



Minutes of the Meeting held at Earls Barton Primary School on Monday 10 May 2021

Present: Cllrs J Bond, G Broadhead, B Chapman, N Chapman, S Dodds, S Glover, V Gould, P Hadman, S Hiscock, W Mills, P Morrall, M Walters, C Wells.

059/21 Election of Chair

Following a vote, Cllr Morrall was elected as Chair and signed the Acceptance of Office.

060/21 Election of Vice Chair

Following a vote, Cllr Mills was elected as Vice Chair.

061/21 Election of Committees

The members of each committee were reviewed. The following committees were duly elected: Allotment Committee, Events Committee, Finance Committee, Grounds Maintenance Committee, Personnel Committee, Sand and Gravel Committee, Social/Housing/Planning Committee, Sports Development Committee, Strategic Planning Committee, Environmental Strategy Sub-Committee, Youth Affairs Committee

062/21 Review of Policies

Following a vote, it was resolved to approve the following policies: Model Standing Orders, Financial Regulation, Financial Reserves Policy and Code of Conduct for Members.

063/21 Review of Terms of Reference

Following a vote, it was resolved to approve the following Terms of Reference: Sports Development Committee and Sports & Leisure Project Management Team (working party).

064/21 General Power of Competence

Following a vote, it was resolved to adopt the General Power of Competence.

065/21 Public Speaking Time

No members of the public addressed the parish council.

066/21 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from new North Northamptonshire Councillors for Earls Barton.

067/21 Declarations of Pecuniary Interest

No declarations of pecuniary interest were made.

068/21 Minutes of the Meeting of 12 April 2021

It was resolved to adopt the minutes as a correct record and the decisions therein were duly ratified.

069/21 Accounts

It was resolved to pay the following accounts:

	Chq no	Payee	Details	£
025	5058	Total Gas & Power Ltd	EB Library – Utilities	104.04
026	5059	E-on	¼ Street Lighting	826.50
027	5060	Npower	EB Library – Electricity	262.02
028	5061	Knights PLC	Pioneer Lease – Legal Costs	1110.00
029	Sports Fund	Midland Marquees & Leisure	Sports Development – Marquee	2220.00

030	B/Transfer	Brown & Co	½ Pioneer Sports Field Rent	625.00
031	B/Transfer	Rialtas Business Solutions	Accounts Package and Support	148.80
032	300001	EBPC – Skipton Building Soc.	Transfer to Sports Fund	1500.00
033	300002	The Help Scheme	Grant	500.00
034	300004	EB Youth Club	Grant – Insurance	1300.00
035	300003	EB Bowls & Tennis Club	Grant	8500.00
036	Sports Fund	CS2 Ltd	Sports Dev – Project Manager Fees	2400.00
037	B/Transfer	North Northants Council	Sports Dev – Planning Fee	58.00
038-40	B/Transfer/ 30005	Salary Costs	Clerk/Tax&NI/Pension	2737.78
041	B/Transfer	Viking	Stationery	99.80
042	B/Transfer	Viking	Stationery	20.84

070/21 Planning

(a) Planning Applications Received:

NW/21/00054/FUL – single storey front extension – 14 Milbury – planning appeal

NW/21/00224/FUL – single storey wrap-around extension to front, site and rear – amended description – 7 Compton Way

NW/21/00297/FUL – 2-storey rear extension. Insertion of a ground floor bifold door and blocking up of window (currently serving lounge) in rear elevation – 9 Dowthorpe Hill

NW/21/00309/FUL – proposed new vehicular access for domestic and commercial vehicles – 141 Northampton Rd.

NW/21/00330/FUL – change of use of land to residential caravan site to provide 9 pitches together with operations/provision of roadway, hardstanding, services, LPG gas tanks and means of enclosure (extension of existing Castle Ashby Park) – land to rear of 323 Grendon Road.

NW/21/00332/FUL – proposed single storey side and rear extensions to replace existing garage and conservatory – 12 Dowthorpe Hill

NW/21/00366/FUL – detached triple garage/plant room/kitchen and WC – 143 Doddington Rd.

Following discussion, it was resolved to object to application NW/21/00330/FUL as it contravenes planning policies 11 and 13 of the Joint Core Strategy and EB.GD2 and EB.D1 of the Earls Barton Neighbourhood Plan. No comments were required on the other application received.

071/21 Police/Community Safety

- (a) Crime Figures and Report – the Clerk advised that 24 crimes were reported in March 2021. It was also reported that the first Northants CALC meeting of Police Liaison Representatives has taken place. It was resolved to invite the new Sergeant of Wellingborough Rural to attend a meeting of EBPC.

072/21 Sports and Leisure Development

- (a) The Grange Sports Development Update – following discussion, it was resolved to appoint Stroxtan and Partners as architects for the project with 8 in favour and 5 members abstaining. Thanks will be sent to Sursham Tomkins for their presentation. It was also resolved to delegate powers to the Sports Development Committee to approve further spending on the project to a limit of £50,000.00.
- (b) Pioneer Sports Field – it was resolved to engage Wilson Browne Solicitors to register the lease for Pioneer Sports Field with the land registry.

073/21 Highways and Maintenance

- (a) Skate Park – the Clerk advised that the expected completion date for the skate park is 21st May 2021.
- (b) Trees on Recreation Field – Following an email from a local resident raising concerns, it was noted that inspections are carried out on the trees in line with insurance recommendations and work carried out as recommended in the inspection. Work has recently been carried out on the trees in the Rec. The Clerk will ask the contractor that carried out the inspection to inspect the work to ensure that it has been carried out to specification.
- (c) West Street – it was noted that West Street will be closed for maintenance work from 10th May for three days.
- (d) Allotment – the Clerk advised that pest control measures relating to rabbits are ongoing.

- (e) Northampton Road – NNC Highways has confirmed that EBPC can carry out work to reduce the hedgerow to deter fly-tipping. The Clerk will get a quote and report back.
- (f) Harcourt Square/High Street Zebra Crossing – safety signs have been erected in Harcourt Square and resurfacing work and work to the kerb line at the entrance will be carried out by Highways. The zebra crossing on High Street is also to be resurfaced. It was noted that EBPC will work with Highways to look into solutions relating to parking in the village centre.

074/21 Park Street Car Park

The public and press were excluded from the meeting during consideration of this item in accordance with section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information of the description shown in Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

The Clerk provided an update on the current position.

Date of Next Meeting

Monday 14 June 2021 – 7.15pm

It should be noted that these minutes are subject to the approval of Earls Barton Parish Council

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