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

Present: Cllrs P Long (Chairman), P Brittain, R Wilson, C Johnston, L Walsh and B Hemmings. D Gibley (Clerk).
In Attendance: D Cllr M Rickman

120/22. Apologies for absence
None

121/22. Welcome.
Cllr Long welcomed all to the meeting.

122/22. Declarations of Interest for agenda items.
There were no declarations of interest.

123/22. Minutes of Previous Meeting
The minutes of 10th October were approved without amendment.
The Clerk suggested that in future he would circulate the draft minutes to all rather than just the Chairman and Vice Chairman for checking, before posting on the website. After 2/3 days he would then request Cllr Walsh to post the amended draft minutes on the website. This was agreed.

124/22. Matters Arising
-Defibrillator Training. The refresher training remains to be scheduled. **Action: Cllr Walsh**

125/22. Planning.
Cllr Brittain reported on the following current planning applications:
-22/01455/FUL and 22/01456/LBC – Brookside House, 9 Brook Lane – Various works incl replacing conservatory with new extension and internal works. Remains pending.
-22/01642/FUL – 12 Barnsdale Close – erect side and rear extensions. Approved.
-22/01703/FUL – 7 Church Bank – erect porch and rear ext. Pending.
-22/01785/FUL - 28 Caldecott Road – construct new access track and relocate existing stable block. Pending. Cllr Brittain explained that this is a separate new access track.
-22/01796/FUL – 22 Stokes Rise – Erect rear extension. Pending. Cllr Brittain noted that this replaces the previously submitted application following the discussion at the previous PC meeting, adding that there are no identified issues with any of the above applications.

126/22. Flood Alleviation

Cllr Hemmings reported that liaison efforts to engage with local landowners concerning identified potential flood management proposals are continuing, noting that DEFRA is having an increase in funding which might be helpful

Afternote. The LLFA has recently reported that one landowner has responded positively to a potential flood alleviation proposal. A report by the newly formed East Mercia Rivers Trust will be produced, which will be made public and the LLFA is also hopeful that some national flood funding will eventually be accessed.

127/22. Financial Matters.

The RFO reported on the following financial matters:

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

-£168.00	Portaloos hired for Jubilee
-£16.00	Grass – Inv 04/11
-£1,644.00	Artete re V hall repointing. NB £1,370 received from V hall
-£151.20	Community Heartbeat -defibrillator annual fee – Year 6
-£45.00	Open Spaces Society – annual membership fee
-£50.00	Bugler fee – for Remembrance service - £25 to be refunded by Medbourne
-£50.00	Remembrance wreath, to include annual donation to Royal British Legion

-Capital projects. The refurbishment of the Brook railings and any tree husbandry should preferably be costed, if not implemented, during the current financial year to assist with forward financial planning. **Action: Cllrs Wilson and Johnston**

- Village Perambulation. The remaining outstanding actions following the annual village perambulations on 26 July are summarised below:

- Brook Lane railings – repair and painting. **Action: Cllr Wilson**

It was suggested that Mr W Boyd might be interested in quoting.re the railings

- Shop notice board base. Paint white perimeter border. **Action: Cllr Johnston**
- V hall Litter bin to be replaced **Action: Clerk**
- Garages at Lounts Crescent. Clerk to contact Housing Assn. Cllr Johnston to provide contact info. **Action: Clerk**

128/22. Arboreal Matters and Conservation.

-Pruning Works to Tree Applications

Cllr Johnston reported on the following:

- 22/01616/TCA – 9 Brook Lane. Approved.
- 22/01814/TCA - 16 Barnsdale. Pending

Cllr Johnston had no comments on the above pending application..

- **Trees for which the PC has responsibility.** Cllr Johnston confirmed that she would obtain costings for any identified work needed for the relevant trees.
- **The mature ash tree located where the brook crosses under Brook Lane.** This tree is unhealthy and has dead branches overhanging the pavement. Cllr Johnston is seeking to clarify ownership and therefore responsibility for this tree with LCC Highways. **Action: Cllr Johnston**

-Wildflower Areas. Cllr Johnston said there is nothing further to report, noting that additional seed has been spread over the wildflower area at the Recreation Field.
-Welland Rivers Trust. Cllr Johnston confirmed, as previously reported , that the Welland Rivers Trust has now been incorporated into the East Mercia Rivers Trust,

129/22. Community Actions and Police.
- Recreation Field. Cllr Wilson said there was nothing further to report concerning the recently installed equipment. Cllr Brittain said Mr Jefferson has advised that a spare goal post net is already available, so the only requirement is to repaint the goal post.
- A Walk on the Wildside. Nothing further to report.
- Dogs. Cllr Hemmings said he would shortly circulate a proposed sign reminding dog owners of their responsibilities when exercising their dogs, to obtain PC suggestions and endorsement, prior to positioning around the village. **Action: Cllr Hemmings**.
-Footpaths from Rockingham to the Welland. Cllr Hemmings said he is continuing to liaise with Cottingham PC, as part of the proposed footpath is within the PC boundary.
- Police Liaison. Cllr Hemmings said he is making contact with the local designated neighbourhood police and will report back.

130/22. Reports
- Website. Cllr Walsh said she would be liaising with the Clerk to update the website and to change the designated email to clerk@greateaston.org. **Action: Clerk/Cllr Walsh**
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131/22. AOB
- **Elections and Boundary Commission changes.** D Cllr Rickman confirmed he would be standing at the next district election in 2023 and explained some of the implications concerning the proposed boundary constituency proposals, noting that his primary concern is that any changes reflect the rural nature of the local villages. He added that he is planning to hold monthly zoom meetings, which he will publicise.
- **Remembrance at the War memorial.** Cllr Hemmings requested that all traffic should be stopped during the immediate period up to and including the two minute silence. This was unanimously agreed.
- **Annual Parish Liaison meeting at HDC on 24 November at 6pm.** The Clerk said he had recently circulated the invitation to the annual meeting. Cllr Brittain said he would attend as he understands that the Walk on the Wildside initiative is being highlighted.

132/22. Date of next meeting
Monday 11th December 2022 at 7.30 in the Village Hall.

DAC Gibley (Clerk) Cllr P Long (Chairman)