

**Minutes of the Great Coates Village Council held at 7.00 pm  
at the Village Hall, Cooks Lane, Great Coates, Grimsby, DN37 9NW on 28 April 2022**

Present: Cllr K. Green (Chair), Cllr C. Dunn, Cllr L. Cutting, Cllr M. Stewart, Cllr K. Redgrift, Cllr R. Lawrance,  
In Attendance: C. Thomas (Clerk), Cllr C. Procter (NELC),  
Members of public present: 3

- 1 Public Session - Ref: 1644**  
No questions were raised.
- 2 Reports by Unitary Councillors to include updates on items raised at the last meeting - Ref: 1645**  
Cllr Procter advised that the resurfacing of the A180 had been delayed until 2024 with barrier and bridge works taking priority.
- 3 Reports by Humberside Police - Ref: 1646**  
PCSO Ekley and PCSO Widgery gave a report and explanation as to the crimes reported.  
There had been 5 offences in Great Coates being 2xpublic order, 1xtheft of pedal cycle, 1xattempted burglary, 1xtheft  
Cllr Dunn proposed a vote of thanks for the continued excellent work and in particular reduction of motor cycle offences within the village.
- 4 To receive apologies and reasons for absence - Ref: 1647**  
Cllr Masterton and Barber
- 5 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: 1648**  
None
- 6 To approve draft minutes of the Village Council Meeting held on 24/03/22 - Ref: 1649**  
It was resolved to approve the minutes as a true record  
Proposed: Cllr C. Dunn Seconded: Cllr K. Green For: 5 Against: 1 Abstain: 0
- 7 To approve draft minutes of the Village Council Meeting (closed session) held 24/03/22 - Ref: 1650**  
It was resolved to approve the minutes as a true record.  
Proposed: Cllr C. Dunn Seconded: Cllr L. Cutting For: 5 Against: 1 Abstain: 0
- 8 Finance Report - Ref: 1651**
  - a) Financial report for year ending 31/03/22 - Ref: 1652**  
The Clerk had previously circulated the Accounting Statements for the year ending 31st March 2022.  
It was resolved to approve these as a true record.  
Proposed: Cllr C. Dunn Seconded: Cllr K. Green For: 5 Against: 1 Abstain: 0
  - b) To approve Schedule of payments - Ref: 1653**  
It was resolved to approve the schedule of payments totalling £23640.42  
Proposed: Cllr K. Green Seconded: Cllr C. Dunn For: 5 Against: 1 Abstain: 0
  - c) To approve Internal Auditors Report - Ref: 1654**  
It was resolved to approve the Internal Auditors report  
Proposed: Cllr L. Cutting Seconded: Cllr C. Dunn For: 5 Against: 0 Abstain: 1
  - d) To approve Annual Governance Statement 2021/22 - Ref: 1655**  
It was resolved to approve the Annual Governance Statement 2021/22  
Proposed: Cllr C. Dunn Seconded: Cllr M. Stewart For: 5 Against: 0 Abstain: 1
  - e) To approve Annual Governance Accounting Statements 2021/22 - Ref: 1656**

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It was resolved to approve the Annual Accounting Statements 2021/22

Proposed: Cllr C. Dunn Seconder: Cllr L. Cutting All in favour

**9 To receive any reports from external organisations - Ref: 1657**

There were no additional reports.

**10 Reports from representatives to external organisations - Ref: 1658**

**a) Freshney Forward - Ref: 1659**

No report was available.

**11 Reports from committees of the Village Council - Ref: 1660**

**a) Personnel Committee - Ref: 1661**

Cllr Green advised that a further caretaker had now been employed taking us up to the full compliment of 3.

**b) Village Events Committee - Ref: 1662**

Cllr Green confirmed that the Casino Evening had been a success with many favourable comments. The final total raised was £252 for the Chairmans Charity.

The Clerk confirmed the Easter Weekend of Fun had also been a huge success with visitors from Scartho, Willows and Wybers coming into the village to do the treasure hunt. 60 eggs were delivered to children in the village. Feedback from residents and visitors was very positive.

**c) Great Coates in Bloom Committee - Ref: 1663**

Cllr Stewart provided an update in that the In Bloom Group had put into position along The Avenue the 3rd pony cart. This was kindly sponsored by HSH Coldstores.

68 trees had now been planted within the village with a further 2 to be planted bringing the total to 70 resulting in Great Coates being part of the Queens Canopy project.

Students at Cambridge Park Academy had started working within the hall grounds and this would continue every week.

The Group had now adopted Great Coates Railway Station and working with East Midlands Railway who was also providing grant funding.

**12 Parish Matters - To receive any report or consider any appropriate action - Ref: 1664**

**a) Village Council Magazine - Ref: 1665**

The next edition would be June 2022 with closing date for submissions being 20th May.

**b) Increase in minimum wage - Ref: 1666**

It was resolved to increase the Caretakers/Hall Wardens wages in line with the National Pay Award. Basic pay would increase to £9.68 / hour, late night rate would be £14.23 and bank holiday £19.36 / hour.

Proposed: Cllr C. Dunn Seconder: Cllr K. Green All in favour

**c) To rescind resolution 1518 made on 27th January 2022 (Adopt Standing Orders)  
Policy Review - Standing Orders - Ref: 1667**

As 3 notices to rescind had been received this resolution was rescinded.

It was resolved to adopt the revised Standing Orders.

Proposed: Cllr C. Dunn Seconder: Cllr K. Green For: 5 Against: 1 Abstain: 0

**d) Village Hall electrical installation certificate - Ref: 1668**

This matter was deferred.

**e) Venue in the Village logo - Ref: 1669**

As not all councillors were present it was agreed for the Clerk to circulate the visuals to all councillors who would select 2 favourites to be further discussed at the next meeting.

**f) Outside drain at Village Hall - Ref: 1670**

It was resolved to appoint Company B to undertake the work at a cost of £110.

Proposed: Cllr K. Green Seconder: Cllr C. Dunn For: 4 Against: 1 Abstain: 1

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**g) Review Tracking Report - Ref: 1671**

**14070 - Cooks Lane**

Preliminary work had been undertaken along Cooks Lane with a surface dressing planned for 11th May.

**18569 - Defibrillator**

East Midlands Railway was still working on the electrical work.

**18688 - Village Signs**

This would be placed on hold for the time being.

**18689 - In Bloom Storage Area**

Quotes were being obtained with a decision of funding likely in the next month.

**19055 - 20 mph Speed Limit In Village**

This was in consultation with NELC with a decision expected Aug/Sep 22

**13 Clerk's Report - Correspondence Received - Ref: 1672**

None received

**14 Planning applications and decisions received - Ref: 1673**

**Planning: DM / 0317 / 22 - 78 Station Road - Erect two storey extension (20344) - Ref: 1674**

No objections

**Planning : DM / 0097 /22 / FUL - John WhitgStatement 2021/ift Academy - Erection of four single storey extensions(19828) - Ref: 1676**

No objections

**15 Next meeting will be Thursday 26/05/22 at 7 pm (Annual Council Meeting) - Ref: 1677**

Items for the agenda by 18/05/22

Meeting closed at 8.10 pm