

GREAT COATES VILLAGE COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Great Coates Village Council held in the Village Hall, Cooks Lane, Great Coates, 25th September 2014

Present

Councillors: S Souter Smith (Chair); Ms L Cutting; Mrs S Thomas; Mr J Masterton; K Redgrift; G Mumby

Officers: J Mansfield

APOLOGIES N Wherrett

Public 8 members of the public were present.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None

DISPENSATIONS: None

PUBLIC SESSION: Issue raised over belief that there was increased rubbish possibly caused by local industries and exacerbated by a lack of litter picker. Chair advised the Clerk would contact local companies

14/62 CONFIRMATION OF VILLAGE COUNCIL MINUTES

Meeting of 4th September 2014

Resolved That the minutes were approved as a correct record.

14/63 TO APPROVE AND ADOPT THE MINUTES OF STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL.

None

14/64 REPORTS BY UNITARY COUNCILLORS

None. Ward Councillors had given their apologies.

14/65 REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS

2 Councillors gave feedback from their attendance at the ERNLCCA AGM

14/66 VILLAGE HALL HIRE CHARGES

The arrangement below was agreed following a discussion:.

Resolved "that a hire charge of £15 per hour is implemented for all hirers with half an hour free time either side of the hire period of 1 hour, and this is to take effect for new bookings from 1st October and for regular pre-booked users from 1st Jan 2015".

14/67 GOVERNANCE REVIEW

The Council received an update from NELC. "Stephen McGrath, Team Manager (Electoral Services and Scrutiny) from North East Lincolnshire Council, advised that the Safer and Stronger Communities Scrutiny Panel had considered an update on Great Coates Village Council's compliance with the Community Governance Review recommendations at its meeting on 18th September 2014.

At that meeting, Members agreed that recommendations 2.1 and 2.2 had been fully complied with. There remained, relating to recommendations 2.3 and 2.4, a concern about the financial sustainability of the Village Council over the next few years; and how the new parish councillors' induction and future further councillors' training and development would be provided and funded.

Furthermore, the Panel agreed that all actions on ERNLLCA's action plan had either been completed, were being complied with or plans were in place to address them.

Upon being put to the vote, the Panel agreed the following recommendation:

"That subject to Great Coates Village Council demonstrating financial sustainability over the next few years and providing reassurance over Parish Councillor training, Full Council [at North East Lincolnshire Council] be asked to confirm that the requirements of the Community Governance Review have been complied with".

Resolved That the feedback be noted.

14/68 REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

The Council considered appropriate arrangements for this day

Resolved That the Clerk organise a wreath.

14/69 CHRISTMAS

The Clerk considered plans for the festive season.

Resolved That the Council would support the request from Great Coates Community Group to provide a tree and party (6 Dec) for the village. The Clerk to arrange the refund of £110 by cheque.

14/70 VILLAGE HALL INSURANCE

The Council were updated on the outstanding invoice

Resolved The Clerk will organise payment of the invoice

14/71

NELC REVIEW OF POLLING DISTRICTS AND PLANS

The Council received a consultative e-mail from NELC

Resolved

That the existing arrangements were satisfactory and accessible. The Clerk to respond as required to NELC

Meeting ended 19.35hrs

Signed.
Chair of Council
