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GREAT EASTON PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 14th March 2022 in the Village Hall at 7.30 pm

Present: Cllrs P Long (Chairman), C Johnston, R Wilson, L Walsh and B Hemmings. D Gibley (Clerk).
In Attendance: Mrs S Kingston, Mr and Mrs R Pocock, Mr and Mrs A Murdock, Mrs R Ash, Mrs J Lloyd and Mr R Bailey

27/22. Apologies for absence
D Cllr M Rickman and Cllr P Brittain.

28/22. Welcome.
The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting, noting that he would take items of interest to the public first.

29/22. Declarations of Interest for agenda items.
None.

30/22. Minutes of Previous Meeting
The minutes of 14th February were approved without amendment.

31/22. Matters Arising
-Mobile VAS. It was suggested that the speeding data analysis should be set at 35mph. The Clerk reported that Westcotec do not supply a side panel for the MVAS.
- **Village Trail pamphlet.** The Clerk confirmed that the amended Village Trail pamphlet remains with HDC.

32/22. Planning.
The current status of planning applications was reported as follows:
- 21/01004/FUL – 28 Caldecott Road – extend access track from Caldecott Road. Remains pending.
- 21/01290/PCD – Castle View Stables -discharge of Condition 3. Approved. It was agreed to place the approved noise management plan on the website.
-21/01864/FUL and 21/01865/LBC – 5 Barnsdale – Demolish part of wall and create 5 parking spaces. Approved.
-21/01977/PCD and 21/01978/LBC – 22 Broadgate – convert outbuildings to dwelling and other works. Remains pending.
-21/02160/FUL – 9 Barnsdale – first floor extension and garage alterations. Approved.
-22/00101/FUL – 9 Clarkesdale – erect 2 storey side extension. Pending.

33/22. Sun Inn proposal for a car park, a redesign of the War Memorial layout and a potential 4/5 house development on land behind Stone Acres on the Caldecott Road.

The Chairman circulated two outline plans of the car park/War memorial redesign and the proposed development behind Stone Acres, noting that this is the first opportunity to publicly discuss the proposals. The outline proposals have been received from Mr Uppal and the outline plans will be placed on the Parish Council website.

The Chairman stressed that both proposals have significant implications and will require detailed consultation with HDC, LCC Highways and, importantly, the wider village community through one or more public meetings and no decisions are being taken tonight or the near future.

The Chairman then invited members of the public and the PC to make any initial comments and queries, which are summarised below:

- The demolition of 5 Cross Bank, extension of west elevation of the Sun inn and creation of a circa 20 space car park.

Is the car park contingent on the complete proposal being agreed?

Would the car park be for the exclusive use of Sun Inn customers or include Sun Inn staff?

What additional measures could be put in place to prevent cars continuing to park indiscriminately around the immediate vicinity?

- Redesign of the War memorial green and revised road layout.

Although there would be no change to the Grade 11 War memorial, curtilage and surrounding railings, the History Society and many residents would naturally be opposed to any change to the existing layout. These concerns would need to be acknowledged and addressed and the potentially enhanced layout carefully explained through drawings, public meetings and displays.

- Five House development behind Stone Acres, Caldecott Road.

The development would be outside the Limit to Development (LtD) and contrary to the current Neighbourhood Plan (NP). Current and proposed developments are on course to meet the agreed housing target of 34 additional dwellings up to 2031. Although one additional dwelling was authorised on appeal, it was primarily on the basis that it was a commercial B&B, with potential economic and employment gain for the community. To change the NP would require a village referendum.

The Chairman concluded by thanking everyone for their contributions and again noted that this is the beginning of a dialogue over the coming weeks. It is understood that Mr Uppal will be submitting formal proposals in the near future.

34/22. Flood Alleviation

Cllr Wilson said the LLFA has requested his assistance in making contact with landowners prior to commencing discussions concerning potential natural flood management measures.

35/22. Financial Matters.

The Clerk/RFO reported on the following financial matters:

- Payments. The following payments, inclusive of VAT where applicable, were authorised:

-£2,192.77	LCC - LED Conversion loan. Payment 4 of 5
-£703.64	LCC – Electricity for street lighting FY 2021/22
-£480.50	Clerk’s wages Jan-Mar 22
-£120.00	PAYE
-£88.99	Repayment to C Johnston for hire of Scarifier

- Insurance. Two matters arose:

- Recreation Field additional Equipment. The Recreation Committee will advise the additional equipment insurance premium and the PC will reimburse. -

- Public Liability Insurance cover for Volunteers. The Clerk said Cllr Walsh has agreed to draft simple H&S risk assessments for the various volunteer actions i.e Brook clearance/grass cutting etc, which will satisfy the Public Liability insurance requirements. **Action:Cllr Walsh**

- Additional Funding. The Chairman has submitted a small funding application to HDC for miscellaneous expenditure to be incurred for the Queen's 70th celebrations.

36/22. Arboreal Matters and Conservation.

Pruning Works to Tree Applications

-22/00004/TPO – The Old Rectory,36 High Street. Approved

-22/00087/TCA – Rosedene, Pitchers Lane. Approved

-22/00081/TCA – **8 Stockerston Lane.** Approved

Cllr Johnston noted there are no outstanding tree applications.

- Wildflowers Update. Cllr Johnston forwarded an invoice for the costs of the hire of a scarifier, used when sowing the wildflower seeds at the top of the recreation field.

- **Welland Rivers Trust.** Nothing to report.

37/22. Community Actions and Police.

- Recreation Field. Cllr Wilson reported that he was negotiating with Wicksteed concerning the additional cost of the railings to be sited around the new equipment.

- A Walk on the Wildside. The 70 fruit trees are currently being distributed to residents and the additional funding request to LCC Shire Funding has not been decided.

- **Snow Warden.** Cllr Wilson said that he had responded to an LCC initiative to fund and equip a potential volunteer to carry out snow clearance on specific paths in the village. He noted that this might be of interest to someone and he would promote this closer to the winter months.

- Footpaths. Cllr Hemmings noted that there are financial incentives for landowners to allocate a specific area(s) for dogs to be exercised, which he will follow up.

38/22. Reports

- **Website**. Nothing further to report. Cllr Walsh said it might be timely to review and update the website and she would liaise with the Clerk. **Action: Cllr Walsh/Clerk**

- 2021 Village Perambulation. The action points, updated and listed below, were not discussed but are updated and summarised for future reference.

- Bridge repair. Obtain update from LCC **Action: Clerk**

- Brook Lane railings repairs. Cllr Wilson said that he has had recent contact with HDC concerning both the railings and the concrete supports which need "professional" repair/replacement. HDC will advise whether this is their responsibility. **Action: Cllr Wilson**

- Moulds lane – clear tree and branches obstructing the lamp. This work may require professional assistance. **Action: Cllr Johnston**

- Lounts Crescent garages disrepair. Housing Assn to be recontacted. The Clerk confirmed that an update has been requested from Platform Housing.

- White perimeter line to be painted on Notice Board base. **Action: Cllr Johnston**

- Litter Bin at V Hall. HDC has been requested to replace. The Clerk agreed to hasten.
- Cross Bank road sign. The sign needs to be repainted. **Action: Cllr Johnston**
- MVAS Poles. Reduce the height. **Action: Cllr Hemmings**

39/22. AOB

- Bank Holiday – 2-5 June 2022 for HM The Queen's 70th Celebrations. The Chairman said that planning was progressing for the 4 days of celebrations, which now include:

Thurs 2 June: Hog Roast and Lighting the beacon
Sat 4 June : Murder Mystery evening in the Village Hall
Sun 5 June : Church commemoration service followed by a Street Lunch in the High Street.

Additional events include a scarecrow competition, with more anticipated as the date approaches.

- Annual Litter Picking. Cllr Wilson said that the annual "litter picking" is now confirmed for Saturday 26 March, meeting outside the Shop at 10am. Collection equipment will be provided.

- Notice board. The PC notice board outside of the shop needs repair and Cllr Hemmings kindly agreed to investigate and rectify.

40/22. Date of next meeting

Monday 11th April 2022 at 7.30 in the Village Hall

DAC Gibley (Clerk) Cllr P Long (Chairman)