

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE BEONNA ON MONDAY 5th AUGUST 2024 at 7.00 pm.

PRESENT:

Parish Councillors K Pinner (Chairman), R Bell, G Gostelow, J Grant and S Holland
Boston Borough Councillor P Bedford and D Broughton
Mrs J Barnes (Clerk)

- 1 **APOLOGIES** were received from Lincolnshire County Councillor, P Skinner who had sent a report.
- 2 **MINUTES**
The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 10th June 2024 having been previously circulated were approved and signed by the Chairman.
- 3 **MATTERS ARISING**
 - 3.1 **RAF Coningsby Heritage Centre** - The clerk stated that the research on the WW2 crash and the crew was now ready for display, but the contact Andrew Copley was away on deployment at present.
 - 3.2 **Outer Dowsing Offshore Wind Update** - Nothing further received.
- 4 **NO DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
- 5 **PLANNING**
 - 5.1 B/24/0218 - The application for a Certificate of Lawfulness to confirm that a material commencement took place with the statutory time limit under Condition 1 of approval B/07/0559 at Seas End Farm, Sea End Road for Mr J Cheer had been granted.
 - 5.2 B/24/0243 - The application under Schedule 2, Part 14, Class 1 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 to determine if prior approval is required for a proposed roof mounted Solar Photovoltaics (PV) equipment (Total capacity 123.20Wp) at Bell Brothers Nurseries, Lowfields, Benington was discussed between meetings with no objections, noting that Councillor had declared an interest as the applicant.
 - 5.3 B/24/0250 - The application for proposed replacement window on first floor from elevation and ground floor rear elevation at 4 Beed House, Main Road, Benington for the Porrill & Cowell Trust was discussed between meetings with no objections.
 - 5.4 B/24/0305 - The application for notification and consultation from the Planning Inspectorate for the project ENO210003 for an order granting development consent for the Eastern Green Link 3 and Eastern Green Link (the proposed development) at Eastern Green Link 3 and Eastern Green Link4 was discussed with no objections.
- 6 **PARISH MATTERS**
 - 6.1¹ **Highways** - Lincolnshire County Council had requested any comments regarding the extension to the 30mph on Davids Lane.
 - 6.1² Mention was made of the HGV sign at the top of Hall Lane which had been knocked down, and a bend sign on the A52.

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- 6.2 **Parish Agreement for Grass Cutting** - Councillor Pinner had spoken with Lincolnshire County Council with regard to the cutting areas. They had stated that next year 2024/2025, would result in all areas being taking over or not at all. It was agreed not to take this matter further.
- 6.3¹ **Litter Picker** - Councillor Pinner stated he was trying to contact the applicant.
- 6.3² **Clean-up Date** - It was agreed to hold in late October, awaiting the date from Boston Borough Council. Councillor Broughton stated he would let the Clerk know as soon as possible.
- 6.4 **LALC Conference and Web Report** - The Clerk gave a comprehensive report which included the Armed Forces Covenant, Flood Risk and Health & Safety together with the networking done with other clerks and councillors. She had also visited several stands which were on display. The Clerk stated that she had a long discussion with Pete Lanford (the LALC webmaster) which was helpful regarding our website.

Mrs Barnes was thanked for her report, and it was agreed that several points raised would be dealt with prior to and at the next meeting, Risk Assessment, Building insurance, Council Documents, Sub-contractors risk assessment and inspection of the Children's Play Area, together with the responsibilities of the Councillors.

7 CORRESPONDENCE

- 7.1 Numerous emails including those from Boston Borough Council, Lincolnshire County Council, Lincolnshire Police and LALC, had been forwarded to all councillors.
- 7.2 Clerks and Councils Direct - The July issue was handed to Councillor Pinner.

8 FINANCE

- 8.1 Annual Audit - The clerk reported that the external auditors had now logged the notification of exempt status for the year ended 31st March 2024.
- 8.2 Financial Regulations - Councillor Gostelow proposed, Councillor Pinner seconded and it was unanimously agreed to adopt the Financial Regulations as handed out at the previous meeting. These would be placed on the website.
- 8.3 The clerk presented the up-to-date accounts, showing that a Blackmore's Account had been authorised by the Chairman, for £2,246.51 with VAT of £374.42.
- 8.4 The following payments were authorised

| | Amount | VAT | Payment Method |
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| Hire of Beonna (awaiting invoice) | £36.00 | £6.00 | |
| J Barnes - conference expenses | £200.00 | | BACS |
| LALC - conference (awaiting invoice) | £48.00 | £8.00 | |

9 NEXT MEETING

- 9.1 The next meeting was arranged for 9th September 2024, at the Beonna at 7.00 pm.

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10 FURTHER BUSINESS

- 10.1 It as noted that the Defibrillator in the Parish (originally donated) required new pads. Councillor Pinner to make enquiries. It was agreed that this should be the Parish Council responsibility and be added to the Asset Register.
- 10.2 Mention was made of the Heritage Weekend at The Beonna on the 13th and 14th September.
- 10.3 Councillor Grant had purchased a large copy of an old map of Benington. The possibility of having it framed and were would it be kept would be discussed further.

There being no further business the Chairman thanked those in attendance and closed the meeting at 7.55 pm,

Signed:

(Chairman)

9th September 2024