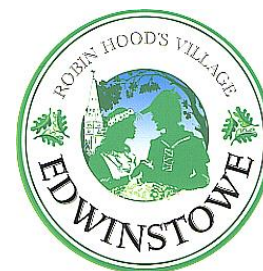


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Parish Council Meeting: 12th April 2023 at 7pm

Venue: Parish Council Chambers

Chair Celia Brooks: Minutes taken by Cllr Karen Peck

Present : Cllr Celia Brooks, Cllr Karen Peck, Cllr John Peck, Cllr Clive Parkin, Cllr Paul Peacock, Cllr Andy Freeman, Cllr Chrissie Ayre.

22/169 Welcome by the Chair

Cllr Brooks and Cllr K Peck are recording the meeting.

Agreed Cllr K Peck to take minutes.

22/170 Receive apologies and reasons for absence

Apologies: Cllr Scott Carlton and Cllr Kai Watkinson, approved unanimously.

22/171 Declaration of Disclosable, Pecuniary and Other interests.

None

22/172 Approve minutes of the full council at the Ordinary meeting held on Tuesday 14th March 2023.

Approved unanimously

22/173 Matters arising (*following NALC guidelines*)

No matters arising

22/174 Public participation, standing orders will be suspended for the duration of this section.

No members of public in attendance.

22/175 To receive any questions to Council from members.

Cllr Ayre asked for a sign saying 'No ball games, skate boards or scooters' on the new bungalow site off Abbey Road. Referred to NSDC.

22/176 To receive reports of the following committees, sub-committees and working groups;

Finance Report: Cllr Brooks sent out an update on Finance.

Current balance £150, 394. 98, but a significant amount is ringfenced for the 106 funding and grants.

Amenity Report:

Play parks: Play area inspections are taking place regularly, some glass was found on Fourth Ave play park. If antisocial behaviour is reported, CCTV cameras are now on site and can be reviewed for evidence. Discussed and agreed signage for the CCTV to be provided.

Allotments: The majority of payments have been received, the remainder will be actioned promptly. An allotment holder has reported asbestos, this is being stored safely on site until disposal is arranged.

Cemetery: No issues reported.

Sporting Groups: Cllr Peacock has met with local sporting groups to set up a sports partnership to explore sporting opportunities in the village and set up regular meetings with the section 106 working group.

22/177 Agenda

- I. Events: EPC will make an application for an NSDC grant for bunting, flags and banners and to support RSPB community events to celebrate the King's Coronation.
Book Festival: Cllr Brooks will contact Newark Book Festival group for info. Cllr Brooks reported on the NSDC High Steet Passport.
- II. Staffing Update: deferred to confidential
- III. Items forwarded from March Agenda:

Village Hall maintenance: Smoke detector discussed. Action agreed to contact the fire service for advice on siting of a smoke detector.
General Power of Competence: discussed as a future aspiration.
Car Parks: East Lane drain cover sinkage. EPC to contact NCC. Cllr Freeman will draft a letter to a resident who reported this. Cllr Freeman expressed concern that this wasn't forwarded to the council for consideration at the last PC meeting.
Mansfield Road Parking Permits: Existing permits have been renewed for three months.
- IV. Grant Application: A grant application has been received from St Mary's Church, but the PC does not have any money set aside for grants. Cllr Brooks will contact the church to this effect.
- V. High Street Passport (N&SDC): See above
- VI. Ollerton Road Allotments annual meeting: To be scheduled at the next full PC meeting.

VII. Annual Parish Meeting: Scheduled for Wednesday 10th May 2023 at 7pm at Edwinstowe Parish Office. This will be immediately followed by the Parish Council AGM, then the full Parish Council meeting.

Correspondence

22/178 NCC Bilsthorpe Incinerator: Cllr J Peck and Cllr Peacock provided an update on the proposed incinerator in Bilsthorpe. The council agreed to oppose the incinerator and agreed Cllr J Peck represent EPC on the opposition campaign group.

Cemetery Enquiry – Referred to the Amenity Committee for a site visit

22/179 **Financial Matters**

Approve extra expenditure relating to staffing matters: deferred to Confidential.

Magazine update provided by Cllr Brooks. The Council agreed unanimously to pass on their appreciation to the Parish Council Administrator for her work in increasing the advertising in the magazine.

Bank Account update: It was confirmed that Cllr J Peck is now able to make payments from the bank account. It was proposed by Cllr K Peck, seconded by Cllr Ayre that Cllr Freeman be given rights to authorise payments and the Parish Administrator be given the appropriate rights to make payments from the bank account. Agreed Unanimously.

22/180 **Financial Statement to 4th April 2023 for approval**

Approved unanimously

22/181 **Reports from County & District Councillors (verbal report; bullet points sent to the Clerk prior to meeting.)**

No reports were provided due to the forthcoming elections

22/182 **Planning Matters**

Cllrs will individually look at the planning applications and comment.

Planning approvals were noted.

A discussion took place regarding establishing a new process for responding to planning matters in future. To be discussed at the May meeting by the new council.

22/184 **Confidential Minutes saved separately**