

<b>EAST GOSCOTE PARISH COUNCIL</b>
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Minutes of a full Council Meeting held on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2018 at 6.30pm in the Village Hall.

Present:	Mr J Malpus(Chair)	Mr R Merry-Howe
	Mr K Preston	Mr M Webbon
	Ms L Needham	Ms C Duffy
	Mrs S Gerrard	Ms H Measures
	Mr K Gregory	
	C Taylor Admin Assistant	1 member of the public

18/107      **Co-option of New Members**

Mr Keith Gregory applied for the position of Parish Councillor and was duly co-opted. The declaration of office was signed and the completion of the register of interest is required within 28 days.

18/108      **Matters arising from the Public (Meeting Adjourned)**

None

18/109      **Apologies for absence:** Cllr J Poland, Cllr M Gonulalan

18/110      **To report any declarations of interest:** Cllr Malpus re library, Long Furrow, Cllr Merry Howe, Keith Gregory, John Malpus, Martin Webbon – Christmas Project, Cllr Duffy Re VHMC.

18/111      **To confirm the minutes of the last full council meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> July 2018**

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

18/112      **Matters arising from the minutes**

- 18/060 – The 30mph Signs are now in place on Broome Lane
- A new noticeboard has been fitted to Long Furrow (By Garage)
- Lilac Way play equipment has been ordered
- Lamppost poppies have arrived. LCC require details of 40 lamp numbers/addresses, which we intend to attach the poppies to. They will then send us details of their requirements/licence. Cllr Gerrard agreed to obtain the lamp numbers from Chestnut Way, Long Furrow and Ling Dale.

18/113      **Matters arising from the Police**

Police have not attended meetings since April. Cllr Preston said there had been a lot of police presence around the village. We will request a report for crime over the last few months.

18/114      **County Councillors Report (Questions only)**

Cllr Poland was absent.

18/115      **Borough Councillors Report (Questions only)**

Cllr Malpus thanked Cllr Gerrard for requesting further visits by the street cleansing team to remove weeds and clean the gutters.

Cllr Gerrard said that she was still working on raising money for a village defibrillator and is holding the £100 from the village raffle.

18/116      **Reports from Reps on other Committees**

**VHMC** – Cllr Duffy reported that the roof was completed in August at a final cost of £21,448,

The hall has had a new fridge, the floor polished and the lower half of the hall has been painted.

Bookings are very healthy. The committee are investigating the costs to renew the kitchen, and also to install a suspended ceiling.

A full electrical check is being carried out in October half term.

The next meeting is on 27<sup>th</sup> September at 1.30pm.

**LONG FURROW** – Latest edition is on the website and available in the Library and local shops. The deadline for the next edition is October 15<sup>th</sup>.

**PAV & PLAYING FIELD** – Playground checks were completed by K Preston, and the Pavilion was checked by L Pizer. New padlocks are required for the height restriction and the tennis court.

**NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH** – Nothing to report

**TREES** –Mr Webbon has carried out a visual check of trees – There is a tree with a branch overhanging the footpath on land fronting the factories.

There is also a tree believed to be dying outside 9 Stroller way.

Another LCC tree, which is overhanging, is on the corner of Wayfarer Drive/Long Furrow. Cllr Gerrard is in discussion with residents of Broome Avenue regarding a tree with a TPO

**FOOTBALL MANAGERS MEETING** –Cllr Merry-Howe and the Clerk held the meeting. All conditions were approved and signed and payments made. Keys have now been handed to the football teams.

#### **SPEEDWATCH UPDATE**

The volunteer event was well attended with 14 volunteers. We are currently undertaking speed monitoring for a period of two weeks. It is going reasonably well and during the first week, 24 vehicles have exceeded the speed limit and will receive letters from the police.

#### **PARISH APP/WEBSITE**

Figures for September (year to date) are Total app downloads 700 (increased from 678 in July) and website views 4997 (increased from 4721 July)

18/117

#### **Proposed Accounts**

Approval of August and September accounts. Accounts to the sum of £4064.05 were approved by the council for August, and £6723.42 for September

18/118

#### **Correspondence**

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

- Seasonal decorations – the Clerk is finding out what tests have to be carried out to receive the seasonal decorations licence
- Healthwatch – details given to library trustees
- Broomfield Primary School – request for grants – We are seeking clarification from LRALC as to whether we can legally offer help. Cllr Gerrard has been speaking with FOBS as well.
- Parish Focus Group – 20<sup>th</sup> Sept – No interest
- External Audit completed

18/119

**Planning Matters -**

P/18/1753/2 – Two storey and single storey rear extensions – 1 The Meadows  
RESOLVED to object on the same grounds as per the previous application as there has been only minor changes

P/18/1708/2 – Replacement of existing garage with single storey side and rear extension to garage – 1 Chestnut Way. RESOLVED no objection.

Gladman – are able to appeal the refusal until February 2019.

P/18/0205/2 – 56 Hunstmans Dale – Appeal Decided – The application was part-allowed. The proposed front and side extension were refused; the conservatory to the rear was approved.

18/120

**Update re the lease with Charnwood/Scouts**

Cllr Merry Howe and Malpus have now signed the final lease agreement between Charnwood Borough Council and the Parish Council. We have paid for the agreed rent (2<sup>nd</sup> half-yearly payment) and the legal fees. We have informed the Scouts that our solicitor will now draft a lease between the Scout Group and the Parish Council and the Clerk has requested details of whom and where our solicitor should communicate. The Scouts have agreed to pay our legal fees, however our solicitor requires a written undertaking to confirm this. The solicitor will now register the legal document and send us the final signed copy in due course.

18/121

**To consider a Christmas project for the elderly of the village (Cllrs Webbon, Malpus, Merry-Howe and Gregory left the room whilst this was discussed)**

The library have written in to ask for a donation of not more than £400 to cover the cost of an afternoon tea event for residents aged 65+ on 1<sup>st</sup> December 2018. The Clerk advised that last year the event was attended by 40 residents at a cost of £229  
RESOLVED to donate up to £6 per head to the library in order to run this event, with a maximum number of 70 attendees. A full set of accounts will be required.

18/122

**To discuss the risk assessments for the street furniture/pavilion/council offices**

The Clerk confirmed that last year's risk assessment was completed by a professional. RESOLVED that Cllrs Merry-Howe and Webbon will update last year's risk assessments.

18/123

**To consider replacing the CCTV system in the Office/Village Hall**

The clerk has received a quote as follows: to replace the recording unit £250  
To replace the office camera, £100 to replace the camera at the front of the hall £125 (this will be discussed by the village hall committee) It was suggested that we investigate the possibility of CCTV at the recycling centre.

18/124

**Review of our Financial Regulations**

The Finance Committee reviewed the regulations and it was RESOLVED that no changes/updates are required at this time.

18/125

**To consider cutting the playing field hedge (top and sides)**

Our mowing contractor has confirmed that to cut the playing field hedge this year, there will be no charge as it would be included in the current mowing contract. He is unable to deliver 15 cuts as per the contract due to the hot summer. RESOLVED to ask that this work be carried out.

It was noted that the Hedge belonging to Lingdale Lodge is overgrown and we will request that they arrange for it to be cut back.

18/126

**Shire Grant Application – to consider a recycling scheme**

Mr D Cannon offered a scheme for the council to consider applying for. It was to offer

residents a bag for life, (Fairtrade cotton) and include a special edition of the Long Furrow in the bag (Spring/summer 2019). The council considered the scheme and agreed in principle. However, members would like to see examples of bags and costings for the various option for the next meeting so that they can go ahead with this application. The deadline for the application is 28.12.18.  
This will be discussed at the October meeting.

18/127

**To ratify Councillor Training**

RESOLVED to book Cllr J Malpus on the Fire and Safety training (£50 paid equally between the library and the Council) and Cllr Webbon to attend new Councillor training £40. Cllr Gregory was given details of dates for Councillor training and will check if any are suitable.

18/128

**To consider a) Disciplinary b) Grievance policies**

Defer to the next meeting.

18/129

**To consider Section 106 remaining funds – Zip wire quotes**

The Clerk issued all Councillors with the costs for a Zip wire to be installed on the mound. Three companies submitted quotes however, the siting next to the hedge on the playing field was deemed unsuitable as it gets very boggy.

The clerk will obtain a map of where the contractor intends to place the zip wire; also, we are asking the installation price be reviewed, as one is very high. (Next agenda)

18/130

**Councillor Emails – to Confirm GDPR Compliance**

The Clerk issued all Councillors with a declaration of GDPR Compliance.

Councillors signed to confirm that they would adhere to this.

Cllr Gonulalan and Gregory still to complete the form, Cllr Gerrard to create a “parish council only” email and complete the form within 7 days.

18/131

**Merchants Common Recycling Centre - options**

Charnwood have confirmed that they will be removing their recycling centre banks in September.

Options for the council to consider were:

- a) To retain the can bank which will be donated by Charnwood Borough Council
- b) To enter into an account with Smurfit Kappa to retain the Paper/cardboard bank.
- c) Enter into a contract with Berrymans for a glass bank.

The main problem of retaining the sites was the amount of flytipping, which occurs on a regular basis and would have to be attended to and cleaned up.

After much discussion it was resolved as follows:-

- The can banks be removed by Charnwood and we will enter into a new contract with a different supplier on a trial basis.
- Enter into an account with Smurfit Kappa for the paper bank. This will again be on a trial basis. The council will arrange insurance for the recycling bank.
- Enter into an account with Berrymans on a trial basis for a glass bank.
- Recycling sign to be removed by Charnwood Borough Council
- All subject to approval from the landowner, and to obtaining a tipping licence.
- The sites will be monitored, if flytipping becomes a major problem we may remove the containers.
- Any income to be awarded to the village hall (Registered charity)

18/132

**Maintenance**

Swallows Dale bus shelter – needs a good Clean

Dog fouling – is increasing on the village, the clerk confirmed that dog fouling can be reported to Charnwood [Cleaner.greener@charnwood.gov.uk](mailto:Cleaner.greener@charnwood.gov.uk)

18/133      **Items approved for expenditure**  
CCTV, Christmas Project, Padlock

18/134      **Urgent items by permission of the Chairman**  
The Chairman asked that all Councillors please respond to emails from the Clerk, particularly planning applications. It was noted that Councillors should ideally visit all houses where a planning application has been submitted to look at the effect on the street scene.

Date of next Meeting:  
**Wednesday October 10<sup>th</sup> 2018**  
**at 6.30pm in the Village Hall**

The Meeting closed at 9.10pm

L. Pizer  
13th September 2018