

## EAST GOSCOTE PARISH COUNCIL

### **Minutes of a Full Council meeting held on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2013 at 6.30pm in the East Goscote Village hall.**

Present: Mr R Black (Chair) Mr D Eden  
Mrs K Barber Mrs K McCalman  
Mrs J Kyle (part) Mrs M Cadle  
Mr D Walton

PCSO Brian Geeson Nick Shivers (Caretaker)  
3 Members of the Public Cllr Cathy Duffy

12/248 **Co-option of New members:**

The Chairman read out a letter of resignation which was received from A Hodgkinson with effect from 18<sup>th</sup> Feb.

The Chairman confirmed that the vacancy was advertised and we have received 2 letters of interest regarding the vacant position. The Co-option questionnaire will be sent out to the interested parties now that the formal letter that we may co-opt has been received. The co-option will take place at our May meeting.

12/249 **Apologies for Absence:** . Mrs Y Smith, Councillor Houseman, Mrs Sally Lander

12/250 **Declarations of Interest:** Mrs J Kyle, Mr R Black regarding the Village hall, Mrs K Barber re V Hall and Football, Mr Eden Re football, Mr Walton re Football

12/251 **Matters arising from the Public**

3 members of the public came to inform the council that the planning appeal for the Rearsby Roses site is on 27<sup>th</sup> March at 10.00am. One resident is arranging a bus to take people from the Merchants common car park to Loughborough to listen to the appeal. All Councillors were asked to attend as the residents really appreciated our support. The Chairman and Clerk agreed to attend. Information will be sent out via the village e-communication list.

Speeding – The Caretaker stated that speeding is still no better on the village.

Dog Fouling – The Caretaker said that this is on the increase. A full village audit has been undertaken by Charnwood. Notices to report offenders are being installed on all dog bins. The street warden visited Lilac Way on 12<sup>th</sup> March.

12/252 **Matters arising from the Police**

PCSO Geeson attended the meeting and updated the council on the following issues:-

NHood Watch – PCSO Geeson advised that he will inform the clerk each time he sends emails to our NHood Watch co-ordinator.

Crime since our last meeting was discussed with Councillors.

PCSO Geeson visited the Guide group to talk on stranger danger and will be visiting the school. Leaflets are being delivered around the village.

A police stall will be available at the scout fete.

PCSO Geeson stated the Community support volunteers are also being recruited. The Chairman confirmed that he was a volunteer but is very rarely called out.

He would also like to promote the neighbourhood watch scheme and increase the number of street co-ordinators (currently 20). He intends to visit current co-ordinators to ask if they are willing to continue. The Chairman offered to help with this task.

PCSO Geeson confirmed that his line manager was Sargeant Jamie Osborne should anyone wish to contact him.

Speedgun – a date has been arranged to involve the use of a speed gun shortly. The Council felt very strongly that when the speed gun is used that rather than warn the drivers, there is a no tolerance system in place and all offenders are issued with a fixed penalty notice. Once the speedwatch scheme is up and running again, we can feedback data to the police and hopefully work together to identify regular speeding offenders.

Dog Muzzle – Reported to the magistrates court

12/253

### **County Councillors Report**

A report was issued to all Councillors from Councillor Houseman who could not attend this evening.

12/254

### **Borough Councillors Report**

Councillor Duffy reported on the following issues :-

- Council tax – frozen for third year in a row
- Easter Holiday activity programme
- Re housing of village tenants
- Parking issues on Fletchers Way
- Damaged Wall by recycling area
- Surgery held on 2<sup>nd</sup> March – no residents attended
- Full report included in recent Long Furrow

The Chairman thanked Councillor Duffy for her comprehensive report.

12/255

### **To confirm the minutes of the last full council meeting (08.02)**

The minutes were agreed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.

12/256

### **Matters arising from the minutes**

- Crime Prevention dates – still to be arranged – new dates required
- OM met with residents on 20<sup>th</sup> Feb. The general feeling was that OM did not offer value for money and the manager Emma Welsh was trying to resolve issues. Unfortunately since that meeting Cllr Barber has heard nothing from Ms Welsh.
- Letter re football parking – Cllr Walton agreed to do this asap
- Pitch fees have been paid by EG Roofing
- EG Football club have not yet removed their kit from the changing rooms – the deadline is Saturday
- EGJFC – donation of 16 x 7 goals. The club have offered a donation towards 21 x 7 goals.
- Councillor training – Councillors to inform the clerk if they wish to undertake any training.
- Councillor Black attended the Chairmans training session run by the LRALC and found it very useful.
- The scouts water usage is being monitored.

12/257

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

VHMC – A meeting was held on 18<sup>th</sup> February 2013.

- The Cleaner has resigned and we are using temporary cover until September
- 55 Items were PAT tested in Jan 2013
- The Cooker and Boiler are due to be serviced and the Gas Certificate obtained.
- The annual stock inventory was presented to the committee

- Building maintenance records were discussed. A total of £3619 was spent on the building in 2012.
- Fire extinguishers have been serviced.
- Finances for the hall remain healthy.
- Hire charges have been reviewed and all charges have been increased from 1<sup>st</sup> April
- Fire Awareness training was undertaken by users and committee members
- The VHMC have agreed to run the party in the park event – the first meeting will be held in March
- Next meeting will be held 22nd April at 1.30pm.

PAV/PLAYING FIELD: -

The pavilion check will be completed by Cllr Black on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March  
The Annual playground inspection was carried out.

LONG FURROW – No report.

YOUTH COMMITTEE - No report as Cllr Lander absent.

NHOOD WATCH – Dealt with in the Police Report

TREES – No Report.

12/258

**Proposed Accounts**

The Council accepted accounts to the sum of £8503.20

12/259

**Correspondence**

A list of correspondence received was given out to all Councillors present.

- Rural Advice seminar – 16<sup>th</sup> April
- P Hickling – request to join council – letter and co-option questionnaire to be sent.
- HMRC – Real Time Information – new reporting system will be operated by the Clerk
- Fencing to the rear of the scout hut – May agenda – request more information from the Scout group.
- Thank you letter from Friendship club
- Bakers waste price increase – Clerk to research other companies
- Request for no ball games sign – County Land – forward to Leics County Council
- Letters regarding Dog faeces on the playing fields and footpath – Cllr Eden was asked to place posters around village. Charnwood have completed a full village audit and cleaned up where necessary. Broomfield School will include a piece in the next Broomfield Bulletin, Details are being given out with dog bags
- Complaints re Cleansing of cycleway and flyposting on the Warren have been forwarded to Charnwood and County Council.  
The Chairman suggested that with reference to all the business flyposting on the Warrant that a noticeboard containing all the business names be installed on County Land as you enter the industrial estate. He will ask County council for permission and investigate if this is feasible.

12/260

**Planning Matters**

P13/0290/2 – Erection of one illuminated fascia sign, one wall mounted sign, and one post sign at Renault Goscote Services, Long Furrow. Councillors considered the application and Had no objections.

- 12/261      **a)To consider the letter from the Junior FC re use of Junior Pitch for the Under 13's.**  
b) **To Consider the Purchase of 16 x 7 Goals**  
Cllr R Black advised the council that we have received various correspondence and this item will now need to be discussed as a confidential item. Standing order 17 was invoked – see confidential minute.
- 12/262      **To Consider allowing a fairground on our playing fields**  
The Council discussed this item and RESOLVED that we would only be happy to accommodate small children's rides to join in an existing pre-planned event for one day only.
- 12/263      **To consider additional fencing alongside the mound**  
Following a letter from a resident requesting the extension of the fence alongside the mound, It was agreed to offer the resident the same agreement as offered to a nearby resident. That is, that we work in partnership and the resident purchases the materials required, whilst the Council offer to carry out the installation and cover the labour costs. The vote was 6 for, Councillor Barber abstained.
- 12/264      **To review the Hire Charges**  
The Council agreed the hire charges as per the attached sheet, which will come into effect from 1<sup>st</sup> May 2013. Upon pitch application the teams will be asked to make a non refundable deposit of £50.  
RESOLVED that fees will be paid in two instalments 1<sup>st</sup> January and 1<sup>st</sup> March, along with a key deposit paid at the beginning of the season. The increased charges for non-East Goscote teams were agreed by the full council.
- 12/265      **To approve Petty cash Payments**  
Petty Cash income £150.00 and expenditure of £152.00 was approved by the Council.
- 12/266      **To consider the professional playground inspection by Wicksteed Leisure.**  
The Clerk informed all Councillors details of remedial works following the inspections. Generally the play areas were good and we were aware of what replacement play equipment was needed and have budgeted accordingly. One issue was an entrapment issue on the roundabout on Jubilee Playing fields. The Chairman will investigate this tomorrow.
- 12/267      **To arrange an industrial estate site visit.**  
An industrial estate site visit will be held by Cllr J Kyle and Cllr R Black. Mrs Duffy will attend to make notes.
- 12/268      **To arrange a meeting with Stuart Wilson of Jelsons Limited**  
Chair and Vice to attend the Annual Meeting, with Jelson Limited, which will be arranged with Stuart Wilson at his convenience. We await suggested dates from him.
- 12/269      **Maintenance.**  
Cllr Barber handed in her sheet. The Caretaker reported that the drain grid in Merchants Common is blocked – this is Jelsons responsibility  
Cllr Eden said that the fencing on the playing fields, by the industrial estate is looking shabby. The Chairman confirmed that we are awaiting prices to replace this with chain link fencing.

- 12/270        **Items approved for expenditure.**  
Petty Cash, goal posts,
- 12/271        **Urgent items by permission of the Chairman.**  
The Clerk reported back to the Council following her meeting with Charnwood Borough Council and her attendance at the SLCC conference.  
An idiots guide to Declarations of interest was given out to all Councillors.  
Charnwood residents survey – to be carried out in summer  
Common Code of Conduct for Leicestershire – to be considered by Parish Councils in May.  
Cllr Barber confirmed that she has received an email stating that our application for outdoor fitness equipment was unsuccessful.
- 12/272        **To Review employee Salaries**  
Standing Order 17 was invoked see Confidential Minute.
- 12/273        **To discuss the renewal of the contract for the Assistant caretaker**  
Standing Order 17 was invoked see Confidential minute.

The meeting closed at 8.40  
.0pm

L Pizer  
14/03/13