

Minutes of the Elkesley Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 15th October 2019, at 7.00pm in the Elkesley Memorial Hall, High Street, Elkesley.

Present: Cllr O'Brien, Cllr Savill, Cllr May, Cllr Stronach, Cllr Skelton, Cllr Davis, Cllr Roberts and Cllr Fish

Others: Mrs Davies (Clerk), County Cllr Kevin Greaves and members of the public

3208/19 To elect new Chair and receive Declaration of Office

After nominations were put forward, Cllr O'Brien proposed Cllr Skelton as the Chair of the Council; this was seconded by Cllr Roberts and resolved by the Council by 7 votes. Cllr Skelton then signed his Declaration of Office which the Clerk counter-signed.

3209/19 To receive and accept apologies for absence

No apologies received.

3210/19 To receive and record declaration of interests from Members in any item on the agenda

No declaration of Interests received.

3211/19 To suspend the meeting to hold a 10 minute public session

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

Items to note:

- Complaints made regarding the condition of the roads and the new road surface. Cllr O'Brien commented that Via (Highways) has been carrying out a road survey today; hopefully the points raised will have been picked up on the survey.

The meeting then reconvened.

3212/19 To receive reports from the District & County Councillors

Apologies received from District Councillor Kevin Dukes.

County Councillor Kevin Greaves gave his report.

- Cllr Greaves reported on the siting of an interacted speed sign on High Street. The Highways Manager has requested information of where the best place would be to put an interactive test run to gauge what speeds the drivers are doing; anything over 36mph that this qualifies for an interactive speed sign to be put in
- Headland parking – Cllr Graves has spoken with Highway Offers regarding possible tarmacking the grass verges on Headland Ave due to parking issues. The Officers suggested that the Parish Council applies for the work through the Nottinghamshire County Council's Local improvement Scheme. The cost of this work is too much for Cllr Greaves to put a request in for. After discussion the Chair and Cllr O'Brien will put a survey on face book for the residents in that area to be able to voice their opinion
- Overgrown weeds in front of the reflective signs on the T junction coming off Elkesley Bridge; these have not been cut back to the reflected signs are being obscured by the weeds. Cllr Greaves commented that NCC has voted not to carry out any grass cutting anymore therefore; our requested will not be carried out. Cllr O'Brien commented that there are areas throughout Bassetlaw where verges are being cut well past the 1mtr from the edge of the road and will email a list of all the areas that she is aware of to Cllr Greaves
- The Lengthsmen scheme is now closed
- Many complaints received of the very poor quality of Micro road surfacing; Cllr Greaves commented that this is not the answer but a very costly short term measure

3213/19 To approve the minutes of the meeting held 17th September 2019

Cllr Stronach proposed to accept the minutes of the meeting held on 17th September 2019 as a true record; this was seconded by Cllr May and resolved by the Council by 8 votes.

3214/19 To receive updates from any actions from the last meeting

- The dustbin on Brough Lane still requires relocating
- Cllr Davis hasn't yet spoken with the farmer

3215/19 To consider expenditure for additional/new equipment for the church yard grass cutting
Cllr May informed the Council that this information should be ready for the next meeting.**3216/19 To consider any planning applications and note any planning correspondence****Application: 19/01152/FUL**

Proposal: Conversion of existing barns to provide 3 new dwellings and erect new single dwelling with garages

Location: Manor Farm, Twyford Lane, Elkesley

Following consideration Cllr O'Brien proposed not to make any objections but would like to make comment regarding the access and egress to the proposed site; this was seconded by the Chair and resolved by 8 votes.

Application: 19/01203/FUL

Proposal: Erection of wood cabin in rear garden for use as a beauty salon business

Location: 72 Lawnwood Ave, Elkesley

Following consideration Cllr O'Brien proposed not to make any objections but felt it was a good opportunity to make comment regarding the use of water on the proposed site; this was seconded by Cllr Savill and resolved by 8 votes

Application: F/4044 (Notts County Council)

Proposal: Change of use of ancillary storage land from Notts Sleeper Company (B2) to A1 Recycling Metals (Sui Generis)

Location: A1 Recycling Metals (2014) Ltd, Alpine Industrial Estate, Jockey Lane, Retford

Following consideration Cllr O'Brien proposed not to make any objections to the above change of use planning application but would like to make comment regarding water on site and mud from verges; this was seconded by Cllr May and resolved by the Council 8 votes.

3217/19 To discuss/consider whether the Council wants to take on the running of the A1 garages

Cllr O'Brien asked if this could be deferred to the next meeting; as it would be useful for the new councillors to have all the back ground information prior to making any decisions at the next meeting. Cllr Davis proposed that the new councillors meet with Cllr O'Brien to be given the relevant back ground information; this was seconded by Cllr O'Brien and resolved by 8 votes.

3218/19 To receive reports and consideration of any expenses on the following:**Sports field & play area inspections**

Following the independent play area inspection report – the Chair proposed that £146.00 can be used to carry out repairs and a new seat; this was seconded by Cllr Davis and resolved by 8 votes. Cllr May will organise the repairs highlighted.

Cllr O'Brien proposed to insure the ride on tractor for travelling on the road for the amount of £69.42 which would be up to May 2020; this was seconded by Cllr Roberts and resolved by 8 votes.

Cemetery

The water butt requires cleaning and refilling

Cllr Stronach commented on an on-going memorial stone query

Defibrillator inspections

Cllr Savill reported on the defibrillator inspections – the battery on the bus shelter defibrillator requires checking.

Highways and service faults – already noted under public session.

3219/19**To approve payments and receive financial reports**

The Clerk circulated copies of the finances, budget figures and bank statements as at 30th September 2019. No variances to note.

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

- a) HMRC – p.a.y.e £58.00 (1947)
- b) Clerk's Sept wage and expenses £242.10 (1948)
- c) Grounds Maintenance wage £287.35 (1949)
- d) Elkesley Memorial Hall – room hire £25 Post Office contribution £20 = £45.00
- e) J O'Brien – reimbursement for bin bags £20.38 (1951)
- f) R May – reimbursement for grass cutting petrol £43.35 (1952)
- g) R May – reimbursement for play area repairs/grounds maintenance expenses £80.95 (1953)
- h) R May – as approved under minute no.3218/19 cheque for new seat and bearings £146.00

The Clerk informed the Council that she has arranged for the Remembrance Wreath.

3220/19**To receive items for information or for the next agenda**

- Storage for equipment
- Village tidy up project
- Ideas for 2020 budget
- Christmas tree event
- Co-option
- Church yard grass cutting
- Village seats
- A1 garages

3221/19**Time and date of next Parish Council meeting**

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Tuesday 19th November 2019 at the Elkesley Memorial Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.20pm.