

## EAST GOSCOTE PARISH COUNCIL

### **Minutes of a Full Council meeting held on Wednesday 9th January 2013 at 6.30pm in the East Goscote Village Hall.**

Present:

Mr R Black(Chair)

Mrs J Kyle

Mrs K Barber

Mr D Walton

Mr D Eden

Mrs Y Smith

Mrs K McCalman

Mrs S Lander

Nick Shivers

Mrs E Hewitt

PCSO Geeson

Cllr C Duffy

1 member of the public

12/207 **Apologies for Absence:** Cllr D Houseman, Mr A Hodgkinson, Mrs M Cadle

12/208 **Declarations of Interest:** Mr R Black, Mrs J Kyle, K Barber - VHMC, Outdoor Fitness, Friendship Club – Mrs K Barber, Friendship Club – Mr D Walton

**Dispensation requests** – None

12/209 **Matters arising from the Police**

PCSO Geeson informed the Council that PC Longden was no longer our beat officer, and our new beat officer is PC Richard Melody (collar number 2864). He will be based in Syston and his area will be much larger incorporating Syston and the East Goscote beat (9 villages).

The new inspector is Tim McCabe.

Crimes since 14<sup>th</sup> December amount to 3 incidents – 2 damage to Vehicles and 1 distraction burglary.

PCSO Geeson issued all Councillors with a copy of the “practical guide to crime reduction”.

He advised that he can source copies of this to give out when we carry out our crime prevention visits. Times to be arranged between Councillors and PCSO Geeson via the Clerk. The Speed Gun operation will be arranged in due course, now that we have a newly appointed PC.

With reference to the dog order, PCSO Geeson confirmed that PC Longden had visited the resident and given him 7 days to ensure that the dog is wearing a muzzle when out on the public highway. However, PCSO Geeson had visited the resident today, and still only a head leader was being worn. He proceeded to give the resident a further 10 days until 19<sup>th</sup> January, after which, if the dog is still without a muzzle, further court action will be taken. Cllr Barber felt that he should not have been given a second period to conform, as it is placing our residents and village dogs at risk.

12/210 **Matters arising from the Public (meeting adjourned)**

None

12/211 **To confirm the minutes of the last full council meeting (12/12)**

The minutes held on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2012 were agreed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings. (Including the confidential minutes).

12/212 **Matters arising from the minutes**

- 12/188 – Review of Financial Regs – the office staff have checked the regulations against the SLCC recommendation and no changes were made.

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- 12/188 - OM It is likely that a residents meeting will be held on 23<sup>rd</sup> Jan. All parish Councillors are invited to attend – the Clerk will advise Councillors of the time the meeting will be held.
- 12/195 – Parking whilst football being played – Cllr Walton visited the area on two occasions and said that parking was on the field side and personally he didn't believe it was a problem except when the bollards weren't removed. A letter will be sent to the resident from the Football Committee.
- 12/201 – Christmas Tree lights will be taken down on Saturday and a price obtained for tree works as advised by the tree surgeon.

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### **Reports from Representatives on other Committees**

#### **VHMC**

No further report. Our next meeting is February 18th.

#### **PAV/PLAYING FIELD**

The playground check was carried out by R Black and A Hodgkinson. Minor issues to be rectified. The pavilion check will be done by the end of the week.

#### **LONG FURROW**

No meeting held. The deadline for the next edition is February 1<sup>st</sup>.

The APM needs to be advertised in this issue along with articles relating to the youth committee, Christmas Committee. It was agreed that Sally Lander will start the parish council report which will be added to by the Clerk. The Chairman asked that we include an article relating to the problem of Dog fouling on the village. We will also re-advertise the Email distribution list.

**NHOOD WATCH** - Ellen Hewitt informed us of the distraction burglary and the fact that PC Longden has left our beat. She felt a bit “put out” that she was not aware of the number plate event and could not inform the Neighbourhood Watch group. Cllr Walton asked if she was being informed of issues by the police, she was not completely happy. It was agreed that Cllr Black and Walton would visit the inspector to once again raise the issue of lack of communication with our Neighbourhood Watch co-ordinator.

**TREES** – Nothing to report

**YOUTH UPDATE** – The next meeting will be held on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> Jan at 4.30pm in the village hall.

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### **Proposed Accounts**

The Council accepted accounts to the sum of £3939.91

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### **Correspondence**

- Leics legacy fund for sports clubs- The Clerk has copied all our football clubs with this information.
- £200 tree grant received
- Roma Hedge cutting- Suggestion that the hedge needs cutting yearly.
- Bollard Damage – reported to Cllr Houseman
- Complaint re Clerk – working party will discuss this.
- Offer of a fair – Next agenda
- LRALC – Training programme – Councillors were issued with the training schedule for this year and were asked to consider which training they would like to undertake, if the council agree to join the LRALC. Next agenda.
- Letter from a resident interested in becoming a Councillor when a vacancy arises

- 12/216        **Planning Matters**  
None
- 12/217        **Review of Councillor Maintenance responsibility, Play Ground and pavilion Checks 2013.**  
The areas and rotas were agreed. Copies will be sent out with the next agenda.
- 12/218        **Update on Grant for outdoor Fitness equipment**  
Cllr Barber advised that she has completed the form to the best of her ability with some sections to be completed by the clerk. Within the application she has allocated an amount of £1400 towards safety surfacing.  
Wet pour is very costly, and the matting was found to be inadequate under our other equipment. Cllr Eden suggested synthetic grass which could be hard wearing and may not be too costly. Cllr Barber will look into this. It was agreed to send off the application for the maximum amount of £10,000.
- 12/219        **To consider the purchase of new junior goals. (21 x 7)**  
The Clerk confirmed that there is a budget this year for new junior goals 21 x 7 to be used at the start of the next season (Sept 13).  
We normally purchase these from ESPO and currently the price for 6cm diameter steel is £350.00 for the goals, plus £65 for the sockets.  
Cllr Eden said that the Junior Football Club had two sets of this sized goal post. However they were not up to standard and there was a cost involved to have them standardized and checked. He also advised that the junior football teams may be required to play 9 v 9 next season and the goal post size may change to 16 x 7. This will be clarified for the next meeting.  
It was also suggested that the JFC use the Leics Legacy grant funding to apply for goalposts themselves. The deadline was 20<sup>th</sup> Feb. The Clerk confirmed that our budget for goalposts was available within this financial year and we would need to make a decision at the next meeting as to whether we would purchase or not. There is no budget next year. Next Agenda.
- 12/220        **To consider a donation to the Friendship Club.**  
The Chairman advised that a letter has been received from the Friendship club asking for a donation towards their insurance costs.  
Previously in 2011 we awarded £80.00.  
RESOLVED that we award of grant of £80 towards their insurance costs.  
Cllr Barber and Walton took no part in this vote.
- 12/221        **To discuss the Summer “Party in the Park” event.**  
Cllr Barber advised that the suggested date of August 3<sup>rd</sup> is unavailable and that the bands could offer to play for charity on August 10<sup>th</sup> free of charge with funds being raised for village charities.  
The Clerk suggested that the event be managed by the Village Hall Management Committee who are a registered charity, and are also in possession of the music licences necessary. They could then fundraise themselves.  
RESOLVED that the Parish Council ask the Village Hall Management Committee if they wish to manage this event. As the Parish Council are trustees they will also volunteer to help. Cllr Lander offered to price up a banner, and Cllr Smith offered to help run the raffle.

- 12/222        **Maintenance**  
Cllr Smith said that the front of the pub was an eyesore. This is a regular complaint and the Council need to establish who is responsible, and if it is the tenant (Prem), also can the landlord (Jelsons) enforce an order for the area to be tidied up.
- 12/223        **Items approved for expenditure**  
Proposed accounts. Grant to Friendship Club
- 12/224        **Urgent items by permission of the Chairman**  
The Council confirmed that the Christmas Committee had been “officially” thanked.  
Cllr Barber confirmed that training for speedwatch volunteers would take place on Wednesday 17th April in the Village Hall between 7pm and 9pm.

**Date of the next meeting is Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2013.**

The meeting closed at 8.10pm.

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