

**MINUTES OF LITTLE EATON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**HELD ON 26.01.22 LITTLE EATON VILLAGE HALL**

**PRESENT:** Councillors S Downing (Chair), N Gascoyne, C Holmes, E Jennison-Boyle, G Thomson, D Howard, P Mulvey, Parish Clerk, Councillor A Stevenson (EBC), Councillor Hart (DCC)

**22/001 APOLOGIES**

None

**22/002 TO DETERMINE WHICH ITEMS, IF ANY, FROM PART 1 OF THE AGENDA SHOULD BE TAKEN WITH THE PUBLIC EXCLUDED**

None

**22/003 DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

None

**22/004 PUBLIC SPEAKING**

Councillor Hart reported that the DCC budget is proposed to increase by 1% for adult care and 2% general use. The PCC are looking to recruit more community police and make safer roads. The Police and Crime panel is tomorrow. EBC are still working on their budget and will be taking to committee on the 3 March. A parishioner had been in touch about traffic/parking issues. There had been 3 accidents over the last year but these had been down to driver error. Councillor Hart had asked DCC to re-visit the problem areas. Pavement parking is down to the Police and not to do with DCC or EBC. DCC can put down lines however this is likely to move the problem. Councillor Hart offered to follow up with Police & Crime Commissioner.

Councillor A Stevenson report. A Very Happy New Year to all the residents of Breadsall, Little Eaton, Morley, and Stanley. Remember that small bulky community Household waste is next on February 19, 2022. Free Christmas parking in Erewash ended on January 3, 2022 and normal charged parking has commenced. The road closure to facilitate sewer repairs on Brookside Road between Brookfields Drive and Station Road may well continue to January 22, 2022. EBC has assured Businesses in the hospitality and leisure sector that the latest Government Support Grant will be issued to eligible businesses on ratification by the Council Executive on January 12, 2022. The Council Executive will also appraise a new Covid-19 rate relief fund for businesses disrupted by the pandemic who have not previously benefited from Government funding. In addition, approval is sought from the Executive to carry out a public consultation on the Erewash Economic Development Strategy 2022 -2027. Funding is available for small Voluntary groups and Organizations via the Community Action Funding group. The email to contact is [billie.ault@communityactionderby.org.uk](mailto:billie.ault@communityactionderby.org.uk). Remember, all current events and information is available on the Council's web site

**22/005 VARIATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS**

None

**22/006 MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 24.11.21**

**RESOLVE** That the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 24.11.21 were approved and will be signed by the Chairman.

**22/007 CHAIRMANS ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None

**22/008 PARISH COUNCILLOR VACANCIES**

There had been no applications for the vacancies. They had gone in the newsletter before Christmas and recently added to the website and Facebook. It was agreed to approach the school and other community groups about the vacancies.

**22/009 REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE WORKING GROUPS – 1 X VILLAGE HALL/1 X PLANNING/1 X FINANCE**

It was agreed that Councillor Mulvey join the finance working group.

**22/010 MILLENNIUM WAY PARKING & CHRISTMAS TREE CULTIVATION LICENCE UPDATE**

There had been no further update on an alternative tree. Councillor Hart offered to follow up.

**22/011 PARISH COUNCILLOR INDUCTION GUIDE**

No further update

### **22/012 MEMORIAL TO JOHN EASTER/SCHOOL CLOCK**

It was confirmed that a family donation would be made towards the school clock. It was agreed to ask the school for a contribution for the remainder of the clock refurbishment and the Parish Council to fund a plaque. It was resolved to make the following order to Smith of Derby - Supply and install a Smith of Derby T1R movement, ARU, toller system with controller. The Family are keen to support a village sign at the entrance to the village on Millennium Way. The proposal to utilise the existing stone planter adjacent to the Millennium Eye was agreed. Councillor Mulvey to contact LEIB and organise the sign in conjunction with the family. The Parish Council agreed to fund a blue memorial plaque.

### **22/013 20S PLENTY/PAVEMENT PARKING RESPONSE FROM NEWSLETTER**

A request for feedback had been included in the newsletter and sent to all houses in the Parish. This had also been advertised on the website and Facebook. There had been a good number of responses however it was agreed that this was still a minority of the Parish. Until a significant majority were in favour due to the high costs involved it was resolved not to take this any further. It was agreed to continue to obtain feedback including using the carnival as an opportunity for more local engagement. Key areas of concern were the area at the Junction of The Town and Alfreton Road, and there is a drop kerb opposite Barry Fitch's which is an open invitation to vehicles parking and block sight lines for traffic emerging from the Town onto Alfreton Road. The area is not a parking area. There are also instances where vehicles are parked on The Town further away from the junction and block the narrow pedestrian pavement space forcing parents with pushchairs and wheelchair/mobility scooter users into the road. It was agreed to write to the Police, DCC and P Latham MP. Councillor Hart had asked R Handbury to have another look at the junction. Councillor Downing to organise some no parking signs.

### **22/014 SPEEDWATCH**

Councillor Howard had sent in the following report. Speedwatch update 3 December We conducted another Speedwatch Session on Fri Dec 3rd at 9.30am for an hour. We were mid Alf Road approx opposite Shoemakers Cottage (adj #196) We monitored both North & South traffic. Results as follows: 436 vehicles 35 over 30mph 4 over 36mph and reported. The effect of a visible and active SW group is quite dramatic, speeds dropped well below 30mph and went even as low as 20mph. Thanks to the volunteers who attended and if you would like a particular spot monitored, please let us know

### **22/015 STATE OF GRAVEYARD**

A parishioner had raised concerns about access to a family grave. It was agreed to ask Fox Landscaping to cut back the vegetation.

### **22/016 STEPS CLOSE TO DEFIBRILLATOR (LEAVES AND EDGE STRIPS MISSING)**

Councillor Mulvey to organise with the parkkeeper.

### **22/017 STATE OF CAR PARK SPEED BUMPS**

Councillor Gascoyne had obtained a quote for like for like speed ramps at a cost of £2000 plus installation. A quote for a tarmac speed ramp is awaited.

### **22/018 DOG SIGNAGE PARK**

Following an incident on the park it was agreed to organise some additional signage, approx. 3 off.

### **22/019 PARKING SITUATION AROUND THE JUNCTION OF ALFRETON ROAD (B6179) AND THE TOWN ALSO ON THE PAVEMENTS ON THAT CORNER. PROPOSAL TO REQUEST DCC IMPLEMENT DOUBLE YELLOW LINES AND YELLOW CROSS HATCHING ON THE PAVEMENT AREAS**

Discussed under item 22/013.

### **22/020 CCTV**

Councillor Gascoyne was awaiting a further quote.

### **22/021 QUEENS PLATINUM JUBILEE**

Enquiries had been received from organisations about funding and if the Parish Council had any plans to organise an event. DCC and EBC will have monies available towards events. Councillor Downing to liaise with the WI.

### **22/022 BUDGET/PRECEPT REQUEST 2022-2023**

It was resolved to accept the budget that had been circulated. It was resolved to increase the precept by 10% to £19101.50.

### **22/023 CLERKS REPORT**

- DCC Licence for bench 82017434 OITH Alfreton Road approved

### **22/024 CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION**

- Women's Institute Platinum Jubilee Knitting are the PC planning anything. Councillor Downing to follow up.
- Proposal to create Public Bridleway from Haslam's Lane, Derby to Ford Lane. No objections

## 22/025 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

It was agreed to comment that the extension is disproportionate to the plot:-

- ERE/0122/0023 Two storey side and single storey rear extensions to include an attached garage following demolition of existing attached garage and extensions 126 Duffield Road

There were no objections to the following application:-

- ERE/1121/0041 Amended plans received Demolition of existing garage and construction of new double garage with office above West Winds Eaton Bank

Objections were made on the following applications:-

- ERE/1121/0076 Listed Building consent for: Demolition of single storey side extension, creation of one off-street parking space & vehicular access, new window openings & roof lights to rear, alterations to existing openings on side elevations, erection of first floor rear extension (with rendered elevations), replacement render and roof slates to rear, adjustment of footways to provide disabled access, construction of stone faced concrete retaining walls to form outdoor amenity area, erection of black painted metal estate railings, lowering of internal ground floor, insertion of mezzanine to create first floor, and installation of stairs, internal walls and doors St Paul's Church Hall Vicarage Lane
- ERE/1121/0075 St Paul's Church Hall Vicarage Lane Change of use to one dwelling. Demolition of single storey side extension, creation of one off-street parking space & vehicular access, new window openings & roof lights to rear, alterations to existing openings on side elevations, erection of first floor rear extension (with rendered elevations), replacement render and roof slates to rear, adjustment of footways to provide disabled access, construction of stone faced concrete retaining walls to form outdoor amenity area, erection of black painted metal estate railings, lowering of internal ground floor, insertion of mezzanine to create first floor, and installation of stairs, internal walls and doors

Approved

- ERE/1121/0055 Two storey rear extension and two storey side extension 190 Alfreton Road Little
- ERE/0821/0054 Demolish existing bungalow and construct replacement dwelling 3 Morley Lane Lane
- ERE/1121/0039 Removal of existing conservatory and erect two storey rear extension 50 Barley Close

## 22/026 FINANCE

Receipts up to 20.1.22

LEWI	Bench	751.90
COIF	413600001T	39.85
COIF	301800001T	98.89
LEVH	Secretary/Treasurer contribution	547.95
Natwest	Interest	0.25

Monthly accounts circulated

**RESOLVE:** That the Accounts listed below be accepted for payment:-

Payee	Expenditure	£
L Storey	Salary/Expenses	778.71
HMRC	PAYE	88.72
P Morey	Parkkeeper	270.00
LEVH	Youth Café room hire	357.00
Fox Landscaping	Grounds Maintenance Millennium Way 7765	202.92
Fox Landscaping	Grounds Maintenance churchyard 7815	348.84
LEVH	PC room hire	68.00
L Storey	Salary/Expenses	778.35
HMRC	PAYE	88.92
P Morey	Parkkeeper	270.00
2Commune	Website	552.00
TDP	Bench	542.28
Fox Landscaping	Grounds Maintenance Millennium Way 7868	202.92
Fox Landscaping	Grounds Maintenance churchyard 7918	348.84
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>4897.50</b>

## **22/027 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

- DALC December/January Newsletter
- DCC Covid vaccines and Transport
- 20s Plenty for Derbyshire
- Little Eaton Band Concert / Carnival Queen Crowning 26.6.22
- Emergency Closure of Footpath 2 in Little Eaton
- Community News from Derbyshire County Council
- Notification of maintenance work - a38 soft maintenance/essential safety maintenance work
- EBC Minutes for Council, Thursday, 9th December, 2021, 7.00 pm
- Agenda/Minutes for Planning Committee, Wednesday, 5th January, 2022, 5.30 pm
- Police & Crime Commissioner - Budget Consultation 2022/23
- DALC New Course Booking System
- Minutes for Council, Thursday, 9th December, 2021, 7.00 pm
- Budget news - no cap on precept increase
- 20's Plenty Parishes meeting
- Covid Plan B guidance
- Agenda/Minutes for Planning Committee, Wednesday, 8th December, 2021, 5.30 pm
- Lower Derwent Flood Forum
- Wednesday 8th Dec - Police & Parish/Town Council Liaison - Zoom meeting invite
- Thank you for your email enquiring about our Little Eaton Branch Surgery.

I can confirm that the surgery is not being closed permanently, but instead we are taking the opportunity to renovate it in readiness for reopening sometime next year. We have recently replaced the carpet for new vinyl flooring which can be easily cleaned for infection control purposes and we have also replaced one of the UPVC windows towards the rear of the property.

The surgery remains temporarily closed for a number of reasons:

Healthcare settings follow separate guidance to the general public and need to follow strict isolation guidelines when an employee comes into contact with covid-19. Consequently, we are experiencing a high level of absenteeism in both clinical and non-clinical staff. With absenteeism comes additional work cancelling and rearranging appointments. If appointments are at Duffield, this is more readily managed, as patients can often be moved onto another GP's appointment list. If these appointments were at Little Eaton, then they would need to be cancelled/re-arranged which is frustrating for the patients and entails reception capacity, which currently is limited. The Little Eaton Surgery has a small, compact waiting room. Within NHS Healthcare settings, the recommendation is to maintain 2m social distancing which proves difficult in such a small area. It is possible that if the surgery was to re-open that patients would be required to wait outside until their appointment time, which, as you can appreciate, would not be ideal for elderly and ill patients.

With the new Omicron variant, there are concerns with how quickly this can spread. This, again, could have an impact of more staff being absent/isolating and, again, with the branch surgery being a small, confined area, the doctors have concerns.

This year we have had 2 GP partners off on long-term sickness at different times of the year. Locum GPs are difficult to source, so consequently appointments have been restricted.

We are hopeful that by mid-January we may be back up to being fully staffed and in a better position to consider re-opening Little Eaton. This is raised as an agenda item on a regular basis at the GP Partners' meeting where all factors are taken into consideration.

Whilst we appreciate that this is frustrating and inconvenient for many of our Little Eaton patients, we do hope that this goes some way towards explaining the current situation.

- Minutes for Council, Thursday, 28th October, 2021, 7.00 pm
- Road Closure: Duffield Road, Little Eaton
- Civility and Respect Newsletter

## **22/028 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

16.2.22 Little Eaton Village Hall 7.30 pm