint Council representatives for external bodies

Cllr O'Brien and Cllr Savill volunteered to continue to attend the South East Bassetlaw Forum meetings.

Cllr Jefferson put himself forward for the representative for the Memorial Hall Committee when the new committee takes over.

Cllr O'Brien proposed to approve the above appointments; this was seconded by Cllr Stronach and resolved by 8 votes.

2466/21 To appoint Councillor's roles for 2021-22

- Cllr Skelton:** Chair, Walking routes, Community activities, Safer Neighbourhoods & Crime prevention liaison and Village entrance
- Cllr O'Brien:** Vice-Chair, Website Admin, Social Media and Idle Times, Roads and service faults, Line management responsibilities, Village information boards and South East Bassetlaw Forum
- Cllr Jefferson:** Neighbourhood planning, Football liaison, Play area inspections and Memorial Hall representative
- Cllr Stronach:** Cemetery liaison, Memorial garden, Snow liaison
- Cllr Savill:** Defibrillator checks, Idle Times, Churchyard grass cutting and South East Bassetlaw Forum
- Cllr May:** Play park bins, Football liaison, defibrillator checks, Village entrance and Churchyard grass cutting
- Cllr Roberts:** Christmas tree, Remembrance Day/lamp post poppies and Play area inspections
- Cllr Joy:** Christmas tree, Remembrance Day/lamp post poppies and play area inspections
- Mr Oldbury:** Not a Councillor but working on behalf of the Parish Council regarding the A1 garages

2467/21 To consider costs for repair, removal or alternative options for the large BMX track

The Chair and Cllr Jefferson have spoken to individual contractors regarding options for the large BMX track. The Chair gave a breakdown of the costs involved.

A specialist company quoted a repair cost of £400 per square metre which would be £20,000 minimum. To be able to guarantee the work, they would have to know what is exactly underneath the track and is it structurally sound. To achieve this then it may be that work to level the area would be required at an additional cost. The Parish Council does not have this amount of money.

Other option to consider was to remove the track completely off site. For a contractor to come in and remove it off site; this would require a waste licence which is costly and an estimated price of

£8k-£9k was received. The cost per load would be approximately £170-£180. Another contractor also confirmed it would be several thousands of pounds. No one was able to give a direct figure until they started digging down and getting the weights and measurements of the spoil to be able to have an actual tonnage figure.

Another contractor suggested removing the BMX in its entirety; but keep it on site by levelling off the ditch and use the remaining soil to build a bund. This could be used for landscaping and making a feature of something for a cost of approximately £2,000.

It was noted that some contractors didn't want to take the work on.

A discussion followed involving the members of public.

The Chair then went through the following options:

Option 1 - The Parish Council does not have £20,000 to repair the large BMX track; therefore it is not feasible to move forward with this option.

Cllr O'Brien proposed not to take this option any further; this was seconded by Cllr Roberts and resolved by the Council.

Option 2 – Removal of the track in its entirety off site at an approximate cost of £8-£9k. Again the Parish Council does not have the funds to carry out this work.

Cllr Davis proposed not to take this option any further; this was seconded by Cllr Stronach and resolved by the Council.

Option 3 – To remove the materials that make up the track and move it to another area on site; creating a bund for the price of approximately £2,000.

The Chair proposed this option which was seconded by Cllr O'Brien and resolved by the Council.

Cllr O'Brien suggested that Cllr Jefferson liaise with the contractor regarding the amount of spoil, and his availability to do the work. Then firstly, to look at how the Parish Council can achieve it, what we want for the end goal and look where it is going to be situated. Where ever it is moved to will involve the church, school and residents in the actual design; they could bring some pictures of what they would like to see or be included.

Cllr Jefferson suggested that he puts 3 designs together which might utilise the area better to create a nice area (giving the residents ideas of what it could look like); then residents can have a say on what aspects of each design they like or what they might like changing and then that could go towards to final design.

Cllr Jefferson will have to liaise with the contractor to maximise how the soil from one area to another would be moved, so if the bund is roughly 30cms high it might be that two bunds on two sites to utilise the room that is available. Cllr Jefferson will also carry out a survey.

The Chair asked residents if they knew anyone in the village who has an opinion, and if so is there any reason they have not come to the meeting; the response was the timing of the council meeting. Therefore, can those residents with an opinion put it down in a letter to be passed onto the Council?

District Councillor Kevin Dukes commented that grants are available for planting trees if it would fit in with the scheme. There are also community grants available through Cllr Dukes and also the County Councillor.

2468/21 To arrange a village clean-up day

The next village clean-up day is scheduled for the Sunday 5th September 2021.

2469/21 To receive reports and consideration of any expenses on the following:**a) Sports field & play area safety inspections**

No actions raised from the inspection.

b) Cemetery

Cllr Stronach reported the cemetery is okay; it was suggested that putting some guttering on the water butt to collect rain water until the water supply is repaired, could be looked into. Cllr May mentioned that the fire brigade may fill the water container up as a one-off.

c) Defibrillator inspections

Cllr Savill reported the defibrillators were okay.

d) Highways and service faults

- The road over the bridge has been closed off for a couple of nights to carry out repairs
- Cllr O'Brien has reported the long grass on the A1 entrance/exits which is hindering visibility
- Cllr O'Brien has reported the floating road signs in the river at Crookford. The river had been closed off at either side; however people have thrown the signs in the river.
- New bin liners required for some of the village bins; Cllr O'Brien will contact Environment Services to request some
- Cllr Savill reported that repairs have been carried out to the notice board opposite the pub

The Chair reported that anti-social behaviour has been carried out inside the pub; drinking and drug taking. If anyone sees anyone in there; please to report it to 101 as it is a derelict building. It was then noted that the pub had been shuttered up, but the garage and shed still needs to be done. Cllr O'Brien has spoken with Environmental Health and explained the problem and is waiting for a response to see if they can help in any way.

At this point the Chair gave the following statement on behalf of the Memorial Hall Committee. It is anticipated that their next Annual General Meeting (AGM) will take place around October time. What the Committee is asking is for anyone who wishes to be a trustee to approach the Chair and arrange for an interview and training before the AGM. This way, trustees will be in a position to take over as soon as possible, with a trouble free handover after the voting takes place.

If no one comes forward to be a trustee at the time of the AGM; it will be likely that the Memorial Hall will close. Notices have been put in the notice boards.

2470/21 To receive items for information or for the next agenda

- Options for a bund and to receive ideas from residents
- Standard agenda item for the Chair's report
- Parish Council vacancy applications

2471/21 To consider time and date of next Parish Council meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will be held 20th July 2021 at 7pm at the Elkesley Memorial Hall, High Street, Elkesley.