#### **Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting**

The monthly meeting of the Parish Council was held on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at 7.15pm at Everton Village Hall. Present were: Councillors: S Wiles (Chair), R Troop, B Upton, H Spink, M Wright, D Chapman, M Mahoney and Cty. Cllr. Taylor (part)

# **Public Session**

Public: 0

Public discussion: None

#### District Cllr. Watson

Cllr. Watson forwarded the following report:

**COVID-19**: 51 active cases in DRI and Bassetlaw Hospitals this week, with none in ITU. Fit and healthy young people who are unvaccinated are still being badly affected. Flu is settling down: only 1 inpatient now.

**STEP reactor** project: first 3 employees now in post.

**Local Council Elections** 4th May: A reminder that voters will need photo ID: if they do not have a driving license / passport etc a Voter Authority Certificate can be obtained from BDC (<a href="https://www.bassetlaw.gov.uk/council-and-democracy/elections-in-bassetlaw/voter-identification/">https://www.bassetlaw.gov.uk/council-and-democracy/elections-in-bassetlaw/voter-identification/</a> or telephone 01909 533 252). Deadline for applications is 25th April.

Rates for 2023-24: BDC rate likely to be 2.9% increase.

**Planning enforcement**: response from B Alderton-Sambrook to your official complaint noted: if the promised actions are carried out then this will be progress indeed! The other independent councillors also report ongoing problems with enforcement so we will be bringing it up with the Chief Exec again. Please encourage residents to report concerns regarding unauthorised development direct to planning, and issues with noise/rubbish burning etc direct to environmental health.

## **County Cllr. Taylor**

- Full Council agreed a budget increase of 4.84% for 2023/24. No cuts to front line services but county councillors' discretionary grant to be reduced from £5k to £3K per annum.
- Cllr. Taylor has received a complaint from a resident about parking issues on Chapel Lane, since the yellow lines were introduced. It was explained that the new yellow lines have made no difference to on-street parking at the junction, it is not parked up at the junction. The long-standing issue is the temporary traffic chaos near the school at school drop-off and pick-up times.
- A new Highways Manager has been appointed. A meeting could now be arranged to discuss ongoing parking issues in Harwell if thought necessary. Cllr. Troop to consult with residents in Harwell.

## 1229 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received as follows:

Cllr. Bere (work commitment)

Cllr. Topps (family commitment)

Dist. Cllr. Watson (unwell)

Resolved: to accept apologies and reasons given

## 1230 Declarations of Interest

Cllrs. Chapman and Upton (non-pecuniary interest) - Item Planning Application No. 23/00165/HSE

## 1231 | Recording of Meeting

No intentions to record the meeting were received.

1232	Approval of Minutes  The minutes of the meetings held on 6 and 20 February 2023, having been circulated, were accepted as a true and correct record.						
1233	Matters arising from the minutes/Points of Information None						
1234	Highways Matters No further updates						
1235	New Planning Applications  Reserved Matters to Outline Application 20/01484/OUT (Approval is being sought for Appearance, Layout,  Landscaping and Scale) for One Detached Dwelling Plot 7  Plot 7 Land West of Stonegate Farm Bawtry Road Everton South Yorkshire  Ref. No: 23/00014/RES  Resolved: The Parish Council concurred with the BDC Conservation Officer's comments						
	Proposed Two Storey Rear Extension and Proposed First Floor Side Extension  7 Ashfield Court Everton South Yorkshire DN10 5ES  Ref. No: 23/00165/HSE  Resolved: Comment that the proposed rear extension may be too imposing on the immediate neighbour. The Parish Council has some concerns about the overall scale of the two extensions, it was thought that the proposal would increase the size of the dwelling by two thirds which seemed disproportionate.						
1236	Planning Applications (received after agenda was printed):  None received						
1237	Planning Enforcement Update The updated live cases log had been updated and circulated prior to the meeting. A reply to the formal complaint had been received from the BDC, Head of Regeneration. The reply was detailed and included recommendations for actions on the older cases. Progress to be monitored via the live case log.						
1238	Planning Determinations/Planning Appeals None  Appeal Decisions None						
1239	Finance  a) Accounts for payment						
		Payee	Chq No.	Matter	Amount £		
		Staff	1108	Salary and expenses	795.27		
		HMRC	1109	Quarterly PAYE/NIC	144.12		
		North Notts Landscapes	1110	Cemetery maintenance and litter picking	508.80		
		Sharpe Systems	1111	WIFI costs	80.40		
		Sharpe Systems	1112	Replace lost chq no.1086	152.40		
1240	Risk Review and Asset Inspection  • The kissing gate on Chapel Lane requires either repairing or possibly replacing. It was agreed to obtain quotes for the repair of the gate at this stage. Cllr. Troop had a contact who may be interested in quoting.  • Litter picking has been carried out at various locations around the village including, A631, Eel Pool Road and Mattersey Road, via EPC's Lengthsman Scheme. The BDC Cleansing Team has been observed litter						

picking in other parishes. It was agreed that the Parish Council would organise a community litter pick later in the year.

• As well as litter and parking problems at Harwell there were ongoing issues with quad bikes and bikes at Barrow Hills and adjacent fields. Agreed to write to the Thornely Taylor about the issues in order to seek solutions to alleviate them.

## 1241 | Cemetery Matters

#### **Proposed Cemetery Extension**

Cllr. Wiles confirmed that there was a degree of flexibility in terms of when CIL monies could be drawn down. Provisional cost estimates for the new cemetery had been calculated. It was envisaged that the CIL money would not be required immediately. Still await outcomes of the T1, T2 and T3 risk assessments. In the long-term there may be a possible shortfall in funding depending of the cost of highways/pavement work.

It was agreed that the Parish Council would enlist the services of a professional land valuer if it reaches the stage of purchasing the land.

### Friends of the Mattersey Road Cemetery

- The proposed wording for the information sign for the cemetery gate has now been drafted up and a
  quote for supply and installation will be sought. It was noted that the cemetery gates require some
  maintenance work
- Mr Borrowdale has found some old photos of the war memorial showing the original four spheres.
   Quotes to reinstate them were between £300-£500. Cllr. Wiles is looking into a war memorial grant from the War Graves Commission to cover the work.
- A rolling programme of monument/grave safety is ongoing.

### 1242 | Councillor Updates

### Metcalfe Trust

Cllr. Spink reported as follows:

- Planned maintenance work has been brought forward due to unspent funds from this year's budget.
- Planning application for the village hub yet to be submitted
- The Trust has received the offer of funding of £2K from the Parish Council towards the coronation event and commemorative bench.

## Metcalfe Recreation Committee

Nothing to report, meeting planned for the end of the month.

## Crime and Policing

Councillors expressed disappointment at the loss of the police priority setting meetings.

The Police and Crime Commissioner Caroline Henry is hosting an online meeting on Wednesday 22 March from 5:45 to 6:30 to speak with and listen to parish councils from Bassetlaw. Cllr. Mahoney has registered to join the online meeting.

Cllr. Troop reported that a telehandler had recently been stolen. Again, ongoing problems with quad bikes on lanes. It was agreed to make a formal request to the Public Rights of Way Officer to install a gate at Stonehill Lane. It was suggested that a meeting be arranged to discuss these issues. Cllr. Wiles to progress.

## New Website Update

Cllr. Upton gave an update of the development of the new website. The Clerk, Cllrs Upton and Wiles to be administrators of the website. Other groups could have limited access to areas of the website if desired.

# 1243 Local Elections

The Clerk gave an overview of the arrangements for the local council elections. The deadline for the submission of councillor nomination papers is 4.00pm on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2023. These must be delivered by hand to Bassetlaw District Council.

1244	Correspondence (For information only)  NALC – Civility and Respect Newsletter. The Clerk confirmed that the Parish Council has now signed the Civility and Respect pledge.			
1245	<ul> <li>Cllr. Wiles reported that a meeting has been arranged with H Pickup, Land Agent to discuss the land tenancy agreement and possible rent review.</li> <li>It was proposed to arrange a meeting in June to consider reviewing the Neighbourhood Plan. Will Wilson from Bassetlaw District Council to be invited along to advise, as well as members of the original steering group.</li> </ul>			

1246	Date and time of the next Meeting
	It was agreed that the next meeting of the Parish Council would take place on Monday 3 April 2023 at 7.15pm in the Village Hall.
	The Chairman closed the Meeting at 9.01 pm

Signed
S Wiles, Chair
Date