

Earith Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council E-Meeting Held on Thursday 4th June 2020 by Zoom

Present – Councillors

Mr Steve Edwards (Chairman)
Mrs Paula Brown
Mr Jeff Nicholls
Mrs Marilyn Russell

Miss Ann Brennan (Vice Chairman)
Mrs Louise Reay
Ms Hazel Lambert
Mr Allan Till

DC Mr Jon Neish

0 members of the public

Mandy Pink – Clerk

Due to the Covid19 Government Lockdown measures the June Parish Council meeting was held via a video conferencing link, the Agenda was published on the Parish Council Website and emailed to the 62-member Newsletter Subscriber List. This means that at least 73 Households were notified of the Parish Council E-Meeting. Approximately 10% of the Village of Earith.

Item 31 Apologies for absence – Mr Keith Hudson, Mr Peter Jackson, Mr Alan Spackman, CC Mr Steve Criswell

Open Meeting

Item 32 Open Forum – The Clerk reported that she had been notified of three village matters. A number of conifers have been dumped at the back of no 1 Hereward and the Clerk has reported this as fly tipping. A resident is still in a long drawn out problem with the District Council concerning damage caused by trees in Greenfields. A new allotment tenant has requested permission to install a small shed on plot no8A. The Council agreed that a shed on this plot would be OK.

Item 33 Ecops Report – The Clerk reported that a number of valuable items have been removed from the River and the Police are asking residents if they have lost any items due to burglaries in the area. The items can be viewed on the Police website.

Item 34 County Council and District Council Reports

County Council emailed report noted

DC Mr Jon Neish confirmed that the District Council will once again take on the grass cutting areas in the Village that had been dropped in this current season. He is unsure exactly when they will be picking these areas up again. The Parish will continue to look after these areas until the District once again take over.

(Close open Meeting)

(Open closed section of Meeting)

Item 35 Code of Conduct – Dispensation received, and decisions granted – None

Item 36 Councillors declaration of interest – The Chairman drew the Councillors attention to the legal requirement that all interests should be declared following the Code of Conduct Localism Act 2011 c7. s27(3)(b). – None

Item 37 To agree minutes of Parish Council meeting held on – 6th May 2020

Mr Jeff Nicholls proposed, and Ms Hazel Lambert seconded that the minutes are agreed and should be signed when Full Council resumes.

Resolved - All in favour.

Item 38 Planning – None

Item 39 Car Parking on the pavements on the High Street – Bluntisham End – Resident request for Council help – The Clerk informed the Council that a resident was concerned with vehicles being parked on the pavement and driveways of homes on the High Street. The Clerk advised the resident to contact the Police about this.

Vice Chairman Brennan also reported that she had received a complaint by a resident that a car was parked on the pavement on the corner of Edwards Walk. She also informed the resident to contact the Police about this matter.

The Parish Council do not have any authority to address these issues. Parking problems are a Police matter and need to be reported to them as the incident happens so that they can contact the vehicle owners and ask them to remove the offending vehicle.

Item 40 Internal Auditor Report to be noted – Noted by Council – Cllr Lambert conveyed her thanks to the Clerk for her excellent work with the Auditor and for her accurate and concise record keeping. The Council agreed and thanked the Clerk for her hard work and dedication to the Council and the Village of Earith.

Item 41 Finance – a) Payments to sign off
b) Online Salary payments for June to be made as standard
c) Chairman to note emailed bank statement. To be signed when Full Council resumes

Payee	Description		£	Chq	Powers
Mrs K M Pink	Clerks Wages 65 hrs. @ £17.57	1142.05			LGHA1989, s.7
	Clerks Expenses	25.00			LGA 1963, s.5
	Mobile Phone monthly rental not taxable	12.00			LGHA1989, s.7
	Total Less Tax		900.64	online	
Mrs C Shook	Cleaner hours 5 hrs @ £10.16	50.80			LGA1972, s.133
	Booking Clerk 2.5hrs @ £10.16	25.40			LGHA 1989, s.7
	Total Less Tax		76.20	online	
Mrs J Law	Caretaker May		100.00	online	LGA 1972, s.133
Inland Revenue	PAYE May 2020		338.45	online	LGA1972, s.112-119
Mr M S Pink	Parish Handyman		150.00	online	LGA1953, s.4
MSP Services	Grass Cutting		540.00	online	OSA 1906, s.10
Jones and Son	Bird Spikes		54.18	dcard	OSA 1906, s.10
Hunts DC	Commercial Waste Collection Rec		20.15	DD	Litter Act 1983, ss.5,6
Hunts DC	Commercial waste collection V Hall		10.08	DD	Litter Act 1983, ss.5,6
Microsoft	Office 365 monthly cost		5.99	DD	LGHA 1972, s.266
CNG	Village Hall Gas		117.25	DD	LGHA 1972, s.133
SSE	Village Hall Electricity		93.10	DD	LGHA 1972, s.133
	Total Spend for May 2020		£2,406.04		

a) The Clerk requested that two new invoices could be authorised for payment now and then added to the payment list for July. One invoice for CAPALC for £50 to cover a training session for the Chairman and the other invoice from the IA for £300.

Ms Hazel Lambert proposed, and Mr Jeff Nicholls seconded that the payments should be signed off. This includes the two invoices stated above.

Resolved – All in favour

b) Online salary payments for June – Mr Jeff Nicholls proposed, and Mrs Paula Brown seconded that the payments should be made. Resolved – All in favour

c) Bank statement noted and to be signed when Full Council resumes

Item 42 Village Item to be Noted – Closure of the Day Centre – Letter sent thanking Mrs Broughton

Cllr Russell asked the Clerk to provide an update on the Sale of the River Island and the Clerk stated that she had been in touch with the buyer and that they had asked for an adjournment in proceedings while the Country was currently in lock down. The Sale will proceed again when lock down measures have been eased.

Mrs Mandy Pink – Clerk 07717 207 533
These minutes are unadopted

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Meeting closed at 8.01pm

Meeting Dates 2020
2nd July

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Date of Notice – 13th June 2020