

Egmanton Parish Meeting

Village Hall – 8.00 pm 5th January 2017

Minutes - unadopted

In attendance

Officials:- Andrew Banks, Chair. John Smith, Clerk & Honorary Treasurer.

Members of the public

Mr & Mrs J Tate, Mr & Mrs K Taylor, Mr J Bower, Mrs J Smith, Mr J Oliver, Mrs L Ellison, Mr & Mrs M Oakey, Mr C Moran,

Apologies

Mr L Outram, Miss C Tate, Mr & Mrs Allison, Mr S Bunnell

Approval of minutes of meeting held on 3rd November 2016

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved subject to a deletion “Land owned by a charity had been used in the past for vehicle parking so this may again be an option” and substitution of “Concern was expressed that the land owned by a charity could be damaged if the vehicles of workmen and their equipment were parked thereon”.

Matters arising

Regarding the completion of Phase 1 of the flood alleviation scheme (management of surface water), the Chair believed that on the evidence of recent heavy rainfall, the work had been successful. To complement the works, it was suggested by a resident that bushes on Main Street need to be cut back. The Chair reported that in relation to the solar farm, the adjacent dyke bank had collapsed in five places and had been reinstated by the TVIDB. A resident asked the clerk to enquire of the Board what had caused the damage and what remedial action was being taken. This was agreed.

In relation to siting of the speed camera, the Chair reported that Mr Mike Keeling does not, as a matter of policy, attend any parish meetings but agreed to write with his comments on present and potential action on speeding. This letter is referred to under “correspondence” below.

Correspondence

The clerk reported that he had 10 separate items of correspondence. Given this sheer volume, he would list the subject headings and anyone interested in the detail could collect the correspondence from him or receive the relevant email by forwarding. Many of the items (e.g. those dealing with consultations) had been placed on the village notice board and on the official village website.

1. New bus timetables were available at the back of the room: routes 136, 331 & 334.
2. Details had been received of the new Insurance Act effective 12th August 2016
3. “Limit on NHS prescriptions – have your say” – Schedule of sessions placed on the Notice Board. Nearest was New Ollerton on 11th January.
4. Brochures from Streetscape were placed at the back of the hall. These contained street furniture, exercise equipment and similar examples that may be of interest to enhance a village scene.
5. Letter from Mike Keeling on speed cameras. The Chair read the key paragraphs and deferred any decision pending further thought. A resident wished to prioritise Weston Road. The Chair would obtain costings for discussion on possible purchase of equipment.
6. The Notts Minerals Local Plan had now passed to Westminster.

7. A letter from the Safer Notts Board.
8. A letter on IVF consultation.
9. Application approval for tree works at the Church.
10. Progress on the Sustainability & Transformation Plan

Planning: New dropped kerb and access, Rotherwood, Laxton Road.

The Chair read details of the application and the plans were on view at the rear of the hall. Voting was 10 in favour, 1 against and 1 abstention. The clerk would report to NSDC accordingly.

Set precept for 17/18 financial year.

The clerk explained that the village must Precept and advise NSDC by 2nd February 2017 and so this meeting needed to set the figure. He explained that the current amount of £1,650 has been held for the past six years. He commended an increase for the 17/18 year of 3% being £1,700. In justification he highlighted the possibility of expenditure on a defibrillator, a speed camera and of a village sign being mooted again. The recommendation was accepted by the meeting

AOB

The clerk paid a tribute to the late Mrs Jean Marchbank who had been a regular attendee at the village meetings and had spoken frequently on issues that had arisen over the years. She would be sadly missed.

The clerk had arranged for Dik Allison to print off the bin collection dates from the village website and place on the notice board. Also he would put these dates at the foot of each meeting agenda so all residents were aware whether or not they had computer access.

The clerk listed the following expenses and asked for approval:-

- Rent for using the village hall at £15 per meeting
- Plants and compost for the winter season (the 5 planters) – £23.55 (previous estimate £30).
- Grass cutting at the tendered rate of £60 per cut (invoice paid for 6 cuts – last year at this stage of the season there had been 7 cuts)
- Annual subscription to NALC would be £70 approximately.
- Purchase of the Arnold-Baker on Local Council Administration 10th Edition at the bulk purchase price of £57.50 (retail price £92)

These expenses were approved by the meeting.

The clerk reported that together with the Chair he had completed, on behalf of the village, a “Open Space Provision and Needs Assessment”. This was an emergency action given that the form was twelve months late due to non-receipt originally. Any resident was welcome to view the contents.

The clerk had asked for village elector number statistics from NALC and he believed the following facts on size were of interest:-

- NALC had 156 members (a few large parishes such as Newark and Southwell are not members)
- There are 24 parishes smaller than Eglington
- Of the 24, only 5 are “Meetings” the rest being councils
- The largest member is Selston with 9,855 electors, the smallest is Hawton PC with 67.
- Our neighbour Tuxford has 2,023 electors
- Eglington has had a net increase in electors over the past year of 12.

A resident noted that there was no entrance sign identifying Eglington on Laxton Road. The clerk agreed to refer this to the appropriate authority.

A resident complained about dogs at two properties on Kirton Road. The clerk had heard the same complaint from other residents in recent days. He would refer the issue to the dog warden at NSDC.

The next meeting will be held on 2nd February 2017 at 8pm

The meeting closed at 8.55 pm.

Signed chair

Date