

Minutes of the Elkesley Parish Council held on Tuesday 16th July 2019, at 7.00pm in the Elkesley Memorial Hall, High Street, Elkesley

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

Others: Mrs Davies (Clerk), District Cllr Kevin Dukes and a member of the public

3176/19 To receive and accept apologies for absence
Apologies received and approved from Cllr Savill.

3177/19 To receive and record declaration of interests from Members in any item on the agenda
No declarations of interests received.

3178/19 To suspend the meeting to hold a 10 minute public session
A member of the St Giles' Church reported that the planning application for a new glass window has been submitted for consideration – this application will be considered by the Parish Council below.

3179/19 To receive reports from the District & County Councillors
County Cllr Greaves sent in his apologies and District Cllr Dukes gave his District Council report.

3180/19 To approve the minutes of the meeting held 18th June 2019
After including the words 'Jockey Lane' Brick Yard Lane... in County Cllrs Greaves report – minute No.3161/19 – Cllr May proposed to accept the minutes of the meeting held 18th June 2019 as a true record; this was seconded by Stronach and resolved by the council 8 votes.

3181/19 To receive any updates on actions from the previous meetings

- Cllr Skelton reported that the BBQ build was well attended and went well.
- Cllr Stronach will put up some notices for the Garden Competition in September
- Cllr O'Brien has received an email from Cllr Greaves saying the County Council are no longer doing the lengthsman scheme, but Cllr O'Brien has emailed back asking when they cancelled the scheme as we had been waiting for information for a couple of months. If they have only just cancelled the scheme then we should have been allowed to join

3182/19 To consider being part of a South West Parish Forum group
It was noted that the Parish Forum group will be called the South *East* Parish Forum. Following consideration the Chair proposed that Elkesley Parish Council will be part of the South East Parish Forum; this was seconded by Cllr Stronach and resolved by the Council – 8 votes.

3183/19 To consider any planning applications

Application: 19/00815/FUL

Proposal: Replace a glass window with a stained glass window to North elevation

Location: St Giles Church, High Street, Elkesley

Following consideration it was resolved not to make any objections to the above application

Application: 19/00737/FUL

Proposal: Erect dwelling and construct new access

Location: Land at the rear of 34 High Street, Elkesley

Following consideration and following an equal vote for and against the application; the Chair's casting vote proposed that the Council does not wish to support or object to the proposed plans in their present form however, we do wish to make comments regarding the site as a whole – concerns over the parking, permanent frosted windows, lack of wheelie bin storage.

This was approved by the Councillors.

Cllr O'Brien reported that the new opening hours for A1 Recycling on Jockey Lane had been agreed by NCC

3184/19 To receive any updates on the Robin Hood Inn

The Chair reported that the owners of the Robin Hood Inn have put in an appeal against the refusal of their planning application 18/01197/FUL. The Chair will draft a response letter and circulate it around the Councillors for approval.

3185/19 To consider quotations for the BMX track

This item was deferred until the quotations have been received.

3186/19 To receive reports and consideration of any expenses on the following:

Sports field & play area inspections

- The Clerk has received the pro forma invoice for the independent playground inspection (as required by the insurance) for the amount of £195.00; this was put forward for payment below
- Cllr O'Brien requested a couple of jerry cans for the fuel for grass cutting; the Chair will check if there is still one in the garage
- Cllr O'Brien reported that the lawn mower is booked in on Friday for service; plus repairs to the steering following previous damage; a quote will be given to Cllr May prior to the work being carried out
- Cllr May reported on the play area inspections; a few small jobs are being carried out. The Clerk reported that the independent inspection will be carried out in approx. 6 weeks
- The Chair said that we have one sports field sign down on the playing field off the car park; but we need a sign as you enter the field off Brough Lane and one off Lime Tree Road. The signs are giving instructions and guidance etc. The Chair showed the wording for the signage which was approved; the purchase of the signs was approved previously.

Cemetery – Cllr Stronach reported that the cemetery is okay. One person has been requested to move unauthorised items on a grave.

Cllr O'Brien reported on the village and cemetery wheelie bins – there are four bins in the cemetery two paid for by the Parish Council which are matched by BDC for village litter at the moment and two bins at the church. Any other bins within the village that were used for PC will now not be emptied now they are consolidated at the cemetery.

Defibrillator inspections – Cllr May reported that the defibrillator inspections were ok – no actions required.

Highways and service faults

- Cllr O'Brien reported on further nuts/bolts/metal bits on the bridge road – two men have been seen sweeping the mess up in some areas but not on the roundabout or Jockey Lane
- Cllr O'Brien reported that the grass requires cutting on Jockey Lane
- Cllr Fish asked when the footpath sign will be put on Battery Lane
- Cllr O'Brien asked Cllr Dukes to chase the new signs for the bottom of Elkesley Bridge Road and Eskil Way

3187/19 To approve payments as listed and receive financial reports to date

The Clerk circulated copies of the finances, bank statements and budget figures for June. There were no variances to note.

Cllr Stronach proposed to approve the following payments; this was seconded by Cllr May and resolved by the Council.

- a) J O'Brien reimbursement for ESE Direct new H&S signs £66.24 (1923)

- b) Elkesley Memorial Hall – room hire £20, P Office £31.50 = £51.50 (1924)
- c) Grounds Maintenance July wages £287.35 (1925)
- d) Parish Clerk June wages & expenses £260.39 (1926)
- e) HMRC –p.a.y.e £58.00 (1927)
- f) Playdale Playgrounds Ltd – Annual independent inspection £195.00 (1928)
- g) Elkesley Memorial Hall – room hire £20, P Office £20.00= £40.00 (1929)
- h) Playdale Playgrounds Ltd – v.a.t missed off above cheque £39.00 (1930)
- i) N Oldbury reimbursement for MKM invoices – cement etc for BBQ £71.34 (1931)
- j) R May reimbursement for petrol – grass cutting £64.75 (1932)

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To receive items for information or for the next agenda

- A letter was received objecting to the building of the BBQ base on the sports field; all Councillors received a copy.
- An email from the Elkesley Memorial Hall Committee regarding the Councils Post Office contribution; the Chair will reply
- A resident asked if it was okay for him to continue clearing the river as he walks along it; he used to be a river baliff and he enjoys doing this. The Council is happy for him to continue
- A few people looking at the possible of putting wild flower verges on Eksil way; Cllr Greaves may have some information on this

Agenda Item – A1 Garages update

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Time and date of next the Parish Council meeting

The time and date of the next Parish Council meeting will be Tuesday 17th September 2019 at 7pm in the Elkesley Memorial Hall.