

**DRAFT**  
**GREAT EASTON PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting**  
**held on the 10<sup>th</sup> April 2017**  
**in the Village Hall**  
**at 7.30 pm**

Present: Cllrs: P Long (Chairman), P Brittain, A Murdock, G Vizma and D Gibley (Clerk)

In attendance: Mr M Yates, Mr D Stewart, Mr and Mrs P Kingston and Mrs C Johnston.

**45/17. Apologies for absence.**

Cllr L Walsh, D Cllr M Rickman.

**46/17. Welcome.**

The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting, including Mrs C Johnston who had indicated her willingness to join the Parish Council.

**47/17. Declarations of Interest for agenda items.**

No declarations of interest were declared.

**48/17. Minutes of Previous Meetings**

The minutes of the 13<sup>th</sup> March were approved and signed by the Chairman.

**49/17. Matters Arising**

- **Road junction with A6003.** The Clerk reported that no response had yet been received. It was agreed to leave on the agenda. **Action: Clerk**

- **Defibrillator.** The Clerk reported that Mrs McKay had advised that BT had only just begun the 3 month review process in respect of the telephone box. It was agreed to pursue the application in tandem to minimise further delay. **Action: Mrs McKay/Clerk**

**50/17. Planning Matters.**

Cllr Brittain reported on the following planning matters:

- 16/01654/PCD - 28 Broadgate. Discharge of Conditions, 4, 6, 13-15. Remains pending.

- 17/00082/PCD - 28 Broadgate. Discharge of Condition 4 – affordable housing. Approved.

Cllr Brittain added that 2 affordable dwellings in Phase 1 will become available in Oct 2017 and a further 5 in Mar 2018. These dwellings are scheduled to be handed over to Seven Locks Housing Association for allocation in conjunction with HDC. The PC role will be primarily to assist in publicising the availability of the affordable housing, with priority being given to eligible local residents.

- 17/00015/LBC – Barnsdale House, 17 Barnsdale. Internal/external works. Remains pending.

- 17/00140/LBC – 8 Barnsdale. Alteration to outbuildings. Approved.

- 17/00120/LBC - Annex at 15 Barnsdale. Change of use to office. Approved.

- 17/ 00245/FUL - 7 Church Bank. Rear extension. Remains pending.

- 17/00248/PCD – Bybrook House. Discharge of Condition 5. Approved.

- 17/00086/FUL – Land off Stockerston lane. Erect polytunnel and outbuilding. Approved.

- 17/00252/OUT – 22 Broadgate. 8 dwellings with vehicular access. Remains pending.

The PC response following the March meeting had been submitted and HDC have advised that the number of objections will require that the outline planning application will likely be considered by the Planning Committee in June. Mr Yates has since raised a series of questions in respect of the redrawing of the red line and a revised location plan submitted by the agent for Dr Sellars,

ownership of the ditch between 26 and 28 Broadgate and the potential review of the flooding issues with the LLFA, which is in the early stages.

After discussion it was agreed that the PC would submit a further comment to address these issues and also the potential impact of the access road on a Grade 2 listed building. **Action: Cllr Brittain**

- 17/00288/FUL – 48 High Street. Two storey rear extension. Remains pending.

- 17/00271/PCD – Annex, 15 Barnsdale. Discharge of Condition 5. Approved.

- 17/00426/FUL – Bringhurst School – new nursery and 5 parking spaces – New.

- **Flood Alleviation.** The Clerk reported that LLFA had been contacted to request a review of potential flood alleviation measures and the two reports compiled by Mr Yates and Mr Christie have been forwarded. An initial response has been promised within 28 days. The Chairman added that it had been decided not to implement any ditch clearance prior to LLFA involvement and advice.

### **51/17. Financial Matters**

The Clerk/RFO reported on the following financial matters:

- **Payments.** The following payments were requested and authorised:

On Line      £233.74      LRALC annual membership fee

On line      £40              Green bin - HDC one year licence.

Afternote. Mr Stewart has subsequently kindly donated £40 for the green bin

- **Precept/Rates.** The Great Easton Special Expenses item on the rates summary relates to the costs to HDC for maintaining the cemetery.

- **Audit – 2016/17 accounts.** Mrs J Brittain has kindly agreed to again carry out the internal audit.

### **52/17. Arboreal matters.**

Cllr Murdock reported on the following:

- **Pruning works to tree applications:**

- 16/01405/DDD – 1 Barnsdale. Dying acadia tree – Approved.

- 16/02092/TPO - 20 Barnsdale. Approved.

- 17/00106/TCA - The Cuttings, Church Bank. Approved.

- 17/00355/TCA – Church Bank )

- 17/00390/TCA – Cemetary ) Treespace. Pending

-17/00391/TCA - 50 High Street)

- 17/00509/TPO – 1 Caldecott Road. New.

There were no other outstanding matters.

### **53/17. Police, Community and Heritage Matters**

Dog Fouling. The Clerk was asked to confirm that Mrs Clarke was willing to continue with painting the dog stencils as the dry weather presented the right opportunity to renew them. Cllr Murdock said she would be willing to assist if required. **Action: Clerk**

It was suggested that a notice and dog “poo” bags might be a useful resource, in particular if located at the recreation field.

**Burglaries.** The Clerk noted that there appeared to be an increasing number of local robberies and that contact might be made with the local neighbourhood police to ascertain their view. The Chairman agreed and said he would make the necessary contact. **Action: Chairman**

**54/17. Neighbourhood Plan Report.** The Chairman said that the formal six week Regulation 16 Consultation conducted by HDC is currently in progress between the 22<sup>nd</sup> March – 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2017. The next stage, subsequent to any amendments to the Neighbourhood Plan, would be the independent examination, followed by the village referendum.

**55/17. Poor's Charity**

The Chairman said he had attended the AGM of the Valentine Goodman Trust and that The Land Registry have now served notice to the adjacent owners requiring a response by 26 April. If no response is received, the final registration of Poors Land would then formally proceed. The one question of establishing the right of access remains to be clarified.

**56/17. Parish Council Website.**

The monthly newsletters continue to be well received. The two flood reports have been uploaded.

**57/17. AOB**

- **Garden Waste.** The Clerk said that the green bin licence had been obtained for Mr Wilmer to position and use for grass cuttings from public spaces.
- **Street light.** Cllr Murdock said the light at the junction of Little London and Pitchers Lane needed replacing. **Action: Clerk**
- **PC Vacancy.** The Chairman said there had been no response to the Casual Vacancy notice, which had been displayed for the statutory period and asked Mrs Johnston to confirm her wish to be co-opted. Mrs Johnston confirmed her willingness to join the PC which was received with acclaim. The Clerk confirmed Mrs Johnston had been given the necessary forms for completion.
- **28 Broadgate Flooding.** Cllr Brittain said that he was in regular contact with Mulberry and that they were reacting positively to specific concerns. Anglian water had now repaired the drainage connection and the one outstanding leak at the fire hydrant would be rectified when the final connections are made.
- **Village Hall Records.** Cllr Murdock handed copies of the Village Hall Lease and Trust Deed Tenancy Agreements to the Clerk for safe keeping with the PC records.
- **Annual Parish Meeting.** The Chairman reminded all that the May meeting was the annual Parish Meeting. The Clerk was asked to contact the Chairmen of the Village Hall and Recreation committees and the charities to request annual reports and financial statements. **Action: Clerk**

**58/17. Date of next meeting:**

Mon 8<sup>th</sup> May 2017 at 7.30 in the Village Hall – Annual Parish Meeting.

DAC Gibley  
(Clerk)

Cllr P Long  
(Chairman)