

# GREAT COATES VILLAGE COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Great Coates Village Council held in the Village Hall, Cooks Lane, Great Coates, 4<sup>th</sup> September 2014

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Present

**Councillors:** S Souter Smith (Chair) Ms L Cutting Mrs S Thomas  
Mr J Masterton N Wherrett  
G Mumby

**Officers:** D Jackson

**APOLOGIES** B Winterburn Mrs L Winterburn K Redgrift

**Public** 7 members of the public were present.

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** None

**DISPENSATIONS:** None

**PUBLIC SESSION:** Yes

Mr Thomas raised a query over a piece of land with trees. The Chair replied that it would be dealt with within the minutes.

Mr Stewart raised queries over the war memorial and other issues. The Chair replied that the War Memorial would be dealt with within the minutes and that other comments were noted.

## 14/53 CONFIRMATION OF VILLAGE COUNCIL MINUTES

Meeting of 10<sup>th</sup> July 2014

**Resolved** That the minutes were approved as a correct record.

## 14/54 TO APPROVE AND ADOPT THE MINUTES OF STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL.

None

## 14/55 REPORTS BY UNITARY COUNCILLORS

Councillor Barber reported that there had been complaints of offensive smells across the whole area. NELC had investigated and it would appear that Anglian Water were responsible. The matter was now in hand.

- 14/56**                      **REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS**
- None
- 14/57**                      **FILMING OF MEETINGS**
- The Clerk produced a draft protocol covering the filming of Council and committee meetings. Recent Government directives had made it clear that meetings were now able to be filmed
- Resolved**                      that Council adopts the protocol and makes the necessary amendment to Standing Orders. In addition Council added in the caveat that “anyone wishing to film must inform Council first”
- 14/58**                      **VILLAGE HALL HIRE CHARGES**
- At the last meeting, Council adopted a finance report from the Clerk, which amongst other things, highlighted the costs of operating the village hall. Council need to consider the charges for room hire at the hall. Various proposals were made but nothing could be agreed.
- Resolved**                      that a working group will discuss the matter over the next two weeks and the Clerk will bring a revised policy back to Council.
- 14/59**                      **WAR MEMORIAL**
- Council discussed the ongoing issue of the war memorial with a view to obtaining planning permission for an alternate site.
- Resolved**                      that Council will submit a new application to relocate the memorial within the north east corner of the village hall land.
- 14/60**                      **GROUNDS MAINTENANCE**
- Council considered a proposal from a number of residents concerning the ownership of land at the rear of Allington Drive.
- Resolved**                      that the Clerk will liaise with the residents concerned and the NELC tree officer with a view to trying to agree a course of action agreeable to all parties.
- 14/61**                      **ERNLLCA**
- ERLLCA had written to Council to see if access to their advice was required by any member other than the Chair
- Resolved**                      resolved that the Chair of Personnel can have access to the service. Clerk to arrange.

Meeting ended 19.40hrs

Signed.  
Chair of Council

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