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GREAT EASTON PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting
held on the 8th May 2017
in the Village Hall
at 7.30 pm

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

In attendance: D Cllr Rickman, Mr and Mrs M Yates, Mr D Stewart, Mr and Mrs E O'Brien, Mr and Mrs Wright, Mr M Saywood and Mrs J Brittain.

69/17. Apologies for absence.

None.

70/17. Welcome.

The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting, including Cllr C Johnston, attending her first meeting since being co-opted.

71/17. Declarations of Interest for agenda items.

No declarations of interest were declared.

72/17. Minutes of Previous Meetings

The minutes of the 10th April were approved and signed by the Chairman.

73/17. 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.** Cllr Walsh said she had received the following update from Mrs L McKay: £480 had been generously donated by Mr McBride, that the three months notice required by BT formally began at 1 April and she would be contacting the Clerk to mutually complete the necessary paperwork. Cllr Brittain agreed to clarify the procedure with HDC for taking over the listed BT telephone box. **Action: Cllr Brittain**
- **Streetlamp at Deepdale.** The Clerk said he had requested LCC to confirm the timetable for replacing the lights before proceeding with requesting the light be repaired at the Deepdale junction.

74/17. Planning Matters.

Cllr Brittain reported on the following planning matters:

- 16/01654/PCD - 28 Broadgate. Discharge of Conditions, 4, 6, 13-15. Remains pending.
- 17/00015/LBC – Barnsdale House, 17 Barnsdale. Internal/external works. Approved.
- 17/ 00245/FUL - 7 Church Bank. Rear extension. Approved.
- 17/00252/OUT – 22 Broadgate. 8 dwellings with vehicular access. Remains pending.

The further PC response following the April meeting had been submitted. It is anticipated that the outline planning application will be considered by the HDC Planning Committee on the 13th June (TBC).

Cllr Brittain said he had been in contact with the relevant parties to clarify ownership of the ditch running between 22, 26 and 28 Broadgate and the redefined red line. This has been redrawn along the middle of the ditch, with Dr Sellars owning the East side down to 26 Broadgate and Mulberry Developments the whole of the west side. The consequent riparian responsibilities will be important

when the work begins with the LLFA on potential flood alleviation measures and future maintenance responsibilities in this area.

Mr D Stewart said that his understanding is that Mulberry Developments will create a Management Company to administer responsibilities on behalf of the householders, which would presumably include the appropriate responsibilities for ditch maintenance. Cllr Brittain agreed to pursue this with Mulberry.

It was noted that there would be a requirement to coordinate representation at the Planning Committee meeting once the date has been confirmed.

Action: Cllr Brittain

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

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

- 17/00669/AGC – Poplars farm, Caldecott Road – Erect agricultural store. New.

- 17/00617/NMA – 28 Broadgate – Plots 11 and 22. Minor changes. 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 had been forwarded. LLFA have acknowledged receipt but resource limitations are delaying an early meeting.

- **The Paddock.** The Chairman said that this item had been included because of village concerns at the implications of the new fencing and other activities in the paddock. He confirmed that the N Plan designation of the entire paddock, regardless of ownership, as a designated open green space remains unchanged and that appropriate fencing is within the rules for agricultural use. He added that there has been no application for a dwelling and Mr Uppal had been advised that a village meeting would be recommended to consider all the options and possible covenants before the Parish Council would consider any potential application. The Chairman added that the suggestion of linkage of a dwelling in the paddock with the Sun Inn had also been informally raised by Mr Uppal.

D Cllr Rickman confirmed that he had requested early information of any planning applications and had also requested the HDC enforcement officers to visit the paddock to review work including the recent hard standing works, to ensure no current planning regulations have been contravened. It was agreed to contact HDC Planning Enforcement with the current position with specific regards to DEFRA rules relating to the construction of “private ways”. D Cllr Rickman added that he would support a request for an extension of the statutory 21 day consultation in the event of an application, if needed.

There was further general discussion and the members of the public stated their various concerns, which included the long term legal status of covenants, the implications of any major work to the boundary wall along Moulds Lane, which should be in keeping with the conservation area including the protection of the hedging and the potential dangers of an additional vehicle access on Brook Lane.

75/17. Financial Matters

The Clerk/RFO reported on the following financial matters:

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

On Line £120.00 Four Counties – cut 2

On line £250.00 Parish magazine – annual donation. The increase of £50 was agreed.

76/17. Arboreal matters.

Cllr Murdock reported on the following:

- Pruning works to tree applications:

- 17/00355/TCA – Church Bank)
- 17/00390/TCA – Cemetery) Treespace. Approved, with a likely start at the end of May.
- 17/00391/TCA - 50 High Street)
- 17/00509/TPO – Great Easton Manor, 1 Caldecott Road. Pending.
- 17/00650/TCA – Tangleweed, Banbury Lane. New.

Cllr Murdock said she would liaise with Church Bank residents concerning the planned tree works and would coordinate a small work party to improve the maintenance of the beds and area around the Church Bank bench. Cllr Murdock added that the recent grass cut by 4 Counties had missed a specific area and agreed to liaise directly with 4 Counties. **Action: Cllr Murdock**

77/17. Police, Community and Heritage Matters

- **Dog Fouling.** The Clerk confirmed that Mrs Clarke was willing to continue with re-painting the dog stencils but it was agreed that any other actions relating to dog fouling remained with the PC. Mr Stewart repeated his offer to fund dog “poo” bags, which might be located at the recreation field.
- **Burglaries.** The Clerk noted the apparent increase in local burglaries and it was agreed that improved information and police liaison would be discussed in more detail at the next meeting.

78/17. Neighbourhood Plan. The Chairman said that the formal six week Regulation 16 Consultation conducted by HDC between the 22nd March – 3rd May 2017 has now been completed and the consultation record, together with all associated documentation, will now be forwarded to the Examiner. The NP Committee will also have sight of the consultation and have the opportunity to make a further representation to the Examiner if it so wishes. The final stage will be the independent examination, followed by the village referendum.

79/17. Poor’s Charity

Nothing further to report as update given at the earlier Annual meeting.

80/17. Parish Council Website.

Cllr Walsh noted there had been uploading problems to the website which are now resolved and requested all to contribute information to ensure the website is “current”. **Action: All**

81/17. AOB

- **Litter.** Cllr Johnston queried the arrangements for the collection of dumped litter and increase in fly-tipping. Several Cllrs noted that this is currently an individual responsibility, with HDC collecting notified larger dumped items.
- D Cllr Rickman mentioned he had circulated information concerning pothole repairs, the Big Lunch with encouragement to organise functions to note the anniversary of the murder of the MP Jo Cox and the Boundary Commission report which reduces the number of D Cllrs from 37 to 34 and an enlarged area for his ward.

82/17. Date of next meeting: Mon 12th June 2017 at 7.30 in the Village Hall.

DAC Gibley
(Clerk)

Cllr P Long
(Chairman)