

EAST GOSCOTE PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of a Full Council meeting held on Wednesday 13th November 2013 at 6.30pm in the East Goscote Village Hall.**

Present: Mr R Black(Chair) Mrs Sally Lander  
Mrs J Kyle Mr Roger Merry Howe  
Mr D Walton Mr Darren Eden  
Mrs T Beaver Mrs M Cadle  
Cllr C Duffy Cllr D Houseman  
PC Carly Hall Sgt Ryan Ludlam  
Mr N Shivers

13/152 **Apologies for absence:** Mrs K McCalman, Mrs Kelly Barber, Mrs Ellen Hewitt

13/153 **Declarations of Interest:** Cllrs Black, and Kyle regarding the village hall, and Cllrs Lander, Eden regarding the Christmas Committee, Cllr Black re football. Cllr Walton re football.

13/154 **To confirm the minutes of the last full council meeting (09.10)**  
The minutes were agreed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings

13/155 **Matters arising from the minutes**  
13/145 – The precept meeting arranged for 26<sup>th</sup> November needs to be changed as there is a meeting at LRALC on 27<sup>th</sup>. It was agreed that the finance committee would meet on Tuesday December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6.30pm in the Council Offices.

13/156 **Matters arising from the Police**  
PC Carly Hall informed the meeting that there had been 4 crimes during October, the same as in 2012.  
Speed checks will be carried out in East Goscote during December and more burglary patrols will be planned leading up to the Christmas period.  
The new emergency number is now 101 although 999 is still available.  
Q. Cllr Walton asked if more crimes occur during the day than at night. This was stated by a County Council representative when discussing the part night lighting scheme. Cllr Walton asked if PC Hall could carry out a quick analysis to see if this is the case for East Goscote. PC Ryan Ludlam introduced himself as the new beat 6 Sargeant.

13/157 **Matters arising from the Public (meeting adjourned)**  
Mr Shivers asked if lorries will be using Broome Lane to access the new building site as a cut through. The planning conditions for the site will be printed off and left in the office. Lorries should not be using areas where heavy goods vehicles are prohibited.

13/158 **County Councillors Report**  
Cllr Houseman informed the parish council that he has been involved in a review of services where other authorities cascade their expertise and make suggestions as to how the £110 million shortfall can be addressed. Unfortunately there is a rising demand for services and a reduction in income. Savings have to be made to prevent the County council from going bankrupt. Unfortunately some people will be impacted upon in one way or another. Hospital to home hamper scheme – is being introduced by County Council as a new shared funding initiative with the NHS.

Q Cllr Walton asked if Cllr Houseman had any idea when services, or indeed which services may be cut that affect Parish Councils. In December we agree our precept demand for the 2014/15 financial year, so we would want to know by then, if any services are being cut, and as a parish we may need to consider financing them ourselves.

Cllr Houseman does not have this information but will ensure that this information is passed onto those involved.

The Clerk informed Cllr Houseman that we are considering a higher standard of grass cutting and may be asking permission from County Council to cut certain areas of land within the village that are highly pedestrianized.

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### **Borough Councillors Report**

#### **Cllr Duffy reported on the following issues:-**

- Charnwood Growth plan to be sent to the Secretary of State. It is likely that Charnwood will have to build 9500 new houses. Some of these are to cater for the overspill from Leicester city.
- Healthwatch Leicestershire public consultation event held in October
- Super council – idea to save £25m per year. Charnwood could be merged with other local authorities in a bid to save £25m per year.
- Loughborough fair – 13<sup>th</sup> November to 16<sup>th</sup> November
- Dog fouling – a digital map highlighting the 9 worst areas in the borough – East Goscote being one of them !
- Cllr Duffy attended the Remembrance service at St Hildas Church

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

VHMC – No further report – Next meeting 25<sup>th</sup> November.

#### **Pavilion & playing field**

The Pavilion check was completed by Cllrs Kyle and Black on 31<sup>st</sup> October – minor issues only.

Playground Checks were completed by Cllr Kyle at the end of October.

#### **Long Furrow**

The latest edition is now on our website and will be distributed throughout the village shortly.

**Nhood Watch** – No report from Ellen Hewitt who has said she has not seen the latest report, nor had any contact from our local police team.

**Trees** – Cllr Merry-Howe has completed a visual check – nothing to report.

**Defibrillator** – No action from Cllr Eden. Cllr Lander suggested that she would like to take over the project and asked that it be angendered again in February 2014.

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### **Proposed Accounts ( Nov)**

The Council accepted accounts to the sum of £6260.77 for November

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### **Correspondence**

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

- Football Committee met with J Palmer and agree that he would be the keyholder for EG Juniors. Still awaiting information re signed-on players for reduced rate.
- License to install Christmas tree lights approved
- Lines to shopping precinct – Clerk held meeting with highways inspector on 5<sup>th</sup> November about various issues – awaiting feedback.

- N Shivers attended flood warden meeting 29<sup>th</sup> October
- Jelsons have agreed to pay for the works to the Cedar tree at the front of the village hall
- LRALC – Leicestershire’s future – the Clerk, Chair and Vice Chair are attending a meeting at the LRALC on 27<sup>th</sup> November.

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**Planning Matters**

P13/2123/2 – Reduce 1 Cedar Tree (TPO) fronting village hall. – No comments as we have made the application. The clerk will ask if the works can be carried out on 7<sup>th</sup> December prior to installing the Christmas lights.

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**Recycling Update following consultation**

Mr Cannon (On our behalf) wrote to all parish council’s in Charnwood to ascertain how they dealt with their village recycling.

He wrote a briefing paper for all Councillors regarding possible ways forward with our recycling area. Mr Cannon suggested several options and it was RESOLVED that we favour option 2 as follows:-

That Mr Cannon puts his efforts into managing the existing services better by monitoring and ensuring the banks are emptied in a timely fashion. That we try to get better looking containers allocated to our village. That fly-tipping, cleansing and de-littering problems are reported more frequently to Charnwood. Mr Cannon also felt that this was the preferred option.

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**Street Naming – New Development - Suggestions**

Charnwood Borough Council have contacted the Parish Council to ask for suggestions in relation to the Former Rearsby Roses site for the naming of 5 roads.

Having consulted the founder and builder of the Rearsby Roses site, all councillors were given a copy of his suggestions.

After much discussion and working within the criteria for naming roads, the council agreed on the submission of the following 6 names:-

- Willik Way – the family name of the original business

All the below listed names relate to Roses (Charnwood to choose 4 out of the 5)

- Rose Way
- Nurseryman’s Way
- Thorn Close
- Rambler Drive
- Peace rose drive

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**Footpath Diversion – Broome Lane**

Leicestershire County Council have written with a further proposal to divert public footpath 173 at East Goscote. The area at point c on the map is land belonging to the parish council and LCC have confirmed that Network Rail would change the area to a public footpath at their expense.

The Council felt that they did not wish the footpath to go through their land as the exit would be next to the level crossing, which in itself is dangerous, but also, there is no footway only a grass verge, on this side of the road. We are therefore suggesting that the exit of the proposed footpath be around the area marked C further along Broome Lane away from the crossing.

- 13/167      **Part Night Lighting Update**  
The Chairman Mr Black, and Cllr Walton met with Paul Gibson of Leicestershire County Council and Peter Hosking on 29<sup>th</sup> October to walk the village in darkness and discuss lights which we would like to be left switched on. Following that meeting, and all the comments from residents, we are pleased to confirm that 13 additional lights will be left on unchanged. The Chairman has enquired if we can paint some of the concrete bollards in yellow. We have been informed that the bollards in question need to be listed before they can confirm this, as they may belong to another authority. If permission is granted from LCC to paint the bollards it was RESOLVED that we would approve the labour and cost of illuminous paint.
- 13/168      **Christmas Update**
- Date Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December 6pm
  - Queuing system and tickets produced by - LP
  - Article front of Long Furrow - LP
  - Leaflets to be sent out to Broomfield Children – SL
  - Lights fitted on 7<sup>th</sup> December – SL
  - Santa – local resident – approved a small gift (max £10)
  - Church Tree – Theme community groups SL and C Duffy to produce artwork
  - Risk Assessment – produced by S Riley – must be adhered to.
  - LP to try to arrange for TPO approval by 7<sup>th</sup> December
  - Discussion regarding Selection boxes or coins. RESOLVED to give out small bags of coins at a cost of £100.00 for 200 bags.
- 13/169      **Employee Matters**  
The Council received the resignation from our Admin Assistant Cathy Duffy. Cathy's last working day will be Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2013.  
The position will be advertised in the Long Furrow and the Noticeboards, with a closing date of December 9<sup>th</sup>. The staffing committee will agree terms for the new assistant.
- 13/170      **Maintenance**  
Village green – concrete to gate area needs attention as there are standing puddles. Chairman to investigate.
- 13/171      **Items approved for Expenditure**  
Christmas costs.
- 13/172      **Urgent Items by Permission of the Chairman**
- Date and time of the next Full Council meeting:**

Wednesday 11<sup>h</sup> December 2013

The meeting closed at 8.35pm

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14<sup>th</sup> November 2013