

Elkesley Parish Council

I hereby give you notice of a Meeting of the Elkesley Parish Council to be held on Tuesday 21st September 2021, at 7.00pm in the Elkesley Memorial Hall, High Street, Elkesley.

Dated this 13th July 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 receive the Chair's report
- 4) To hold a 10 minute public session
- 5) To receive reports from the District & County Councillors
- 6) To approve the minutes of the meeting held 20th July 2021
- 7) To Consider any Councillor vacancy applications
- 8) To approve payments and receive financial reports for 31st July & 31st August 2021
- 9) To consider any planning applications or receive planning correspondence
- 10) To receive update on the emptying of village bins
- 11) To receive/consider any quotations for the hedge maintenance
- 12) 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
- 13) To discuss/consider
 - The BMX independent inspection report
 - To receive any updates on the relocation of the BMX
 - Correspondence received regarding the BMX track
- 14) Proposal to consider an offer from Starbucks
- 15) To receive items for information or for the next agenda
- 16) Time and date of the next Parish Council meeting

Minutes of the Elkesley Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 21st September 2021, at 7.00pm in the Elkesley Memorial Hall, High Street, Elkesley.

Present: Cllr Savill, Cllr Jefferson, Cllr Stronach and Cllr Roberts

Others: W Davies (Parish Clerk) District Councillor Kevin Dukes and members of the Public

3485/21 The Clerk reported that the Chair and Vice-Chair could not be present at the meeting and asked for nominations for a Councillor to Chair the meeting. After discussion, the Clerk asked for a coin to be tossed to decide the matter which resulted in Cllr Savill being put forward. Cllr Roberts proposed that Cllr Savill chairs the meeting; this was seconded by Cllr Jefferson and resolved by the Council – 3 votes.

3486/21 **To receive apologies and reasons for absence**

Cllr Skelton, Cllr O'Brien and Cllr May sent their apologies and reasons. Cllr Jefferson proposed to approve the apologies and reasons; this was seconded by Cllr Stronach and resolved by the Council – 4 votes.

It was noted that Cllr Davis will join the meeting shortly.

3487/21 **To receive and record declaration of interests from Members in any item on the agenda**

No declaration of interests received.

3488/21 **To receive the Chair's report**

The Chair was not present to give his report.

3489/21 **To hold a 10 minute public session**

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

- A query regarding the BMX track
- The Council meeting then reconvened.

Cllr Davis joined the meeting during this item.

3490/21 **To receive reports from the District & County Councillors**

It was noted that County Cllr Nigel Turner was not able to attend the meeting.

District Councillor Kevin Dukes gave his report:

- Cllr Dukes reported that he had just come from a reception for the Wampanoags community who are building a traditional house in the ground of the Retford museum; as part of the pilgrims fathers commemoration which was postponed last year. They are there all week and school visits are taking place and taking with the public. They were the indigenous people of the area that the Pilgrim Fathers landed in; they supported and helped them survive their first winter there
- Consultation on the Local Plan and Community Infrastructure Levy monies is currently coming to an end. It was recommended to look at the Local Plan around the Ordsall developments which will affect Elkesley – highways disruption which would put pressure on Jockey Lane, Gamston bridge and all those areas that are going to be built over the next 30 years – 1800 houses in Ordsall, plus a garden village at Five Lane Ends, there will be an enormous increase in traffic at this stretch of the A1
- Cllr Dukes has met with the new County Councillor and they are working together for the benefit of the local communities. Cllr Duke is keeping in contact with him over any highway issues that the Parish Council might have

- As Chair of the Bassetlaw Food Bank; Cllr Dukes reported that the charity requires a financial trustee as soon as possible if anyone is interested.

If you know of anyone that is struggling please ask them to ring the foodbank for help

3491/21

To approve the minutes of the meeting held 20th July 2021

Cllr Stronach proposed to accept the minutes of the meeting as a true record of the meeting held 20th July 2021; this was seconded by Cllr Jefferson and resolved by the Council – 5 votes

3492/21

To consider any Councillor vacancy applications

Following an interview with Mr Aaron Grounell, the Chair proposed to approve Mr Grounell for the position of Parish Councillor; this was seconded by Cllr Jefferson and resolved by the Council – 5 votes.

Cllr Grounell then signed his Declaration of Office which was countersigned by the Clerk; Cllr Grounell then joined the meeting.

3493/21

To approve payments and receive financial reports for 31st July & 31st August 2021

The Clerk circuited copy of the financial reports, bank statements and budget for 31st July and 31st August 2021 for the Councillors to view.

Cllr Davis proposed to accept the above financial reports and approve the following payments; this was seconded by Cllr Roberts and resolved by the Council – 5 votes.

- 1) R May – reimbursement for August grass cutting fuel £23.33 (2138)
- 2) Total wages & HMRC paid August £601.15 (2139/40/41)
- 3) Catchers Pest Control – dealing with Moles in August £100.00 (2143)
- 4) Bassetlaw District Council – cemetery bins for 26 weeks £162.24 (2144) (subject to clarification)
- 5) The Play Inspection Company Ltd – BMX inspections £150.00 (2145)
- 6) R May – reimbursement for September grass cutting fuel £32.76/Bin cleaning £8.00 - £40.76 (2146)
- 7) Total wages & HMRC paid September/August wages £601.15 (2147/8/9)
- 8) Harworth & Bircotes Town Council – litter pickers £30.29 (2150)
- 9) Elkesley Memorial Hall - Room hire/Post Office contribution £70.00 (2151)
- 10) Cheque 2152 – Void
- 11) Tony Halford –Toro SR4 lawnmower repair to pull start £29.45 (2153)

3494/21

To consider any planning applications or receive planning correspondence

No planning applications received.

It was noted that the Thatcham's planning application at Gamston Airport has been granted; but it is now waiting for a legal agreement.

3495/21

To receive update on the emptying of village bins

- The Chair reported that Cllr O'Brien has spoken with the District Council and they are now taking over the emptying of the litter bins in the village every Monday. If any bins are missed; can the Parish Council or public ring Environmental Services to report it.
Cllr Stronach reported that he has also spoken with the bin collector whilst he was emptying bags on the field; he suggested that BDC empty the bins every two weeks and Cllr Stronach will check the bins the following Monday and if any bins are full he will put a new bag in put the full to the side so that the bin man can collect it when he next comes.
- The Chair commented that some of the bins on the play area required attention or renewing.
- The Chair thanked everyone that attended the village clean up.

3496/21 To receive/consider any quotation for the hedge maintenance

This item was deferred.

3497/21 To receive reports and consideration of any expenses on the following:**Sports field & play area safety inspections**

- Cllr Davis reported that the play inspection was okay.
- The Chair reported that a plate on the MUGA requires pot riveting which Cllr May will do; along with some attention required to the gate facing towards Lime Tree Road.

The Chair proposed to replace the damaged bin next to the BBQ on the sports field; this was seconded by Cllr Jefferson and resolved by 4 votes.

Cemetery

- Cllr Stronach commented that the water has still not been sorted out.
- The Clerk reported to Cllr Stronach that a burial is scheduled for the 30th September; Cllr Stronach will mark the area of the next grave.
- Cllr Stronach also brought up the area for cremations plots that had been previously agreed; he suggested moving the area nearer to the bottom of the cemetery and he would mark it out. The Clerk commented that the area mentioned is possibly unconsecrated land but will check and let Cllr Stronach know.

Defibrillator inspections – The Chair reported that the defibrillators were okay.

Highways and service faults

- Cllr Stronach reported that one of the buses had not turned up for three weeks.
- Cllr O'Brien has requested the street cleaning vehicle for the top of Jockey Lane, Poulter Rise and the bridge area due to the amount of glass that is on the road. Also, VIA have been asked to remove the circular blue signs that are lying on the grass that they left after the last set of road works and diversions.

The Clerk reported that Via on behalf of Notts County Council as proposed that double yellow lines (No Waiting at Any Time) and a bus stop clearway are to be introduced on Headland Ave, Lawnwood Ave and Lawnwood Lane to help address the obstructive parking which is restricting visibility and impeding the movement of the local bus service and vehicles at these locations.

3498/21 To discuss/consider:

- **The BMX independent inspection report** – deferred to the following meeting
- **To receive any updates on the relocation of the BMX** – deferred to the following meeting
- **Correspondence received regarding the BMX track** – deferred to the following meeting

The above items were deferred as Cllr Skelton was not present to give any updates.

3499/21 Proposal to consider an offer from Starbucks

Cllr Davis reported that Starbucks would like to offer free use of their building for the Council to hold their meetings. After discussion, it was agreed to defer this item until Councillors had visited Starbucks to look at the available room.

3500/21 To receive items for information or for the next agenda

- To suggest budget ideas
- To consider offer from Starbucks

- Sports field hedge maintenance
- BMX track deferred items
- Re installing benches on the field
- To review risk assessment
- Staff matters

3501/21

Time and date of the next Parish Council meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will take place on the 19th October 2021 at 7pm at the Elkesley Memorial Hall, High Street, Elkesley.