

GREAT COATES VILLAGE COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of Great Coates Village Council held at 7.00 pm in the Village Hall, Cooks Lane, Great Coates on 26th January 2017

Present:

Councillors S Thomas (chair) , Cllr Redgrift, Cllr G Mumby, Cllr K Green, Cllr Bradwell, Cllr Masterton, Cllr Cutting, Cllr Prest, J Waite (Clerk) Cllr Sutton. 7 members of the public.

1 To Receive apologies and reasons for absence, Ref 17/01

Cllr Barber.

2 To receive declarations of interest under the Localism Act 2011 – being any pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest in agenda items not previously recorded on Members' Register of Interests. Ref 17/02

All councillors expressed a personal interest in item 9.

3 To approve the draft minutes of the meeting held on 22nd December 2016. Ref 17/03

Resolved to approve as a true record of the meeting held on 22nd December 2016.

Proposed Cllr Redgrift, seconded Cllr Green. All in favour.

4 Parish matters – To receive any report or consider any appropriate action. Ref 17/04

a) Newsletter - Positive feedback given for December issue. Date for submissions for next issue is february 14th 2017. Electronic copy to be placed on website.

b) War Memorial - The planning application is still being processed .

c) Casual Vacancy - Notices are now on the boards.

5 Public Questions. Ref 17/05

Concern was raised about increased levels of crime in the area, and a request for more patrols made.

6 Committee Reports. Ref 17/06

REPORTS BY HUMBERSIDE POLICE:

Report circulated by email and read out at meeting.

REPORTS BY UNITARY COUNCILLORS:

Cllr Sutton will continue to make contact with Amvale Bus Company about empty buses coming through the village, and not abiding by the weight restrictions in place. Cllr Sutton also outlined some of the budget decisions currently being discussed at NELC.

REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS;

No reports given.

7 Clerks Report. Ref 17/07

The Risk Assessment policy has now been reviewed and was accepted by Council.

Proposed Cllr Redgrift. Seconded Cllr Green. All in favour.

The Non Payment of Hall Hire Fees Policy was adopted by Council and will come into force as from January 31st 2017.

Proposed Cllr Mumby. Seconded Cllr Redgrift. All in favour.

It was resolved that the Personnel Committee shall meet to discuss updating the Terms and Conditions of Hire and then report back to full council. The committee shall also conduct the Clerks annual review.

Council has received a letter from the Great Coates Community Group with the offer of a £200 donation towards the purchase of 6 smaller tables for use at the hall. Clerk to obtain quotes for the tables and Council will add extra funds if needed. The tables will then be added to the Hall Asset Register and become Great Coates Village Council property.

Council resolved to accept the donation.

Proposed Cllr Cutting. Seconded Cllr Redgrift. All in favour.

A letter from Great Coates Community Group outlining their concerns about how Council meetings are held has been received via Ward Councillor Sutton. Council resolved to write to Cllr Sutton to respond to the issues raised.

Proposed Cllr Bradwell. Seconded Cllr Masterton. All in favour.

An interview has been held with the applicant for the vacant post of Hall Caretaker, and the Personnel Committee have recommended that the applicant should be appointed.

Proposed Cllr Mumby. Seconded Cllr Green. All in favour.

Council resolved that tea and coffee be provided in the caretakers cupboard for their use while at work.

The issue of surface water in the car park has been raised, and the Clerk and Handyman will investigate the issue.

7 Finance. Ref 17/08

Schedule of payments was circulated and approved for payment. All payments were approved .

Proposed Cllr Redgrift. Seconded Cllr Thomas. All in favour.

A Finance Budget Briefing was held in January and the final budget and precept proposal were circulated.

It was resolved that the precept is to be set at £42,262.00 which is the same amount as last year.

It was resolved that £30,000.00 be put into the reserves account from the current account, to be ring fence for future work and repairs on the hall buildings.

Proposed Cllr Masterton. Seconded Cllr Mumby. All in favour.

One quote has been sourced with a view to putting a suspended ceiling into the hall, to help with the acoustics and also make heating the building more efficient. Two more quotes are to be obtained.

8 Planning Application Received. Ref 17/08

Application DM/1195/16/FUL. No comments or objections given.

Chair closed the meeting and moved to closed session.

Meeting ended 8.13pm

1 To Receive apologies and reasons for absence, Ref 17/09

None received.

2 To receive declarations of interest under the Localism Act 2011 – being any pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest in agenda items not previously recorded on Members' Register of Interests. Ref 17/10

None received.

3. To resolve Councils response to the Small Claims Action. Ref 17/11

Council discussed further internal action which could be taken in this matter, and the Clerk advised Council that the Clerk is still waiting for legal advice to be received from ERNLLCA.

Council resolved that no action be taken until the advise has been received.

Proposed Cllr Redgrift. Seconded Cllr Thomas. All in favour.

Meeting ended 8.45pm

**Dates of next meeting to be held at Great Coates Village Hall, Cooks Lane, Great Coates:
Great Coates Village Council – Thursday 23rd February 2017 at 7.00pm.**