# Bilsthorpe Parish Council Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2023

**Present** Cllr R Stoneman (RS) (Chair), Cllr M Ward (MW) (Vice Chair), Cllr T Holloway (TH), Cllr F Mitchell (FM), Cllr P Pestell (PP), Cllr S Kemp (SK), Cllr H Iwanejko (HI), Cllr Cris Cooper (CC), Cllr Alan Ward (AL), Cllr Brian Jackson (BJ) and K Bell (Clerk). Cllr Bruce Laughton (BL)

## 008/23 RS opened the meeting and welcomed all attendees.

RS advised that meetings are recorded, held until the minutes are signed and approved, and then deleted.

Apologies: Cllr A Pinnick (AP) and District Cllr R Holloway (RH)

# 009/23 Declarations of Pecuniary and/or Personal Interests

**PP** declared an interest as set to be an active member of the RAGE committee.

**RS** declared an interest in the finance item in his name.

# 010/23 To approve the minutes of the last meeting held on 17th April 2023

**RS** proposed the minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting to be a true and accurate reflection of the meeting held on **17**<sup>th</sup> **April 2023**, this was seconded by **SK**, and all who were present agreed.

# 011/23 Reports from District and County Councillors

BL reported the following,

- 1. A614 x Mickledale Lane traffic light project will commence soon.
- 2. New NCC offices in Hucknall as an overall cost saving exercise.
- 3. Aims to reduce overall demand on NCC services by going out into communities to help under privileged families.
- 4. RS asked about the Eakring Rd Coop. BL will follow up.
- 5. PP asked about improvements to the bus service. BL will look at the upcoming schemes and report back.
- 6. MW asked BL for his support regarding the ongoing issue of flooding within the village. BL will support and escalate. BL advised for the PC to contact him regarding the costs of repairs to MM park.

## 012/23 Chairman's Report

Fencing complete at VH. Coronation Party was a success. Thank you note received from the scouts for the supplies BPC sent to them for their coronation event.

# 013/23 Questions from the Public - None

#### 014/23 Correspondence

1. Email from resident re street naming in honour of C & S Payton. Clerk to respond.

#### 015/23 To review the status and plans for an Incinerator

1. PP reported RAGE update. RAGE have been in contact with NCC re the imminent planning. No further updates available.

# 016/23 To consider the recruitment of a new Clerk

6 Interviews scheduled for WC 15th May 2023

## 017/23 To consider planning matters

23/00659/FUL New 4-bedroom detached dwelling and outbuilding Land Adjacent 21 Kirklington Road Bilsthorpe, NG22 8RT – Voted to support with condition that parking situation is addressed.

23/00585/HOUSE Single Storey rear extension The Ashby Oldbridge Way Bilsthorpe, NG22 8UY — Voted to support

## **018/23 Other planning matters to note - Decision notices - None**

#### 019/23 To review and consider the AGAR Form 3 for the 2022-23 audit

Clerk presented revised asset list and agreed the asset value of £ 1,504,863.22, proposed by RS seconded by TH and all who were present agreed.

Clerk presented the AGAR Form 3 for signature; this was proposed by RS seconded by TH and all who were present agreed.

# 020/23 To review and consider the use of NSDC owed buildings within Bilsthorpe

SK has been approached by residents regarding the use of both Burton Court & The Green Centre. Discussed in detail. Clerk to contact NSDC to clarify the rules of use and circulate.

## 021/23 To discuss 2023 Remembrance arrangements and to consider cost of displays

Options from the Remembrance Committee re remembrance displays for 2023. TH proposed that £ 500 be spent on materials for the 2023 display, this was seconded by RS and all who were present agreed.

#### 022/23 Finance

**Expenses for May 23** PP proposed all payments be approved, seconded by TH and all who were present agreed. **Income for May 23** PP proposed all income accurate, seconded by TH and all who were present agreed All finance documents signed.

Bank Reconciliation at 30.04.2023 reviewed and signed by RS.

#### 023/23 To consider additional savings option.

Further discussion regarding the options of an alternative savings accounts offering a higher interest rate, TH will continue the investigations into this.

#### 024/23 To consider 2023 Tree Survey costs

3 Quotes received, RS proposed that the PC move forward with quote 1.  $\pm$  150 + VAT, this was seconded by AW and all who were present agreed.

# 025/23 To consider the outcome of the feasibility study regarding the Village Hall complex.

The PC will meet to discuss this further on 5th June at Burton Court

#### 026/23 Partnership Working

#### **Bilsthorpe Together (BT)**

No update as AP attended

## **Bilsthorpe Green Spaces (BGS)**

Planters to be installed in May

## Speedwatch (SW)

2023 Speedwatch activities have commenced, SW group are meeting with Nottinghamshire Police. Tuning fork has been delivered to SW group.

## Veterans Group (VG)

Starting on 8<sup>th</sup> May, no funding needed thanks to the generosity of local business.

## 027/23 Reports from Councillors

**PP** – Increase in crime levels. SK advised that the local Inspector has suggested that we contact them if additional presence is required. Requested further crime updates become part of the PC meetings. Clerk to Action

SK – Beacon install RS proposed that we expend £ 800 + VAT for installation of the beacon post, this was seconded by TH and all who were present agreed. Donations taken during Coronation party, where are donating these to? Clerk & CC to action.

**HI** – Can the PC consider accessible equipment for the parks? HI to action further with agenda proposal for June.

**FM** – Wycar Road sign fixed.

**TH** – Nothing to report

MW – Fly Tipping, Defibs and Grant Policy Review Request

**CC** – Nothing to report

AW – Litter and dog waste bins in VH car park are both full

**BJ** – Nothing to report

#### 028/23 Clerks Report

Maid Marian Park repairs are underway, Contractor to return. Fence Compton Rd Park in Legal with NSDC. VH Business Rates NSDC conversation is ongoing. Smart meter installed in VH for Elec but not Gas. Spike nr path at Keepmoat. Civility & Respect Pledge, are we signing it? Benches and Bins on Crompton underway. BPC WhatsApp group. VH fire alarm issue now resolved, tested, and serviced for the next 6 months.

# 029/23 Exempt item staffing issues – 1 Item to discuss.

1 HR item approved by unanimous vote

#### 030/23 Date of next monthly meeting

The next meeting will be held on Monday 12th June 2023 6.30pm at Burton Court

Meeting Concluded at 9.00pm Minutes Created by K Bell – Clerk